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Minutes of the Rural Counties' Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors' Meeting

801 12th Street – 2nd Floor Conference Room
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 447-4806
Thursday, August 17, 2006

MEMBERS REPRESENTED

Bob Pickard, ESJPA Chair	Mariposa County
Jim McHargue, Program Manager	Amador County
Bill Mannel, Solid Waste Manager	Butte County
Steve Rodowick, Recycling Coordinator	Butte County
Lesli Daniel, Recycling Coordinator	Calaveras County
Ron Jensen, Public Works Analyst	Calaveras County
Cynthia Knapp, Program Coordinator	Calaveras County
Richard Dickson, Dep Director of Public Works	Colusa County
Jon Souza, Public Information Officer	El Dorado County
Mandy Kleykamp, Solid Waste Manager	Glenn County
William Brunet, Director of Public Works	Imperial County
Vern Moss, Supervisor	Madera County
Steve Engfer, Solid Waste and Recycling Manager	Mariposa County
Tracy Harper, Recycling Coordinator	Nevada County
Tom Hunter, Director of Public Works	Plumas County
Robert Perrault, new Director of Public Works	Plumas County
Randy Akana, General Services Manager	Siskiyou County
John Kovach, Solid Waste Fiscal Technician	Siskiyou County
Kristina Miller, Recycling Coordinator	Tehama County
Mark Lockhart, Solid Waste Director	Trinity County
Barbara Rapinac, Solid Waste Technician	Trinity County

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Mary Pitto, ESJPA Program Manager	RCRC Governmental Affairs
Stacey Miner, ESJPA Program Administrator	RCRC Governmental Affairs
Rachel Basore, ESJPA Program Assistant	RCRC Governmental Affairs
Staci Heaton, Regulatory Affairs Director	RCRC Governmental Affairs
Paul Smith, Legislative Affairs Director	RCRC Governmental Affairs
Nick Konovaloff, Legislative Analyst	RCRC Governmental Affairs
Larry Sweetser, Consultant to ESJPA	Sweetser and Associates

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Leonard Robinson, Chief Deputy Director	DTSC
Ken Stuart, Consultant	CIWMB
Jim Greco, Principal	CWA
Kyle Pogue, IWM Supervisor	CIWMB

MEMBERS NOT REPRESENTED

Alpine County	Del Norte County	Inyo County	Lassen County
Modoc County	Mono County	Sierra County	Tuolumne County

I. Call to Order / Determination of Quorum / Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. by Bob Pickard, ESJPA Chair. Roll call was taken, self-introductions were made and a quorum was established.

II. Business Matters

A. Approval of minutes from the meeting of May 18, 2006

The Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2006 meeting. The motion was made by Jon Souza, seconded by Jim McHargue. William Brunet abstained. Motion carried.

B. Adoption of Resolution Approving the Independent Auditors' Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2005.

The Chair called for a motion to approve the Auditor's Report and Financial Statements. The motion was made by Tom Hunter, seconded by Mark Lockhart. Motion carried.

III. Public Comment

Tom Hunter announced that he would be retiring from his position as Director of Plumas County Public Works. He introduced his replacement Robert (Bob) A. Perrault, Jr. Tom has been a member of the ESJPA Board of Directors since the Board's founding in 1993.

Kristina Miller, Tehama County, discussed the county's new battery collection program. Bright orange plastic zip lock bags were distributed throughout the county for residents to place their used battery into. The bags are to be placed on the mixed recycling bin and are separated from the recycling stream by the hauler. Initial feedback from the program is positive and Tehama will order additional larger bags to accommodate larger battery types and volumes.

IV. Presentation Items

- A. California Take-it-Back Partnership – Leonard Robinson, Chief Deputy Director, Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC)
- B. Illegal Dumping Task Force – Ken Stuart, Consultant, California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB)
- C. Calaveras County Hazardous Waste Program – Cynthia Knapp, Program Coordinator

V. Solid Waste/Regulatory Update

- A. Report from the CIWMB by Kyle Pogue, Supervising Integrated Waste Management Specialist – Office of Local Assistance.

Kyle reported that Alpine, Colusa, Glenn, Inyo, Madera, Mono, Trinity, and Tuolumne are the eight counties involved in 2003/2004 biennial reviews. The committee meeting will be held September 6, 2006 in the morning and Kyle will contact involved members with more details. Jurisdictions do not need to attend unless otherwise notified.

