



Western Riverside Council of Governments Solid Waste Committee

AGENDA

**Wednesday, November 20, 2019
1:00 p.m.
(Lunch at 12:30 p.m. for members)**

**Western Riverside Council of Governments
Citrus Tower
3390 University Avenue, Suite 450
Riverside, CA 92501**

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The Solid Waste Committee may take any action on any item listed on the agenda, regardless of the Requested Action.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER (Charles Russell, Chair)**
- 2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

At this time members of the public can address the Solid Waste Committee regarding any items with the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee that are not separately listed on this agenda. Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak on agenda items at the time the item is called for discussion. No action may be taken on items not listed on the agenda unless authorized by law. Whenever possible, lengthy testimony should be presented to the Committee in writing and only pertinent points presented orally.

5. MINUTES

- A. **Summary Minutes from the August 21, 2019, Solid Waste Committee Meeting are Available for Consideration.** **P. 1**

Requested Action: 1. *Approve the Summary Minutes from the August 21, 2019, Solid Waste Committee meeting.*

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. Prior to the motion to consider any action by the Committee, any public comments on any of the Consent Items will be heard. There will be no separate action unless members of the Committee request specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar.

- A. **Used Oil and Oil Filter Recycling Program Activities Update** **Kyle Rodriguez** **P. 5**

Requested Action: 1. *Receive and file.*

7. REPORTS / DISCUSSION

- A. **California Recycling Requirements and SB 1383: Short-lived Climate Pollutants Update** **Kyle Rodriguez, WRCOG** **P. 7**

Requested Action: 1. *Discuss and provide direction.*

- B. **California's Recycling Compliance Guidelines** **Jill Larner, CalRecycle** **P. 11**

Requested Action: 1. *Receive and file.*

- C. **Waste Not OC Presentation** **Mike Learakos, WNOC** **P. 13**

Requested Action: 1. *Receive and file.*

- D. **Food Waste Prevention and Rescue Grant Program** **Rayza Sison, WRCOG** **P. 15**

Requested Action: 1. *Discuss and provide input.*

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS **Members**

Members are invited to suggest additional items to be brought forward for discussion at future Solid Waste Committee meetings.

9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS **Members**

Members are invited to announce items / activities which may be of general interest to the Solid Waste Committee.

10. **NEXT MEETING:** The next Solid Waste Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 19, 2020, at 1:00 p.m., at WRCOG's office located at 3390 University Avenue, Riverside.
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Solid Waste Committee was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Charles Russell at WRCOG's office, Citrus Conference Room.

2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS

Members present:

Holly Stuart, City of Banning
Lori Askew, City of Calimesa
Crystal Adams, City of Eastvale
Charles Russell, City of Hemet, Chair
Sean McGovern, City of Jurupa Valley
Samantha Rodriguez, City of Menifee
Angelic Davis, City of Moreno Valley
Clara Vera, City of Murrieta
Dale West, City of Temecula
Kathleen Utter, County of Riverside

Staff present:

Casey Dailey, Director of Energy & Environmental Programs
Tyler Masters, Program Manager
Kyle Rodriguez, Staff Analyst
Rayza Sison, Staff Analyst
Suzy Nelson, Administrative Assistant
Ani Dhruva, Intern
Diane Sanchez, Intern

Guests present:

Greg Reyes, Riverside County Environmental Health
Girard Moby, MSW Consultants
David Davis, MSW Consultants
Lisette Hartman, Waste Management
Derek Rojas, Waste Management
Ignacio Valdivia, CR&R
Jasmin Rivera, City of Moreno Valley

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Charles Russel led members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. SELECTION OF SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020

Actions: 1. *The Solid Waste Committee selected Charles Russell, City of Hemet, as Chair for Fiscal Year 2019/2020.*

(Jurupa Valley / Temecula) 10 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain. Item 5.1 was approved. The Cities of Canyon Lake, Corona, Lake Elsinore, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, and Wildomar were not present.

