MARIN COUNTY HAZARDOUS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

AB 939 LOCAL TASK FORCE

Wednesday, May 4, 2011
Tamalpais Valley Community Center
203 Marin Avenue, Mill Valley

8:30 -10:00 AM

AGENDA

Call to Order.

1) Open Time for Public Comment (5 Minutes)

2) Approval of the April 6, 2011 JPA Local Task Force Minutes (Action – 5 Minutes)

3) The Hive Advertising to Present Zero Waste Campaign Creative Work in Progress (Information/Action – 40 Minutes)

4) County Single-Use Carry-Out Bag Ban Update (Information – 10 Minutes)

5) Zero Waste Grant Applications Report (Information – 10 Minutes)

6) Household Hazardous Waste Reduction of Hours Update (Information – 10 Minutes)

7) Program Manager Recruitment Update (Information – 5 Minutes)

8) Open Time for Member Comment (5 Minutes)

9) Adjourn.

Next LTF Meeting will be held on June 1, 2011 at 8:30 AM.
Next Executive Committee Meeting time and date is to be announced.
Next JPA Board Meeting time and date is to be announced.

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MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT
Joe Garbarino, Marin Sanitary
Jon Elam, Tamalpais CSD
Loretta Figueroa, Almonte Sanitary District
Steve McCaffrey, Redwood Empire Disposal
Renee Goddard, Ross Valley Cities
Tania Levy, Unincorporated Area
Elissa Giambastiani, San Rafael
Joan Irwin, Southern Marin Cities
Jennie Pardi, Conservation Corps
Delyn Kies, Sustainable Novato
Matt McCarron, Novato

MEMBERS ABSENT
Ramin Khany, Redwood Landfill
Greg Christie, Bay Cities
Judy Schriebman, LGVSD
Tamara Hull, Sustainable San Rafael
David Haskell, Sustainable Marin

STAFF PRESENT
Alex Soulard, JPA Staff
Kiel Gillis, JPA Staff

OTHERS PRESENT
Dee Johnson, Novato Sanitary District
Madeline Hope, West Marin Ed. Coord.
Lauren Schiller, The Hive Advertising
DeeAnn Budney, The Hive Advertising
Russ Greenfield, LGVSD
Roger Roberts, Marin Consv. League
Barbara Rothkrug, Resident
Casey Mazzoni, Marin Builders Assn.
Katie Garrison, CalRecycle

Call to Order. The Local Task Force (LTF) meeting came to order at 8:35 AM.

1. Open Time for Public Comment. The Hive Advertising, the firm hired to develop the JPA’s Zero Waste Outreach, made a strategy presentation to the LTF on the direction the program will take in the coming months. The presentation consisted of an overview of the Zero Waste Goal by 2025, existing grass roots and waste reduction programs occurring locally and nationally, and consumers reactions to different message types. The Hive concluded with the overall strategy of “Know Your Trash” then fielded feedback from members regarding the information presented. Feedback included the need to address food waste and plastics, multi-family recycling, keeping the message simple, identify the target audience and ensure the largest wasters be targeted, and that the program be designed around the community rather than top-down. Members noted satisfaction with the “Know your Trash” slogan as presented. Elissa Giambastiani stated the public relations aspect should include mailers and pamphlets. Jon Elam requested that The Hive provide an outline on what specific types of media will be used during this campaign. The Hive identified that adding a
PR component to this campaign would be beneficial to the programs success and suggested that LTF members would be able to help.

2. **Approval of the March 2, 2011 JPA Local Task Force Minutes.** M/s Figueroa, McCaffrey to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2011 LTF meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **County Single-Use Carry-Out Bag Regulated Businesses.** Staff reported on the Single-use Carry-Out Bag ban and provided a list of businesses effected by the ban. Staff also identified that the lawsuit will likely be heard in the Fall. Roger Roberts reported that the County has been tasked with developing a reusability standard for reusable bags and that the LTF Members may want to be involved in that process. Joan Irwin suggested that someone is sent to interact with the large number of effected businesses located in the Strawberry on this issue. No action was necessary.

4. **Urgency Executive Committee and JPA Board Meeting Update**
   Jon Elam provided an update on the Executive Committee Urgency Meeting held on March 18, 2011 to address the cost overrun at the San Rafael HHW Facility. Mr. Elam identified a reduction in operating hours in order to address costs. Joe Garbarino identified his dissatisfaction with the decision made and expressed that the facility will continue to serve residents and will not be turning people away. Tania Levy proposed the idea of having a use fee assessed for the HHW Facility. No action was necessary.

5. **Conflict of Interest – Form 700 Reminder**
   Staff reported on the progress made in collecting the required Conflict of Interest Forms from LTF Members. Jon Elam requested a list from Staff of members who have not provided the required information. No action was necessary.

6. **Other Possible Meeting Times for Location**
   Staff identified that a new location for LTF meetings needs to be established and asked members on their preference on meeting time and location. It was determined that Members prefer the same time, and that if members know of a suitable meeting location that they please contact Staff.

7. **Open Time for Member Comment**
   Madeline Hope reported the Recycle Circus is occurring April 17, 2011 from 10am-4pm in West Marin. Jon Elam stated that the Phonebook Recycle Guide is currently being updated and that if Members have any additions to ad that they advise Staff.

8. **Adjourn.**
4) County Single-Use Carry Out Bag Ban Update

The Department of Agricultural Weights and Measures, which will be instituting the County's Single-Use Carry-Out Bag Ordinance, has begun the recruitment process for an extra hire staff position to provide outreach to businesses affected by the ban and work with local cities. The Ag. Commissioner has also developed draft standards for reusable bags which are being revised with help from community members.

5) Zero Waste Grant Applications Report

Applications for the JPA's Zero Waste Grant Program are due on April 30, 2011. The County has received multiple applications and heard interest from several other communities. Some communities have expressed interest in working with the North Bay Conservation Corps to develop Secondary Zero Waste Programs. Information on all applications submitted will be available by the May 4th meeting date.

6) Household Hazardous Waste Reduction of Hours Update

To mitigate cost overruns at the San Rafael Household Hazardous Waste Facility the facility hours have been reduced from 6 days a week to Thursday - Saturday, 8am - 3:30pm. JPA Management, the Budget Subcommittee, the City of San Rafael, and the Facility Operator are in discussions to determine the necessary budget and level of service for FY 11/12.

7) Program Manager Recruitment Update

Initial interviews were conducted on April 12, 2011 by an interview panel of JPA Chair - Debbie Stutsman, Fairfax Town Manager - Michael Rock, and JPA Staff – Eric Lueder. Selection interviews will be conducted May 4, 2011.