

MARIN COUNTY HAZARDOUS & SOLID WASTE  
MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

AB 939 LOCAL TASK FORCE

Wednesday, December 2, 2009  
Suite 200-A Conference Room  
65 Mitchell Blvd., San Rafael

8:30 -10:00 AM

AGENDA

Call to Order.

- 1) Open Time for Public Comment.
- 2) Approval of the October 7, 2009 JPA Local Task Force Minutes (Action – 5 Minutes).
- 3) Executive Committee Request for a Legislative Platform (Discussion/Action – 75 minutes).
- 4) Update on Executive Committee Action on Zero Waste Feasibility Study (Information – 10 minutes)
- 5) Adjourn.

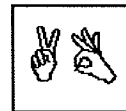
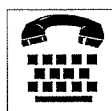
Next LTF Meeting will be held on January 6, 2010 at 8:30 AM.

Next Executive Committee Meeting will be held on January 20, 2010 at 2:00 P.M.

Next JPA Board Meeting will be held on January 28, 2010 at 9:00 A.M.

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MINUTES

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Patricia Garbarino, Marin Sanitary  
Matt McCarron, Novato  
Jon Elam, Tamalpais CSD  
Tamara Hull, Sustainable San Rafael  
Tania Levy, Unincorporated Area  
Loretta Figueroa, Almonte Sanitary District  
Ramin Khany, Redwood Landfill  
David Haskell, Sustainable Marin  
Steve McCaffrey, Redwood Empire Disp.(Alt.)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Greg Christie, Bay Cities (Alternate)  
Terry Cosgrove, San Rafael  
Trip Allen, Sierra Club  
Tom Gaffney, Ross Valley Cities

**STAFF PRESENT**

Michael Frost, JPA Staff  
Alex Soulard, JPA Staff  
Jeff Rawles, JPA Consultant

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Roger Roberts, Marin Conserv. League  
Judy Schriebman, LGVSD  
Kiki La Porta, Sustainable Marin  
Bruce Baum, Green Coalition  
Richard Tagore Erwin, R3 Consulting  
Jimmy Garrity, Marin Community Media  
Dee Johnson, Novato Sanitary District  
Richard Schorske, Marin Climate

Call to Order. The Local Task Force (LTF) meeting came to order at 8:33 AM.

1. Open Time for Public Comment. Jimmy Garrity and Bruce Baum asked if there was any term for the positions to the Local Task Force and if there is any formal action for rotation of membership. Staff responded that the JPA agreement identifies the makeup of the LTF but there is no term limit in JPA Bylaws. Richard Schorske of the Marin Climate and Energy Partnership introduced himself and expressed interest in the Zero Waste Feasibility Study and how it can be used to meet goals.
2. Approval of the September 2, 2009 JPA Local Task Force Minutes. M/s Figueroa, Hull to approve the September 2, 2009 meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.
3. Local Task Force Discussion and Comments to R3 on Draft Zero Waste Feasibility Study. Staff provided a timeline of the Study development and explained that all comments have been attached to the agenda and that comments received early enough were addressed in the document. The Chair asked each member for specific comments on the Study. Tamara Hull asked about the JPA's comparison with RWMA in Yuba County and why comparisons with other JPA were not consistent. The consultant stated that RWMA would be deleted from the final version of the report due to lack of information on their organization. David Haskell stated there was not enough economic analysis for the existing cost structure included in the report and that changes in cost should be