2. *The Solid Waste Committee selected Sean McGovern, City of Jurupa Valley, as Vice-Chair for Fiscal Year 2019/2020.*

(Calimesa / Temecula) 10 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain. Item 5.2 was approved. The Cities of Canyon Lake, Corona, Lake Elsinore, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, and Wildomar were not present.

6. MINUTES *(County of Riverside / Menifee) 10 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain. Item 6.A was approved. The Cities of Canyon Lake, Corona, Lake Elsinore, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, and Wildomar were not present.*

A. Summary Minutes from the May 15, 2019, Solid Waste Committee Meeting are Available for Consideration.

Action: 1. *Approved the Summary Minutes from the May 15, 2019, Solid Waste Committee meeting.*

7. CONSENT CALENDAR – *(Murrieta / Temecula) 10 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain. Items 7.A and 7.B were approved. The Cities of Canyon Lake, Corona, Lake Elsinore, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, and Wildomar were not present.*

A. Used Oil and Oil Filter Recycling Program Activities Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

B. CalRecycle Grant Opportunities Update

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

7. REPORTS / DISCUSSION

A. SB 1383: Short-lived Climate Pollutants Survey Update

Kyle Rodriguez reported that at the May 2019 SWC meeting, WRCOG was asked to survey the members based on the researched requirements of a possible SB 1383 toolkit. Based on the survey results, two topics emerged with over 50% of respondents indicating the need for assistance: developing an inspection and enforcement program to review commercial solid waste accounts, and identifying inspectors for eligible food generators and food recovery facilities.

The Committee focused attention on on-site and route audits as well as the edible food recovery process. Riverside County Environmental Health Department has access to data on all the food generators that currently require annual inspections. There is an estimate of over 8,000 generators and processors within the subregion. WRCOG will look into CalRecycle Grants that can assist in funding a consulting service to review all the current data provided from the Environmental Health Department and provide insight on how to address the current information, as well as the additional requirements jurisdictions must meet to be in compliance. WRCOG will work with CalRecycle on clarification of the data and reporting section that will be required from each jurisdiction for SB 1383. Additional surveying on food processors can be difficult due to timing and staffing; therefore, the Committee discussed that WRCOG would help identify the necessary questions to ask CalRecycle and receive more clarification on points and classification on recoverable items and diverted materials expectations.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

B. Electronic Annual Reports Update

Kyle Rodriguez reported that WRCOG submitted the Electronic Annual Reports (EARs) on behalf of the Cities of Banning, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Lake Elsinore, Hemet, Murrieta, Perris, San Jacinto, Temecula, and Wildomar on or before August 1, 2019. All additional requests from CalRecycle will be followed up accordingly by staff, with notification to the jurisdictions of any updates.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

C. Household Hazardous Waste Grant Update

Rayza Sison report that WRCOG was awarded \$60,000 from CalRecycle to administer a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program. Some of the tasks awarded include: purchasing hazardous waste collection tanks and drums for antifreeze, batteries, oil, paint, light bulbs, etc., in addition to providing outreach at 25 community events and up to three youth-focused events to promote proper recycling, disposal, and environmentally conscious habits.

The Grant term is two years; all tasks will be completed by September 2022.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

D. Municipal Solid Waste Compliance

David Davis, President of MSW Consultants, presented on a Municipal Solid Waste Compliance, a monitoring web portal, and tracking service for AB 341 and AB 1826. The purpose of the tool is to effectively and efficiently manage, monitor, and report on the recycling activities from commercial waste generators.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

E. EcoHero Show

Kyle Rodriguez reported that the EcoHero Show is a recycling presentation for elementary and middle schools, to educate students on ecological and environmental topics. To increase education for students, WRCOG wishes to engage in a contract with the EcoHero Show to cover all interested member jurisdictions. All associated costs would be covered by WRCOG, with no additional fee to Committee members. For any city interested in participating, please reach out to WRCOG staff.

