



Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager
Upper Valley Waste Management Agency
REPORT BY: Steven Lederer, DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL MGT, 259-8228
SUBJECT: Manager's Report

RECOMMENDATION

MANAGER'S REPORT

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Manager to provide an update on the status of current activities.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Manager to provide an update on the status of current activities.

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

Current Issues

Rate Review and Analysis

Good progress has been made in discussion of simplifying the rate structure. As expected, in opening discussion on certain issues, other issues have also become open for discussion. The Consultant's report of progress to

date is attached. We are essentially down to 3 issues, three relating to cost indexing and one relating to how the collection company should be reimbursed for landfill expenses. Significantly, the company has proposed (and staff is supportive) of the idea of extending the company's contracts if a mutually agreeable rate structure can be agreed upon.

Staff requests that the Board provide any informal feedback they may have on the status of the negotiations, and then intends to bring back either a finalized proposal, or the final areas of disagreement, for the Board to discuss at its next meeting.

Ecological Preserve

Multiple departments and agencies met last month to discuss possible actions which will reduce the "nuisance" issues associated with the preserve. Minutes of the meeting are attached. UVA and UVDS staff will continue to work with this team in attempting to improve the public experience at this location, however the law enforcement activities at the site will need to be resolved before any real improvement can take place.

Large Venue Recycling

At the August meeting the Board asked some questions regarding the Large Venue Grant status report (see pages 37, 38 of last meeting's packet). The Manager will update the Board on: 1) Service providers at the Napa Valley Expo; 2) Color coding of cans used at the Napa County Fairgrounds (Calistoga); 3) Public recycling containers in St. Helena.

Annual Member Report

Summary financial reports for each jurisdiction are attached. Each jurisdiction is approaching its \$50,000.00 limit for these services. If a contract extension is considered by the Board, extension of these services may need to be discussed.

Battery Grant

A \$7,000 household hazardous waste grant was awarded to Upper Valley Waste Management Agency by the California Integrated Waste Management Agency at their August 8th meeting. A congratulatory letter and grant agreement will be arriving soon.

Department of Conservation Grant

The County has received its \$10,000 share of the annual DOC grant and placed it in the UVA account. The Agency has requested the other three jurisdictions likewise forward their \$5,000 shares to the Agency for proper accounting of these jointly controlled funds.

Agricultural Chemical Container Recycling Event

There will be a two day agricultural chemical container recycling event November 7, 2006 from 8 AM to 3 PM and November 8, 2006 from 9 AM to 12 Noon at the Napa County Corporation Yard, 7292 Silverado Trail, Yountville. The event is sponsored by the Napa County Farm Bureau and Napa Valley Vintners, and facilitated by the Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office. No containers larger than 35 gallons will be accepted.

Correspondence

Recent correspondence of interest to the Board is attached for information.

Ongoing Programs

Compost Workshops

There are two remaining workshops planned for this calendar year. Unfortunately, the planned Calistoga workshop did not garner enough attendees. This workshop was canceled, with the few people who signed up

encouraged to attend the upcoming workshop in Napa.

Waste Collection Events

The next Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event is October 21 in Calistoga. The next drip hose recycling event is October 27.

Waste Tire Amnesty Program

CFL will be accepting waste tires in the month of November due to the County's Local Enforcement Agency's grant which they received for the second year in a row. Advertising will go out in October.

Universal Waste Recycling

Nothing new to report.

Recycling Enclosures

Staff will work with the City of Napa and their consultant to assist them with developing an ordinance. Staff will be involved with this process in order to provide for consistency across the County. More information will be provided when it is available.

Financial Reports

The August financial reports are attached.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Rate Methodology Memorandum
- B . Ecological Preserve Minutes
- C . Franchise Services Accounts Summary
- D . Garbage Trucks E-mail
- E . August Financial Report

Recommendation: Approve
Reviewed By: Steven Lederer