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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 2015-16. It accepted HW from small businesses and local households that subscribe to UVDRS collection services or use Clover Flat Landfill. Staff has set dates for the next HW collection event at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga; November 4 (business) and November 5 (residential).

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.byebymattress.com.

Beverage Container Recycling Program – UVWMA creates a funding pool each year with payments that CalRecycle issues to the four UVWMA member agencies. Staff uses the \$25,000 of funds for beverage container and litter

reduction activities, including purchase of recycling bins for public buildings, community parks, main streets, businesses, schoolyards and public gathering areas, recycling at public and private events, and related publicity and education. The funds represent about 70% of all funding UVWMA budgets for waste reduction, recycling, and litter prevention.

UVWMA staff expended remaining funds for 2015-16 on providing recycling bins/signs at St. Helena Primary School, providing recycling signs to Napa County Fairgrounds and providing recycling bins/signs to up valley green wineries. Staff has completed the application for the Beverage Container Recycling program for 2016-17, the request for funding has been recommended for payment by CalRecycle staff. UVWMA staff have solicited suggestions for beverage container recycling program projects for the new fiscal year from UVWMA member jurisdictions.

Napa County Green Business Program – The County has expanded its efforts to certify local businesses and wineries through its Green Business Program. County staff offers certification to businesses that meet high environmental standards for reduced energy use, water conservation, recycling and waste reduction, and pollution prevention. Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA) is assisting by providing recycling containers and signage for offices, wine production, food service, and picnic areas. Upper Valley Disposal and Recycling Service is providing waste service level audits and a set of recycling and composting collection services.

Sharps and Medications Disposal – Up-valley residents may drop-off sharps and old or unwanted medications that are not controlled substances at local 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, at 1381 Main St. in St Helena, recently installed a medication collection bin, staff are working with pharmacy staff on promoting the pharmacy as a location for old or unwanted medications. UVWMA will be assisting Vasconi's in the purchase of the mail back containers as UVWMA staff's advertising efforts will likely increase then number of drop offs to the medication collection bin.

Home Composting Workshops – Workshop co-sponsors, UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa, and Napa County Master Gardeners will begin planning 2017 workshops during the winter of 2016/17.

Special Recycling Events – UVDS has scheduled a drip hose recycling event for Friday November 4, at the Upper Valley Compost and Recycling Yard. The Napa Agricultural Commissioner's Office's will hold a pesticide container recycling event in the Fall.

Coastal Cleanup Day – Coastal Cleanup Day is September 17 9am – 12pm. One cleanup site is in St. Helena, and four are in Calistoga. Visit <http://naparcd.org/coastal-clean-up-day/> for more information.

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