MARIN COUNTY HAZARDOUS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

AB 939 LOCAL TASK FORCE

Wednesday, September 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 May 6, 2009 JPA Local Task Force Minutes (Action 5 Minutes).
- 3) Local Task Force Meeting Frequency / Topics (Action 30 minutes)
- 4) MarinRecycles.org Website Update (Information 30 minutes)
- 5) Nondisposal Facility Element Amendment (Information 25 minutes).
- 6) Adjourn.

Next Meeting will be held on October 7, 2009 at 8:30 AM.

The full agenda including staff reports can be viewed at www.marinrecycles.org/mins_agendas.cfm

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AB 939 Local Task Force Meeting Wednesday, May 6, 2009 Suite 200-A Conference Room 65 Mitchell Blvd., San Rafael

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Trip Allen, Sierra Club
Ramin Khany, Redwood Landfill
Jon Elam, Tamalpais CSD
Tamara Hull, Sustainable San Rafael
Tania Levy, Unincorporated Area
Loretta Figueroa, Almonte Sanitary District
Tom Gaffney, Ross Valley Cities
David Haskell, Sustainable Marin
Steve McCaffrey, Redwood Empire Disp.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Greg Christie, Bay Cities (Alternate) Terry Cosgrove, San Rafael Patricia Garbarino, Marin Sanitary Matt McCarron, Novato

STAFF PRESENT

Michael Frost, JPA Staff Eric Lueder, JPA Staff Alex Soulard, JPA Staff

OTHERS PRESENT

Judy Schriebman, LGVSD Roger Roberts, Marin Conserv. League Crise de Tournay Birkham, Bd. of Sups. Casey Mazzoni, Mazzoni and Associates Ray Holmes, Marin Sanitary Service

Call to Order. The Local Task Force (LTF) meeting came to order at 8:31 AM.

- 1. Open Time for Public Comment. No comments received.
- 2. <u>Approval of the April 1, 2009 JPA Local Task Force Minutes</u>. M/s Gaffney to approve the April 1, 2009 meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.
- 3. Legislative Update. Staff reported that the Executive Committee reviewed two plastic bag fee Assembly Bills, AB 87 and AB 68, and submitted two letters of support at their April 15, 2009 meeting. Roger Roberts stated that the bills have been combined and are moving forward as AB 68, which has incorporated the stronger language that was part of AB 87. Additionally, staff updated the Task Force on SB 55, which would expand the California Redemption Value program to additional shapes and types of plastic, and AB 473 that requires multifamily dwellings (5 or more units) to arrange for recycling. Task Force members raised concerns about applying the CRV to containers that are not collected or readily recyclable by all haulers, but discussed that a change in the fee could drive the markets and recyclability of materials. Members also questioned whether all apartment complexes already have recycling in Marin. Staff reported that some buildings owners do not provide recycling receptacles due to

space constraints or management issues and are not required to do so. The committee had no further questions, comments or recommendations regarding the legislation.

- 4. Nondisposal Facility Element LTF Responsibilities. Staff reported that as part of Redwood Landfill's permit revision, the on-site composting facility identified under the same permit, triggered California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) staff to request the Nondisposal Facility Element be updated to reflect the changes. As part of the update the document must identify all permitted facilities used within and outside of Marin for non disposal related purposes. The Local Task Force's responsibility is to provide comments within a 90 day period before the document is approved by the JPA Board and submitted to the state. Staff informed the Task Force they would be receiving the document shortly for their comment period. The Task Force clarified the purpose of the document, its historical significance as part of the Integrated Waste Management Plan, and the process staff will take in drafting the document.
- 5. Staff Report on Activities. At the request of LTF members, staff presented the list of activities and programs that are currently part of the work plan. Staff opened the floor to questions from the Task Force in order to provide clarification on staff duties. A couple of members commented the list was a good way to see staff's current work load, but wanted more data on the Local Task Force's role and how they could expand the scope of the JPA and provide more power to the Task Force. Staff reported that the purpose of the LTF is advising the JPA on the adequacy of Marin's Integrated Waste Management Plan and review associated documents. The LTF is an advisory group and as such has no budget or management authority. Due to community interest in expanding programs the scope of the LTF has been expanded to provide recommendations on specific issues that arise. Staff reported the Executive Committee is recommending to the Full Board \$50,000 be budgeted next year for public education as requested by the LTF. Some members exhibited frustration with the current method of staff providing reports to the Executive Committee and felt they need more direct contact with the JPA Board members.

The Task Force requested that they review the JPA's website at the following meeting and have a role in looking at the greater waste management picture instead of focusing on individual issues. The Task Force discussed the possibility of having a representative speak about recommendations at Executive Committee meetings. No Task Force member felt qualified to represent the group's consensus.

6. Adjourn. – Next meeting scheduled for June 3, 2009 at 8:30am.

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Belvedere:

George Rodericks

Corte Madera: **David Bracken**

Date: September 2, 2009

County of Marin:

To: Local Task Force Members

Matthew Hymel

From: Alex Soulard

Fairfax:

Michael Rock

Re: Local Task Force Meeting Frequency / Topics

Larkspur: Jean Bonander

Mill Valley: **Anne Montgomery**

Novato:

Ross: Gary Broad

San Anselmo: **Debbie Stutsman**

San Rafael: Ken Nordhoff

Sausalito: Adam Politzer

Tiburon: Margaret Curran Staff requests that your Task Force discuss the option of modifying the frequency and/or length of Local Task Force (LTF) meetings, which are presently scheduled for 90 minutes and occur monthly. There has been ongoing difficulty attaining a quorum from members, inconsistency of attendance, and a lack of agenda items that require action.