Action: 1. *Received and filed.*

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Committee member Samantha Rodriguez requested additional information about rePlanet's announced closure of its recycling centers and the resulting impact on consumers.

9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

10. NEXT MEETING: The next Solid Waste Committee meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2019, at 1:00 p.m., at WRCOG's office located at 3390 University Avenue, Suite 450, Riverside.

11. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting of the Solid Waste Committee adjourned at 2:19 p.m.



Western Riverside Council of Governments

Solid Waste Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Used Oil and Oil Filter Recycling Program Activities Update

Contact: Kyle Rodriguez, Staff Analyst, krodriguez@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6721

Date: November 20, 2019

The purpose of this item is to provide an update on the Used Oil and Filter Exchange Program's events, community outreach activities, and the social media campaign.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.

WRCOG's subregional Used Oil Recycling Program is designed to promote the proper recycling and disposal of used oil, oil filters, and Household Hazardous Waste (HHW).

Used Oil and Filter Exchange Events

The Used Oil Program is funded by a grant from CalRecycle, which allows jurisdictions to provide outreach and education on the proper recycling of used motor oil, oil filters, and HHW. WRCOG provides outreach on behalf of the 16 member jurisdictions that participate in the Used Oil Program. The primary objective is to teach "Do It Yourself" (DIY) individuals who change their oil how to dispose of their used oil and oil filters properly; therefore, an auto parts store is an excellent venue for events. During used oil events, individuals are encouraged to bring in their used oil filters for recycling. In exchange, they are provided with a new filter, of equal or lesser price, at no cost. WRCOG staff utilizes an electronic survey on an iPad to interact with residents at these events and collect information to help better inform community members of future opportunities to recycle used oil. In addition to promoting used oil and oil filter recycling, staff provides information about future County-wide HHW collection events, which allows residents to drop-off other automotive and hazardous household products for free.

The following is a list of completed Used Oil Outreach and Oil Filter Exchange Events:

Date	Event	Location	Oil Filters Exchanged
8/22/2019	Community Event	Calimesa	n/a
8/31/2019	Oil & Filter Event	Temecula	46
9/14/2019	Oil & Filter Event	Banning	21
9/28/2019	Oil & Filter Event	Jurupa Valley	62
10/5/2019	Community Event	Canyon Lake	n/a
10/12/2019	Community Event	Murrieta	n/a
10/26/2019	Oil & Filter Event	Riverside	126
10/26/2019	Community Event	Wildomar	n/a

11/9/2019	Oil & Filter Event	San Jacinto	37
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The following is a list of upcoming Used Oil Outreach and Oil Filter Exchange Events:

Date	Event	Location	Time
11/16/2019	Community Event	Nuview Elementary	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
11/23/2019	Oil & Filter Event	Hemet	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
12/7/2019	Oil & Filter Event	Eastvale	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Prior Action:

August 21, 2019: The Solid Waste Committee received and filed.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

Attachment:

None.



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Staff Report

Subject: California Recycling Requirements and SB 1383: Short-lived Climate Pollutants Update

Contact: Kyle Rodriguez, Staff Analyst, krodriguez@wrcoq.us, (951) 405-6721

Date: November 20, 2019

The purpose of this item is to provide an overview for members on requirements for AB 341, AB 1826, and SB 1383.

Requested Action:

1. Discuss and provide direction.

Background

WRCOG established a Solid Waste Committee after the adoption of Assembly Bill 939 “*The Integrated Waste Management Act*” in 1989, to regionally address the waste diversion goals in Western Riverside County. The Solid Waste Committee works with its member jurisdictions, its partners, and the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), meeting quarterly to discuss solid waste, environmental, and recycling issues and ways to address requirements.

