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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 – The fall hazardous waste (HW) collection event is scheduled for November 5 (business) and 6 (residential). The event will be held at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga. Upper Valley Waste Management Agency's (UVWMA) HW collections contractor, Clean Earth, will collect and dispose of HW materials collected. Businesses will schedule appointments and pay disposal costs for their materials, residents are not charged a fee. The hours for the residential event were changed for the spring event in St Helena and will remain 8am-1pm, rather than 9am-3pm. This change was due to a request from our HW contractor, our event hours are longer than other jurisdictions and were presenting challenges with their drivers meeting the various laws they must abide by.

New this year electronic waste will be collected by Upper Valley Disposal & Recycling (UVD&R) and document shredding will be provided by a third-party vendor during the hazardous waste event. The electronic waste collection and document shredding are one of the three times per year events provided by UVD&R per the new agreement. The electronic waste collection and document shredding will be for residents only, no business waste will be accepted. The max per drop off for hazardous waste remains unchanged as it is due to state law, 15 gallons or 125 pounds per vehicle. The maximum drop off for document shredding will be five banker boxes. There is no set maximum for electronic waste. There will be three stops at the event – hazardous waste, electronic waste and document shredding. Staff are currently working on logistics for the event.

Sharps and Medications Disposal – SB 212 requires pharmaceutical companies to pay for a statewide medication and sharps take back program. SB 212 was approved by the Office of Administrative Law on January 7, 2021. The

regulations are effective immediately. Manufacturers are now required to form one or more product stewardship organizations, submit plans to CalRecycle and obtain CalRecycle's approval of the proposed stewardship plan, initial program budget, etc. Stewardship plans were due to CalRecycle July 7, 2021. CalRecycle anticipates full implementation of the stewardship plans July 2, 2022.

Until the mail back stewardship plans are in place, 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 Earth accepts medications and sharps at up-valley hazardous waste collection events. Clover Flat Landfill accepts sharps at no charge during regular business hours. A medication collection bin is located at the St. Helena, Calistoga and Yountville Police Department; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted. Up valley residents can pick up a free sharps container at; Silverado Pharmacy in Calistoga, Ole Health in St. Helena and Calistoga, Smiths Pharmacy in St. Helena and the PHHWCF in south Napa County.

Napa County staff are currently coordinating countywide participation in the DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back day, which is October 23, 2021. At this time, countywide participation in this event has not been confirmed. Napa County staff will work to ensure sharps will also be collected at all locations countywide as has been done in previous years.

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 received the \$25,000 payment from CalRecycle in June 2021.

CalRecycle – UVWMA staff have completed and submitted the Electronic Annual Report, which was due August 1. UVWMA staff are currently working to complete the annual household hazardous waste collection information report, due October 1.

SB 1383 – UVWMA staff continue to prepare for SB 1383, the regulations take effect January 1, 2022. Gary Bell, UVWMA Counsel, has been working on draft MOU's between UVWMA and member jurisdictions, as well as a draft ordinance.

Napa County has issued an Edible Food Recovery Capacity Study RFQ. The study will be countywide and include UVWMA member jurisdictions. This study will complete the SB 1383 required capacity analysis and provide an implementation plan should it be determined additional capacity is required for UVWMA member jurisdictions ability to recover excess edible food.

Recycling Outreach and Activities – See Attachment A - Outreach Activities July – September for outreach activities conducted by UVWMA and UVD&R staff in the first quarter of FY 21-22.

UVD&R – In April 2021, UVWMA staff requested UVD&R draft and send a public education and outreach plan, required in section 5.13 or page 20 of the new contract that is effective July 1. The plan is in draft form and will be shared with the board at the next meeting.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:

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 - Outreach Activities July–September

Recommendation: Approve
Reviewed By: Steven Lederer