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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Board of Directors

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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

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SUBJECT: California Integrated Waste Management Act

RECOMMENDATION

CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Staff to provide an update on the status of activities relevant to the Act.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

WASTE REDUCTION, RECYCLING, HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAMS UPDATE

<u>Hazardous Waste Collections</u> – Upper Valley Waste Management Agency's (UVWMA) hazardous waste (HW) collections contractor, Clean Harbors, has completed both the fall and spring collection events for 2018-19. It accepted HW from small businesses and local households that subscribe to UVDS collection services or use Clover Flat Landfill. Clean Harbors billed \$14,937.55 for the October collection event in Calistoga.

The St Helena HW collection event was in April 2019. Staff received the event invoice on June 10, 2019 and requested corrections on the invoice due to billing errors on June 18, 2019. Staff have not received a corrected invoice from Clean Harbors.

Staff has tentatively set dates for the next HW collection event at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga - October 25 (business) and October 26 (residential).

The used oil and antifreeze collection tanks in Yountville as well as the used oil collection tank in St Helena were removed in June. Staff will report to the board on the cost at a future meeting.

<u>Sharps and Medications Disposal</u> – Up-valley residents may drop-off sharps at Ole Health offices at 1222 Pine St. Suite A, in St. Helena or 911 Washington St. in Calistoga during regular business hours. Clean Harbors accepts medications and sharps at up-valley hazardous waste collection events. Clover Flat Landfill accepts sharps at no charge during regular business hours. Vasconi's Pharmacy in St Helena, independently installed a medication collection bin; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted, no liquids. A medication collection bin is

located at both the St. Helena and Calistoga Police Department; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted. Napa County Sheriff provides staff to empty the bin and funds the disposal costs for the medications at the law enforcement locations.

Up valley residents can pick up a free sharps container at; Silverado Pharmacy in Calistoga, Ole Health in St. Helena and Calistoga, Vasconi's Pharmacy in St. Helena, Smiths Pharmacy in St. Helena and the PHHWCF in south Napa County.

SB 212 requires pharmaceutical companies to pay for a statewide medication and sharps take back program. Pet medications and over the counter medications along with prescription medications would be covered. A minimum of five collection bins per county or one for every 50,000 people, whichever is more, would be required. Sharps collection will be provided as a mail back program. SB 212 was signed into law by Governor Brown in September 2018. CalRecycle is currently conducting informal rulemaking workshops regarding SB 212.

<u>Paint Recycling</u> – The paint industry, working through its affiliated non-profit group, "PaintCare," handles and covers all costs of shipment and disposal of paints and other coatings dropped-off by the public at up-valley hazardous waste events and at Clover Flat Landfill. Up-valley residents and businesses can drop-off paints and coatings at these collection sites at no charge. PaintCare lists all acceptable paints and coatings on its website: www.paintcare.org.

<u>Mattress Recycling</u> – The nonprofit Mattress Recycling Council launched their mattress recycling program, Bye Bye Mattress, in California in January 2016. The program uses a recycling fee collected on each mattress and box spring sold; fees pay for the transportation and recycling of the mattresses. Clover Flat Landfill is now accepting mattresses for free through the Bye Bye Mattress program. More information can be found at www.byebyemattress.com.

<u>Beverage Container Recycling Program</u> – UVWMA applies as a regional agency for payments that CalRecycle issues for beverage container recycling programs. Staff uses the \$25,000 of funds for beverage container recycling and litter reduction activities. Examples include the purchase of recycling bins for public buildings, community parks, main streets, businesses, schools and public gathering areas, recycling at public and private events, and related publicity and education. UVWMA has received the payment for the FY 19/20 cycle.

<u>CalRecycle</u> – CalRecycle Local Assistance and Market Development (LAMD) staff conducted a site visit with UVWMA staff on May 22, 2019. This was part of CalRecycle's biannual review of our implementation of waste diversion programs. CalRecycle reviewed up valley compliance with CalGreen as well as AB 1826 and AB 341 compliance. UVWMA staff brought CalRecycle staff to the following commercial locations for review of recycling and composting programs: The Estate in Yountville, Arroyo Grande Villas in Yountville, Prisoner Winery in St Helena, Auberge du Soleil in Rutherford and St Helena Hospital in Deer Park.

Recycling Outreach and Activities – UVWMA staff are continuing to work on AB 1826 outreach and compliance. Staff have received a list of businesses who meet the current threshold requiring AB 1826 compliance from Upper Valley Disposal service. UVWMA staff will be replacing the out of date recycling signs on the public recycling bins in Yountville in the new fiscal year.

Home Composting Workshops – Workshop co-sponsors, UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa, and Napa County Master Gardeners have scheduled 2019 workshop dates. New this year, all compost workshops will cover both backyard hot composting and worm composting. Attendees can receive either a free worm compost bin or purchase a significantly discounted backyard compost bin. The up valley compost workshop was held on March 16 in St Helena, at the Up Valley campus of Napa Valley College. There were 37 attendees, an increase from the 2018 workshop at which there were 13 attendees. Residents can sign up for workshops at www.compost.naparecycles.org An additional backyard hot composting and worm composting workshop was

held June 2 in Deer Park. There were 15 attendees.

Napa County Green Business Program – County staff offers a Green Business certification to businesses that meet high environmental standards for reduced energy use, water conservation, pollution prevention, recycling and waste reduction. UVWMA is assisting by providing interior recycling containers and signage for offices, wine production, food service, and picnic areas. UVDS is providing waste service level audits and a set of recycling and composting collection services. 14 up valley wineries and three up valley business were certified in FY 2017-18. 22 up valley wineries and two businesses have been certified so far in FY 2018-19.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

None.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Steven Lederer