

**MARIN COUNTY HAZARDOUS AND SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

**LTF Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 9, 2024
10:00 am – 11:00 am**

In Person: 1600 Los Gamos Drive, Suite 211 San Rafael, CA

LTF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Special Districts

Chair, Dale McDonald, Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District
Garrett Toy, Tamalpais Community Services District

Environmental Organizations

Susan Hopp, Plastic Free Marin
Kyle LaRue, Conservation Corps North Bay

Haulers

Greg Christie, Bay Cities Refuse
Justin Wilcock, Marin Sanitary Service
Celia Furber, Recology Sonoma-Marin

Public LTF Members

Matt McCarron, Novato
Jinesse Reynolds, Ross Valley
Deirdre Fennessy, Unincorporated
Chuck Hornbrook, Southern Marin

STAFF PRESENT

Casey Fritz (Staff)
Meilin Tsao (Staff)
Justin Newsome (Admin)

PUBLIC PRESENT

Lauren Mabe, UC Davis

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Call to Order Regular Meeting

Regular session was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

1. Open Time for Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)

No public comments

2. Approval of the November 7, 2024 JPA Local Task Force (LTF) Minutes

Motion to approve the LTF Meeting Minutes from November 7, 2024.

First Justin Wilcock

Second Matt McCarron

Vote Count

Dale McDonald: Aye

Garrett Toy: Aye

Kevin McElroy: Absent

Susan Hopp: Aye

Kyle LaRue: Aye

Greg Christie: Aye

Justin Wilcock: Aye

Celia Furber: Aye

Matt McCarron: Aye

Jinesse Reynolds: Aye

Deirdre Fennessy: Aye

Chuck Hornbrook: Aye

Ayes: 11 Noes: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

Motion passed

- Grammatical update requested: Item 3 (last sentence) – change to read “the response to the petition.”

3. Legislative Update

Staff Meilin Tsao informed the LTF parts of SB54 are enacted and there is a de facto ban on polystyrene food service ware (“Styrofoam”) which needed a 25% recycling rate (2%-4% currently). A full report from the state’s largest polystyrene producer on their recycling rate and are subject to the enforcement penalties per SB54 and is being enforced by CalRecycle. The report is being awaited by CalRecycle for enforcement measures on food service ware. Bi-metal cans are now deemed recyclable by CalRecycle and jurisdictions/haulers will now need to manage collection.

4. Update on ZWM Outreach Programs

Staff Casey Fritz shared the update for the reusable products from the Thursday Farmer’s Market (Civic Center) are from Sparkl Reuseables, providing the logistical support and materials. Vendors optionally opt-in, food is served on reusables, after food/drinks use the items are brought back to Sparkl for cleaning and return to vendors. Data is being collected for potential upscaling in the future based on merit from programming.

Staff Fritz shared the samples of the BYOC with the LTF and held open discussion for feedback on design and application.

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Additionally, plans for postcard mailer to community members regarding SB1383 will soon be sent out for education. A sample was shown to the LTF for feedback.

Information Only

Board Comments or Action Items.

- LTF members had questions regarding cup materials, and logistical details on pricing and services. Additional comments were surrounding design, information shared on SB1383 mailer, and desired impact of recipient.

Public Comments

No public comments

5. Report Out from Subcommittees

- Infrastructure and End Markets reported meeting regarding updates on Redwood Landfill, capacity planning, CRV buybacks and the accessibility and visibility of the stores that participate. Additionally, planning field trips to locations that would further education and will extend the invite to the LTF when planning is done.
- Compliance and Regulations reported the committee has yet to meet. However, and an update regarding Las Gallinas was provided: CalRecycle has reached out to agencies for compliance review to show shortcomings prior to penalty.
- Outreach and Education reported concerns of composting in multi-family dwellings, communication and compliance methods.
- Construction and Demo reported following up with towns on fast tracking deconstruction permitting with sustainability managers. Also, suggestion for meeting with Grace from Mill Valley.

6. Recommend Agenda Items for the Next LTF Meeting

Outreaching discussions, brief introductions, and longer meetings, education committee requesting data on green bins, and composting capacity for multi-family dwellings.

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Chair McDonald adjourned the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

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Board Chair: Please confirm the vote on this item by reading the following items out aloud after the vote.

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Ayes: _____

Noes: _____

Abstentions: _____