California’s Recycling Regulatory Update

Through AB 341, AB 1826, and SB 1383, CalRecycle requires jurisdictions to implement processes that promote businesses and multi-family separating all recyclable material from other solid waste. Additionally, the State of California’s regulations requires all California businesses to participate in Mandatory Commercial Recycling (AB 341) and Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling (AB 1826). The Legislature and Governor set ambitious goals to increase recycling and reduce statewide solid waste disposal as outlined below.

AB 341: Mandatory Commercial Recycling: Beginning in 2012, AB 341 required both businesses that generate four cubic yards or more of solid waste and multi-family complexes with five or more dwelling units to participate in a recycling program. Jurisdictions needed to be in compliance of this law as of January 1, 2014. Requirements for businesses include any one or combination of the following actions to divert solid waste from disposal: self-haul, subscribe to a waste hauler, arrange for pick up recyclables through the third party, or subscribe to a recycling service that may include mixed waste processing. Each jurisdiction shall implement a program for businesses that consist of education, outreach, and monitoring. Jurisdictions are required to report on activities in CalRecycle’s Electronic Annual Reports. Failure to implement a recycling program can result in a formal compliance review conducted by CalRecycle.

AB 1826: Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling: Beginning in 2014, AB 1826 required businesses, including public entities and multi-family complexes, to recycle their organic waste. Jurisdictions needed to be in compliance of this law as of January 1, 2016. Businesses must develop strategies to reduce and/or arrange for recycling services for the following types of organic waste: food waste, food-soiled paper, green waste, landscaping, pruning waste, and non-hazardous wood waste. Requirements for businesses include any one or combination of the following actions to divert solid waste from disposal: self-haul, subscribe to a waste hauler,

arrange for pick up recyclables through third party, or subscribe to a recycling service that may include mixed waste processing. Each jurisdiction shall implement a program for businesses that consist of education, outreach, and monitoring. Jurisdictions are required to report on activities in CalRecycle's Electronic Annual Reports. Failure to implement an organics recycling program can result in a formal compliance review conducted by CalRecycle.

SB 1383: Short-Lived Climate Pollutants: Beginning in 2020, SB 1383 establishes methane emissions reduction targets for California, requiring a 50% reduction of organics (food waste, food-soiled paper, green waste, landscaping, pruning waste, and non-hazardous wood waste) heading to the landfill by the year 2020, and a 75% reduction by the year 2025. SB 1383 requires a 20% increase in edible food recovery by the year 2025. Building upon AB 341 and AB 1826 recycling requirements, jurisdictions are required to implement commercial recycling and commercial organics recycling programs for all businesses and residents designed to divert waste generated. Jurisdictional programs, among other requirements, must include "education of, outreach to, and monitoring of businesses," within its boundaries.

WRCOG's Role in SB 1383

At the August 2019 SWC meeting, members discussed what WRCOG's role should be regarding SB 1383 compliance and bringing on consultant support on a regional contract, or individual city contract. If members proceed alone, prices will be higher than working as a collective. Although some members would like to pursue individually with SB 1383, members agreed bringing on a consultant would support efforts of compliance and enforcement.

WRCOG surveyed members based on the researched requirements of a possible SB 1383 toolkit. The survey was distributed via email using Google documents. A link was sent to all members which contained a seven-question survey. Based on the survey results, two topics emerged with over 50% of respondents indicating the need for assistance.

1. Developing an inspection and enforcement program to review commercial solid waste accounts; and
2. Identifying inspectors for eligible food generators and food recovery facilities.

The Committee has focused attention on on-site and route audits as well as the edible food recovery process. The Riverside County Environmental Health Department has access to data on all the food generators that currently require annual inspections. There is an estimate of over 8,000 generators and processors within the subregion. WRCOG researched the CalRecycle Grants that can assist in funding a consulting service to review all the current data provided from the Environmental Health Department and provide insight on how to address the current information, as well as the additional requirements jurisdictions must meet to comply. WRCOG is working with CalRecycle on clarification of the data and reporting section that will be required from each jurisdiction for SB 1383. Additional surveying on food processors can be difficult due to timing and staffing; therefore, the Committee discussed that WRCOG would help identify the necessary questions to ask CalRecycle and receive more clarification on points and classification on recoverable items and diverted materials expectations.

