



MONO COUNTY
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Mono County Solid Waste Task Force

Meeting of July 10, 2013
1:00-3:00 p.m.

*CAO Conference Room
Sierra Center Mall, Mammoth Lakes*

AGENDA

1. Call to order.

In Attendance:

*Pat Fenton
Jill Kearney
Lisa Isaacs
Brian Robinette
Jim Leddy
Louis Molina
Karl Schnadt
Steve McCabe
Tony Dublino
Kevin Brown*

2. Public Comment on items not on the agenda.

FYI--meeting tomorrow of T/C Liaison Committee. There will be a discussion on whether the SWTF should take on a more active role in the development of a regional approach between the Town and County. May involve the appointment of elected officials.

Steven McCabe taking on Ron Cohen's role at SWTF

3. Approval of Minutes from March 7, 2013 meeting.

Minutes approved unanimously

4. CALRECYCLE UPDATE—Susan Mueller.

*Annual EAR- access begins June 15, should be up and running. Must be in by August 1
HHW 303—now electronic
Public comment period on carpet stewardship plan is open
New HHW grant program-NOFA HHW21 13/14 just published (load checking)
OPP cycle 4 open*

*Paint EPR—paintcare continuing its program
smueller@calrecycle.ca.gov*

AB341 is a “statewide goal of 75%,” and individual jurisdictions are not necessarily expected to meet these requirements. Suggested strategies for meeting the requirements are available at CalRecycle website.

5. Update on County Solid Waste program –budget, closure funding and permitting.

BUDGET- For the first time in the last 4 years, SW Budget finished FY 12/13 with a positive cash balance. It is anticipated to be approximately \$150,000. The current plan is to set this aside into a contingency account to be used for anticipated shortages in closure funding and other needs.

CLOSURE FUNDING—the Benton Crossing Landfill closure date is 10 years away. The closure funding is based on capacity, which is not expected to be reached at that time. As a result, the plan is to place additional funds into contingency in order to fill the anticipated shortage.

PERMITTING-Benton Permit is issued, remaining issue for operations there is DWP lease and that conversation and related work is ongoing. PVLf is currently in the draft phase, DWP did not support the application as it was drafted so the county is now trying to come to terms with existing options including the acquisition of the PVLf site.

6. Discussion of Draft Solid Waste Goals and Objectives.

2000 Goals and Objectives do not need to be changed much, but there may be a need to follow them more diligently.

“Export” of waste not addressed in the current document, which was focused on providing in-county capacity. An updated version would include export as an option, as there is some chance things are headed that way.

*Last item, need to prepare for elimination of ADC, need to identify ways to use crushed aggregate, glass, and green waste **LOCALLY** for the long term.*

Request to add another Goal: “assist private sector development to recycle and re-use commodities (ie deconstruction, glass mugs, wood pellets, other)”

PF: need to lobby for exemption of ADC requirements.

BR: Is there a requirement for end-user certification on utilizing glass elsewhere?

KB: need certain standards for wood pellets, low-ash, etc.

TD: watching the Biomass feasibility study as a potential alternative.

KB: Suggested: if it is cheaper to export, then it should be offered that way instead of paying export waste fees. Perhaps re-word or strengthen the wording on making the cost the least to ratepayers, even it means exported waste.

LI: Tax-deductible benefits of deconstruction?

SM: Should Inyo County be added as a cooperating jurisdiction/entity?

LI: Increase regional language, add other agencies beside Town/County/Private industries—such as MCWD, MUSD, SMHD, etc.

LI: “Convenient”--can we define it or quantify it somehow? Can we put some performance standards or something to make it more clear? Within XX miles? Within XX hours per week? Etc?

LI: Add the “Identify opportunities for the safe disposal of and collection of HHW,” to the front of that point, then onto education.

7. Adjourn to the September 7, 2013 meeting

Meeting adjourned at 2:50