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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Directors
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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

Hazardous Waste Collections – Upper Valley Waste Management Agency’s (UVWMA) hazardous waste (HW) collections contractor, Clean Harbors, has completed both the fall and spring collection events for 2017-18. It accepted HW from small businesses and local households that subscribe to UVDS collection services or use Clover Flat Landfill. Clean Harbors billed \$11,969.19 for the November collection event in Calistoga and \$12,325.24 for the spring event in St. Helena; a total fiscal year cost of \$24,294.43. Staff has set dates for the next HW collection event at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga; October 26 (business) and October 27 (residential).

Sharps and Medications Disposal – 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 the St. Helena Police Department; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted, no liquids.

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.

Paint Recycling – 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, at the “recycle only” hazardous waste collection station in Yountville, 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.

Mattress Recycling – 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.

Beverage Container Recycling Program – 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 staff have applied for the next regional application for beverage container recycling funds, the application has been recommended for payment by CalRecycle staff.

CalRecycle - CalRecycle held a workshop on June 4, 2018 titled “Recycling Globally: California’s Role in Adapting to a New Market Climate”. The purpose of the workshop was to share information regarding changes in international recycling markets, hear how those changes are affecting recycling efforts in California, and discuss potential long-term solutions. A recording of the workshop is available online: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/broadcast/video/vodplayer/?id=91>

Solid Waste Relevant Legislation – UVWMA staff sent a letter in support of SB 212 in June. SB 212 would require pharmaceutical companies to pay for a statewide medications 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. A copy of the letter of support is included as Attachment A – SB 212 Support Letter.

CalRecycle released a second draft of the SB 1383 rulemaking text in May. An outline of the changes is included as Attachment B – Policy Changes to SB 1383 Draft Regulatory Text.

Recycling Outreach and Activities – Plastic bags are no longer accepted in the recycling stream. UVWMA staff will provide this message at all in person outreach and will be working to update the various recycling signs and flyers that are provided as part of the business assistance program.

UVWMA staff conducted community outreach at the St. Helena and Calistoga farmers markets in June. UVWMA staff presented to two sessions of CIA students on recycling in June. A recycling presentation is scheduled for a women’s group in Calistoga, the presentation will be provided in both English and Spanish. UVWMA staff are coordinating with the Upper Valley Campus in St Helena to host an additional worm composting workshop in the fall.

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. 11 up valley wineries and two up valley businesses were certified in FY 2016-17, 14 up valley wineries and two up valley businesses have been certified so far in FY 2017-18.

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

A . Attachment A – SB 212 Support Letter

B . Attachment B – Policy Changes to SB 1383 Draft Regulatory Text

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Alice Ramirez