MARIN COUNTY HAZARDOUS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

AB 939 LOCAL TASK FORCE

Wednesday, March 5, 2008
Suite 200-A Conference Room
65 Mitchell Blvd., San Rafael

9:00 -10:30 AM

AGENDA

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval JPA Local Task Force Minutes from January 2, 2008. (Action – 5 Minutes)

3. Open Time for Public Comment.

4. Waste Management Infrastructure Description. (Information – 10 Minutes)

5. Subcommittee Reports. (Informational/Action – 60 Minutes)
   - Construction and Demolition Materials.
   - Progressive Can Rates.
   - Foodwaste Composting.

6. Next JPA Local Task Force Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 2, 2008, 9:00 – 10:30 AM, 65 Mitchell Blvd., San Rafael.

7. Adjourn.

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MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT
Tom Gaffney, Ross Valley Cities
Greg Christie, Bay Cities Refuse
Jon Elam, Tamalpais CSD
Patricia Garbarino, Marin Sanitary
Loretta Figueroa, Almonte Sanitary District
Kim Huff, Southern Marin Cities

STAFF PRESENT
Michael Frost, JPA Staff
Alex Soulard, JPA Staff
Jeff Rawles, JPA Staff

OTHERS PRESENT
Tamara Hull, Sustainable San Rafael
Bruce Baum, Green Coalition
Marilyn McConnel, Public
David Haskell, Public
Judy Schriebman, Las Gallinas San Dist.
Fred Grange, Grange Debris Box
Jim Iavarone, Mill Valley Refuse
Dave Della Zappa, Mill Valley Refuse

1. Call to Order. The Local Task Force (LTF) meeting came to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Approval of JPA Local Task Force Meeting Minutes from December 5, 2007. Tom Gaffney requested correction to minutes. M/s, Gaffney, Garbarino to approve the December 5, 2007 meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

3. Open Time for Public Comment. David Haskell stated that the JPA passed a Zero Waste Resolution 14 months ago, and the public has seen no action taken on developing an RFI or appointing new LTF Members.

4. Subcommittee Development. LTF members discussed that there would be three subcommittees, Construction and Demolition, Progressive Can Rates, and Foodwaste Composting. Task Force members discussed the need for the groups to prioritize work needed to be done, signing up tasks and bringing a report back to the meetings. An email would be sent out to members not present allowing them to pick a subcommittee and develop an email list serve for all staff, members and public.

5. Progressive Can Rates. Loretta Figueroa reported on Almonte District’s rate structure and on a Seattle rate structure study. The Task Force members discussed the report and on how many bins are given for green waste, recycling and garbage and if progressive can rates are truly the effective way to cut down waste.

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6. **Construction and Demolition Materials.** Staff reported on C & D materials and the problem with enforcement ordinances within the County. Staff also reported on a C&D guide being developed using CIWMB grant funds.

7. **Foodwaste Composting.** Staff reported on gathering data from various sites and companies and finding who would be able to accept Marin’s foodwaste. Redwood Landfill is looking to expand and Marin Sanitary Service is looking toward food waste composting.

8. **Adjourn.** Next meeting is February 6 at 10:30am in 65 Mitchell Blvd.

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At the January 2, 2008 the Local Task Force requested staff provide a description of the current waste management structure in Marin. The existing system is described below:

**Haulers**

Marin currently has four private hauling companies operating different areas of Marin under franchise agreements and one public agency that provides waste hauling services to the Tamalpais Valley. Bay Cities Refuse, Marin Sanitary Service, Mill Valley Refuse, and Redwood Empire Disposal are the four private haulers and Tamalpais Community Services District is the public hauler. Additionally, there are several other privately owned hauling companies that operate in Marin outside of franchise agreements.

**Franchise Agencies**

The four franchised hauling companies collect waste, recycling, and greenwaste under contract with ten of Marin’s cities and towns, the County of Marin and nine special districts. Agencies managing these franchise agreements are Almonte Sanitary District, Alto Sanitary District, City of Belvedere, Bolinas Community Public Utilities District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Homestead Valley Sanitary District, City of Larkspur, Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District, Marin City Community Services District, City of Mill Valley, Novato Sanitary District, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo, City of San Rafael, City of Sausalito, Stinson Beach County Water District, Strawberry Recreational District, Town of Tiburon, and the County of Marin.

**Disposal Facilities**

Redwood Landfill, Marin County’s only operating landfill, is located three miles North of Novato in Unincorporated Marin County. The landfill is currently undergoing a permit revision process that, if approved will expand its disposal capacity and waste diversion activities. The mitigated alternative proposed in Redwood Landfill’s permit review includes a landfill gas to energy program, siting a Construction and demolition material recovery facility, and expanded composting activities.

**Recovery Facilities**

The Marin Resource Recovery Center (MRRC) is the primary material recovery facility in Marin which consists of an indoor dump, sorting and recovery operation, and a transfer station. Directly next to the MRRC is the Marin Recycling and Buyback Center. The Novato Recycling and Buyback Center has a main facility and one offsite drop-off location. These locations accept...
recyclable materials and some Universal Wastes.

**Household Hazardous Waste Facilities**
The Marin Household Hazardous Waste Facility, located adjacent to the Marin Resource Recovery Center, in San Rafael is the JPA funded Household Hazardous Waste Facility serving all areas of Marin except Novato. A second Household Hazardous Waste Facility, located in the City of Novato, is operated by the Novato Sanitary District and serves Novato residents.

**Composting Facilities**
There are limited composting operations at Redwood Landfill and at Bolinas Recovery that compost curbside and drop-off greenwaste. A composting facility is planned for West Marin in Nicasio to process local West Marin greenwaste and dairy waste. Additionally, Marin Resource Recovery Center is conducting an enclosed foodwaste composting pilot in San Rafael using foodwaste from restaurants.