measurable. Tamara Hull would like to see the report identify increased data collection from haulers. Patty Garbarino stated that she would be submitting comments that focus on reduced consumption, identify the effects of the economic downturn, and are supportive of recommendations. Tania Levy stated the JPA comparison should have a per capita cost, the plan should address the impact of Sonoma County's waste, and that there should be a distinction between recyclable and compostable paper. Ramin Khany stated the JPA needs to agree to have more meetings and determine how to organize the structure to have all JPA member agencies operating in unison. Loretta Figueroa said the Executive Summary should identify Marin's high generation of waste, the region referred to in the report should be clarified as Marin County, and the Study should show how the economic downturn has affected generation. David Haskell stated that a business partnership program should be included in the plan to have a focus on education and stated that diversion is but one division of zero waste, which he asked that it be included in the minutes. Matt McCarron stated that residential diversion rates and overall diversion rates must be compared to show where the gap is. He reiterated that the JPA needs more frequent meetings and stated that elected officials need to be part of the decision making process. Steve McCaffrey stated that Bolinas and Stinson are individual service areas that should be identified separately. Dee Johnson stated that many of the member agencies program should be described in detail and that all franchising groups should be contacted. Jon Elam said that all of the franchising agencies should be met with. Kiki LaPorta said that cities are drafting climate change action plans and that they should be contacted to share waste reduction information. Roger Roberts stated that the JPA may need to be reformulated to have elected officials present at the meetings. Judy Schriebman welcomed the recommendation to include participation of the franchise groups in development of the study and JPA decisions. Bruce Baum stated the JPA doesn't have enough authority, elected officials should be on the board, that CMSA has not started food waste composting, East Bay MUD is ready to start digesting food waste, and that the Board of Supervisors should be given an update on the Study. Richard Schorske said that some of the data gaps in the Study should be filled; an update should be given on the Community Development Agency's Construction and Demolition grant activities, and that an alternate JPA structure should be identified.

4. Presentation by Portia Sinnot on California Resource Recovery Association Zero Waste Workshop. Staff introduced Portia Sinnot and stated that Tania Levy requested she be invited to present on a Zero Waste Workshop that would be held locally. Portia identified herself as working with the California Resource Recovery Association (CRRRA) which is funding a Zero Waste Workshop in the North Bay. She requested that the LTF commit to attending the event and potentially provide a venue for workshop. LTF members questioned when the event would be, what topics would be discussed, if there is a cost, who the target audience is, and what commitment she was asking for from the LTF. Portia explained that many of the details of the event had not been decided on and that she was looking for support from the LTF. No formal motion was made. The LTF agreed to discuss the workshop at a future date.
5. Subcommittee Reports. Matt McCarron stated that he is the only member of the Website Subcommittee and that he is reviewing the site, but has not had a chance to write a formal review.
6. Adjourn. – Next meeting scheduled for November 4, 2009 at 8:30am

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**Belvedere:**  
George Rodericks

Date: December 2, 2009

**Corte Madera:**  
David Bracken

To: Local Task Force Members

**County of Marin:**  
Matthew Hymel

From: Alex Soulard

**Fairfax:**  
Michael Rock

Re: Executive Committee Request for a Legislative Platform

**Larkspur:**  
Jean Bonander

At their October 21, 2009 meeting the Marin County Hazardous and Solid Waste Management Joint Powers Authority Executive Committee requested the Task Force (LTF) develop a Legislative Platform that can be reviewed and adopted by the JPA Board.

**Mill Valley:**  
Anne Montgomery

A legislative platform will allow staff to prepare and submit letters for support for local, state, and national pieces of legislation that are in line with the goals of the JPA. Currently, Board or Executive Committee approval is needed for each individual letter of support except for Extended Producer Responsibility legislation, which is covered by the JPA's EPR ordinance. Submitting support letters is often time sensitive and public agencies have trouble coordinating for approval by Boards and Committees.

**Novato:**  
Michael Frank

**Ross:**  
Gary Broad

**San Anselmo:**  
Debbie Stutsman

**San Rafael:**  
Ken Nordhoff

On November 16, 2009 two LTF members (Patty Garbarino and Tamara Hull) who responded to requests met to discuss the Legislative Platform for the JPA. To ensure that the platform is in line with the JPA's best interests the group favored following the legislative recommendations of a major waste reduction focused environmental group that included support by the California State Association of Counties.

**Sausalito:**  
Adam Politzer

**Tiburon:**  
Margaret Curran

Additionally, it is requested that your Local Task Force develop additional direction on individual topics that are important to its members and are of specific interest to the JPA. The platform should identify types of legislation it supports and the specific criterion for each type of product, service, or regulation it applies to.

The final platform that your committee takes action on will be sent to the JPA Executive Committee and JPA Board of Directors for adoption.