In October, Del Norte, Sierra, Siskiyou, and Tehama will undergo their biennial review. Amador is scheduled for November, Modoc and Lassen in December, and Plumas, Imperial, and Calaveras will be after the first of the year. Butte, El Dorado, Nevada, and Mariposa are not a part of this review.

The CIWMB is continuing its California Take It Back campaign as an effort to get buy-in from retailers to take back materials from consumers.

Kyle urged members to ensure that the collectors they use are approved otherwise, future eligibility for collector revocations could be called into question.

The CIWMB is discussing a reorganization of the board by splitting the enforcement and assistance areas. Updates will follow as the discussion proceeds.

Upcoming Events:
September 13, 2006 – Multi-Family Workshop

- B. Post Closure and Financial Assurances – Industry’s Concept for the Establishment of a New California Landfill Trust Fund by Larry Sweetser, ESJPA Consultant.

Larry discussed “Post-Post Closure” measures and the proposed California Landfill Trust Fund bill which would provide funding for those facilities that fail to meet their long-term funding obligations.

It has been proposed to raise the \$1.40 tip fee, but Larry feels there is no benefit to raise it. The Board has decided to watch this issue.

C. Findings of the State Water Resources Control Board's Storm Water Panel of Experts Regarding the Feasibility of Establishing Numeric Effluent Limits by Larry Sweetser

Larry noted that in establishing numerical limits the State Water Resources Control Board is softening on the issue of background levels. He reminded the Board of the September 1 comment deadline for the report and of the ESJPA support letter. The main issue remains the absence of a scientific report to support that numerical limits actually lead to higher water quality.

D. Other Regulatory Issues of Interest or Concern by Larry Sweetser. These discussion only topics would be discussed in the Technical Advisory Group meeting immediately following the Board of Directors' meeting.

VI. Legislative Update

Status of the 2005-06 Solid Waste Legislation presented by Paul Smith. The following bills were discussed:

- A. CA AB-1688: Illegal Dumping: Enforcement Officers. Moving to Governor for signing. Is tied to LA county bill and both must be signed to pass.
- B. CA AB-1992: Solid Waste: Dumping. The bill is scheduled to move to the Governor for signing early next week.
- C. CA AB-2118: Solid Waste. Died, but may be revisited in January.
- D. CA SB-1305: Medical Waste Management Act. Signed into law. In his signing statement, the governor encouraged local governments and cities to participate in collecting sharps waste.
- E. CA SB-928: Public Resources: Solid Waste. Will keep an eye on bill as it could put limits on or change diversion % requirements.
- F. CA SB-1225: Service Authority: Registration and Service Fees /AB 2681: Vehicles: Registration Fees: Fines. Will increase abandoned vehicle removal rates leading to a \$1 increase in DMV fees. Moving to Governor for signing.
- G. CA AB-3056: Beverage Container: Quality Incentive Payments: Refund. Bill contains 7-8 components that will change existing legislation concerning which recyclers qualify for a handling fee. Upon passage it would lead to an acceleration of 1 cent back to consumers for a period of 6 months. It would also allow haulers for

curbside recycling to receive the 1 cent return. The only possible issue is that the bill would lead to a 400% increase for beer distributors. Bill in committee.

- H. CA AB2296: Solid Waste: Landfill: Closure: Corrective Action. This bill is on suspense. No uniform consensus for fee has been reached. ESJPA wants CIWMB to enforce private landfills so that the burdens of post-closure costs do not pass to counties.

VII. ESJPA Program Update

- A. Grant Program Update by Stacey Miner. Stacey discussed recent outreach events at Amador and Siskiyou County Fairs County and upcoming Mariposa, Woodfords, and Tehama County Fairs.

VIII. Agenda Suggestions for the next ESJPA meeting scheduled October 17, 2006

Staff will re-schedule with Nancy Carr, Senior Integrated Waste Management Specialist, CIWMB to present the targeted waste characterization studies. Staff will invite Matt McCarron and Karl Palmer to give the group an update on SB20/50.

IX. Member County Concerns/Comments

None

X. Adjournment at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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