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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

<u>Hazardous Waste Collections</u> – Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA) staff has set dates for the next hazardous waste (HW) collection event at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga; October 26 (business) and October 27 (residential). UVWMA's HW collections contractor, Clean Harbors, will accept HW from small businesses and local households that subscribe to Upper Valley Disposal Service (UVDS) collection services or use Clover Flat Landfill. Businesses will pay a fee based on material type and volume of HW. Residential drop offs are free. UVWMA staff is advertising the event via; banner in downtown Calistoga, UVDS newsletter, Calistoga Tribune ad, Weekly Calistoga/St. Helena Star ad, St. Helena water bill insert, flyers to parents of students in Calistoga School District and flyers around the community.

<u>Sharps and Medications Disposal</u> – A medication collection bin was recently set up at Calistoga Police Department, non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted, no liquids. Napa County Sheriff will provide staff to empty the bin and funds the disposal costs for the medications.

The DEA Prescription Drug Take Back Day is October 27, hours are 10am-2pm. UVWMA staff is coordinating sharps collection at the events as well. Locations up valley include; Calistoga Police Department, St. Helena Police Department and Yountville Sheriff Department. DEA funds disposal costs of collected medications, UVWMA will pay disposal costs for sharps.

SB 212 would require pharmaceutical companies to pay for a statewide medication 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. SB 212 was passed in the Senate in September, the final step is signature by Governor Brown. UVWMA signed onto a letter organized by California Product Stewardship Council to Governor Brown requesting his signature on the bill. A copy of the letter is included as Attachment A – SB 212 Sign-on Support to Governor Brown.

Attachment B – SB 212 Environmental Quality Committee analysis, provides a synopsis of SB 212.

<u>Paint Recycling</u> – 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.

<u>Mattress Recycling</u> – 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.

<u>Beverage Container Recycling Program</u> – 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 has received payment for the FY 18/19 cycle. CalRecycle has moved up usual deadlines for the applications, UVWMA staff are preparing now for the next fiscal year application, it is due in December.

CalRecycle – UVWMA staff have submitted the 2017 Electronic Annual Report to CalRecycle.

Recycling Outreach and Activities – Completed and upcoming outreach activities by UVWMA staff: recycling presentation in English and Spanish to a women's group in Calistoga in June, recycling presentation to children attending Bothe nature camp in July, recycling presentation to St. Helena rotary with UVDS staff in August, community outreach at the St. Helena farmers market in August, community outreach at Fiesta en el Molino Bale in Calistoga in September, coordination of worm composting workshop at Upper Valley Campus in St Helena in September and guest on Farmers Fresh Hour on 1440 KVON in September to discuss recycling/waste reduction. UVWMA provided reusable water bottles at the Fiesta en el Molino Bale event to help with reducing waste produced at the event. The water bottles included the UVWMA logo to help with recognition of the agency with up valley residents.

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. 14 up valley wineries and three up valley business were certified in FY 2017-18. Seven up valley wineries have been certified so far in FY 2018-19.

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

- ${\rm A}$. Attachment A SB 212 Sign-on Support to Governor Brown
- ${\sf B}$. Attachment ${\sf B}-{\sf SB}$ 212 Environmental Quality Committee analysis

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Steven Lederer