Until the first draft of the Zero Waste Feasibility Study is released, many issues have been put on hold, awaiting recommendations to be made by R3. Once the draft Feasibility Study is available we will request feedback from the LTF, and additional meetings or subcommittee meetings can be held as needed.

At this time the staff requests the Task Force to address these issues to ensure Task Force Members maintain an interest in agenda topics and can continue to provide input on relevant issues.

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Tiburon: Margaret Curran At your May 6, 2009 meeting the Task Force (LTF) requested that a review of the MarinRecycles.org website be conducted. Staff organized a presentation for the June 3, 2009 LTF meeting where the website contractor was present to respond regarding possible capabilities of the website. Although only two LTF members were present at this meeting many constructive recommendations were received from the group as a whole.

Several requested revisions were mentioned regarding formatting, listing outside agencies, linking to waste haulers, including prominent contact information for corrections and additions, coordinating with community calendars, and redesigning the recycling guide. Since the website had not been significantly updated in over 8 years, many changes were necessary to make the site more user friendly and make the variety of green services, resources and information available today more accessible to the community.

Staff has met with the website contractor, Marininfo LLC, to discuss updates and modifications to the site. The result of these conversations is a proposed two phased approach to remodeling the site. The first phase, which is estimated to cost \$8,500.00 will change the look and feel to the site and provide a much broader source of information available to site users. Much of the same material will remain from the current site in regards to the JPA mission, objectives, agendas, and minutes, but changes and additions to other sections would enhance the site.

A new "At your Home" guide which will cover recycling, energy, gardening, composting along with other residential topics that will provide the user a room by room guide of ways to reduce waste. A similar page named "At the Workplace" will cover many of the same topics for the commercial sector. An events calendar will provide a list of JPA related meetings, events, along with local, State, and National green news. An "In the Spotlight" section will be a collection of JPA related articles found in local media publications along with press releases drafted by the JPA. The additions would also display green tips, and develop a Just for Kids section with educational materials.

A second phase would make the Recycling Guide more interactive, letting users specify their location and providing a map of local facilities and drop off locations for each material type. Each location would be clickable to let you know the facility information and designate whether they are disposal, reuse, recycling, or compost related. Marinfo LLC has not yet provided an estimate of what this addition would cost due to variables related to GIS mapping integration and the overall scope of work.

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Re:

Larkspur: Jean Bonander Nondisposal Facility Element Amendment

Mill Valley:
Anne Montgomery

The California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) has requested the JPA amend its Nondisposal Facility Element (NDFE). Staff prepared and circulated the amended document on July 7, 2009.

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Novato:

Ross: Gary Broad

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San Rafael: Ken Nordhoff

Sausalito: Adam Politzer

Tiburon: Margaret Curran As required by State law (Attached), the Local Task Force will have 90 days from receiving the document to review and submit comments. Comments should be in written form and submitted to staff via email or U.S. Mail as identified in the letter. JPA staff suggests that all comments be submitted by October 1, 2009 to be presented to the Executive Committee meeting occurring October 21, 2009. Comments received will be forwarded to the JPA Board and to the CIWMB along with the amended NDFE.

The document identifies facilities that are required to be permitted as Solid Waste Facilities but are not disposal facilities such as materials recovery facilities, compost facilities, and transfer stations. The NDFE may also discuss other utilized resources such as Redwood Empire Disposal's recycling facilities in Santa Rosa.

The NDFE will be placed on the JPA Board agenda later this year for approval. Once approved by the JPA Board the document will be sent to the CIWMB, which will have 30 days to determine the completeness of the amendment.

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PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 41732-41736

- 41732. (a) City, county, and regional agency nondisposal facility elements prepared pursuant to Section 41730, 41731, or 41750.1, as the case may be, shall include a description of any new solid waste facilities and the expansion of existing solid waste facilities that will be needed to implement the jurisdiction's source reduction and recycling element and to thereby meet the diversion requirements of Section 41780. The nondisposal facility element may include the identification of specific locations or general areas for new solid waste facilities that will be needed to implement the jurisdiction's source reduction and recycling element.
- (b) In complying with the requirements of subdivision (a), the jurisdiction shall utilize the pertinent information that is available to it at the time that the nondisposal facility element is prepared.
- 41733. Nondisposal facility elements prepared pursuant to this chapter shall include all solid waste facilities and solid waste facility expansions, except disposal facilities and transformation facilities, which will recover for reuse or recycling at least 5 percent of the total volume of material received by the facility. Transfer stations which recover less than 5 percent of the volume of materials received for reuse or recycling shall be included in the element. However, the portions of the element describing these facilities shall not be subject to board approval.
- 41734. (a) (1) Prior to adopting or amending a nondisposal facility element, the city, county, or regional agency shall submit the element or amendment to the task force created pursuant to Section 40950 for review and comment.
- (2) Prior to adopting or amending a regional agency nondisposal facility element, if the jurisdiction of the regional agency extends beyond the boundaries of a single county, the regional agency shall submit the element or amendment for review and comment to each task force created pursuant to Section 40950 of each county within the jurisdiction of the regional agency.
- (b) Comments by the task force shall include an assessment of the regional impacts of potential diversion facilities and shall be submitted to the city, county, or regional agency and to the board within 90 days of the date of receipt of the nondisposal facility element for review and comment.
- 41735. (a) Notwithstanding Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000), the adoption or amendment of a nondisposal facility element shall not be subject to environmental review.
- (b) Local agencies may impose a fee on project proponents to fund their necessary and actual costs of preparing and approving amendments to nondisposal facility elements.

41736. It is not the intent of the Legislature to require cities and counties to revise their source reduction and recycling elements to comply with the requirements of this chapter. At the time of the five-year revision of the source reduction and recycling element, each city, county, and city and county shall incorporate the nondisposal facility element and any amendments thereto into the revised source reduction and recycling element.