Staff is looking into CalRecycle's food waste grant to help plan and address the needs based off the SB 1383 survey and the direction provided at the August Committee meeting. WRCOG is looking to help gather the necessary data of food generators and food recovery facilities within Western Riverside County. For the time being, efforts are being made to learn more about cities' current work with SB 1383 implementations, including any waste hauler amendments and ordinances passed, upcoming workshops pertaining to 1383, and connecting with all interested parties on strategies to enforce SB 1383 compliance.

Prior Action:

August 21, 2019: The Solid Waste Committee directed staff to work with CalRecycle on clarification on data and reporting, surveying questions for food processors, and classifying recoverable materials.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

Attachment:

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Staff Report

Subject: California's Recycling Compliance Guidelines

Contact: Jill Larner, CalRecycle, jill.larner@calrecycle.ca.gov, (916) 341-6525

Date: November 20, 2019

The purpose of this item is to provide an opportunity for representatives from CalRecycle to present on compliance requirements for AB 341, AB 1826, and SB 1383.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.

This item is reserved for a presentation by Jill Larner, CalRecycle, on compliance requirements for AB 341 (Mandatory Commercial Recycling), AB 1826 (Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling), and SB 1383 (Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP): Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reductions).

Prior Action:

August 21, 2019: The Solid Waste Committee directed staff to work with CalRecycle on clarification of data and reporting.

Fiscal Impact:

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Staff Report

Subject: Waste Not OC Presentation

Contact: Mike Learakos, Waste Not OC, mlearakos@wastenotoc.org, (855) 700-9662

Date: November 20, 2019

The purpose of this item is to provide information on how to address regional food recovery and food insecurity.

Requested Action:

1. Receive and file.

This item is reserved for a presentation by Mike Learakos and Rachel Otair, Waste Not OC, on a three-step approach to addressing regional food insecurity while reducing food waste, through facilitating donations from permitted food facilities to local pantries.

Prior Action:

None.

Fiscal Impact:

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Solid Waste Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Food Waste Prevention and Rescue Grant Program

Contact: Rayza Sison, Staff Analyst, rsison@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6735

Date: November 20, 2019

The purpose of this item is to provide information regarding the CalRecycle Food Waste Prevention and Rescue Grant Program.

Requested Action:

1. Discuss and provide input.

Background:

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) administers the Food Waste Prevention and Rescue Grant Program with the purpose of lowering overall greenhouse gas emissions by establishing new or expanding existing food waste prevention projects (source reduction or food rescue for people) in California to reduce the amount of food being disposed of in landfills.

Grant Summary

Eligible projects include food waste prevention programs that cover education, outreach, modernization of production or handling, and food preparation waste reduction, as well as the implementation of food rescue programs that result in edible food rescue and distribution or otherwise composting, digesting, or diversion. The availability of application materials for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/2021 is expected to be released in January 2020.

Based on previous application cycles, approved projects have a minimum funding impact of \$50,000, with a maximum funding limit of \$500,000. Eligible applicants include local governments (cities, counties, regional or local sanitation agencies, waste agencies, or Joint Powers Authorities); non-profit organizations; private, for-profit entities; state or federal agencies; University of California campuses, California State University campuses and the California Community College campuses; solid waste facilities; public school districts; and qualifying Indian Tribes.

WRCOG, based on direction provided by the Solid Waste Committee, proposes a regional program to expand food recovery and waste prevention by:

1. Meeting SB 1383 organic diversion goals,
2. Creating a regional food recovery network, and
3. Providing resources to underserved communities in need.

Prior Action:

None.

Fiscal Impact:

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Attachment:

None.