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# Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

TO:Board of DirectorsFROM:Jill Pahl - Manager<br/>Upper Valley Waste Management AgencyREPORT BY:Belinda Yamate, Secretary, 253-4471SUBJECT:Large Venue Recycling.

## RECOMMENDATION

#### LARGE VENUE RECYCLING.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM: Staff to provide an update on recent legislation concerning large venue recycling.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff to discuss the status of the large venue recycling grant and contingency plans if the grant is not approved.

#### 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

The Department of Conservation grant application was included in the June 20 meeting packet. Announcement of grant awards is scheduled for September 9, 2005. If the grant is not awarded we will still need to take steps to comply with a new law mandating waste reduction programs at large venues.

On October 29, 2004, Governor Schwarzenegger signed AB 2176 (Montanez, Chapter 879, Statutes of 2004) regarding waste reduction at large venues and events. The new law requires the largest venue facilities and events (as defined) in each city and county to begin planning for solid waste reduction, and annually report the progress of their recycling and waste reduction programs to their local government.

The law also directs the California Integrated Waste Management Board to provide guidance and assistance to venues and local governments in meeting their obligations. The Board will be providing information and assistance about AB 2176 to venues, events, and local governments.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

Recommendation: Approve Reviewed By: Jill Pahl