

MINUTES

Solano County Local Task Force (LTF) for Integrated Waste Management

Special Meeting of July 19, 2012

9:00 a.m.

Pacific Rim Recycling
3690 Sprig Dr., Benicia

Member Organization	Representative	Present
Allied Waste	Marie Knutson	X
CCL Organics	Dave Burnley	
City of Benicia	Tonya Gilmore	X
City of Dixon	Janet Koster	
City of Fairfield	Esther Blanco	X
City of Rio Vista	Jennifer Armer	
City of Suisun City	Amanda Dum	X
City of Vacaville	Brian McLean	
City of Vallejo	Derek Crutchfield	X
Concrush	Loriana Patterson	
County of Solano	Ed Padilla	X
County of Solano	Narcisa Untal	X
Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District	Kevin Cullen	
Pacific Rim Recycling	Steve Moore	X
Potrero Hills Landfill	Jim Dunbar	X
Potrero Hills Landfill (Alternate)	Natalie Hicks	
Recology Hay Road (Alternate)	Chris Taylor	
Recology Vacaville Solano / Recology Dixon (Alternate)	Fred Stemmler	X
Recology Vallejo	Lisa Lefebvre	X
Recycling Zone (Alternate)	Dave Ryan	X
Recycling Zone	Jack Waite	
Rio Vista Sanitation Service	Keith Nance	X
Sierra Club	Jane Bogner	X
Solano Community College	Jeff Lehfeldt	
Solano Garbage Company	Sandra Gonzalez	X
Travis Air Force Base	Dolores Tiburcio	X
VALCORE	Mark Nichols	
VALCORE	Erin Tator	X

GUESTS:

Jill Firch, CalRecycle
 Sal Conigip, Rio Vista Sanitation
 Robert Jaco, DR3
 Marissa Wong, City of Martinez

1. **Call to Order / Introductions**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dunbar at 9:00 a.m.

2. **Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

3. **Action Item(s)**

a. **Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of May 24, 2012 were approved.

4. **PRESENTATION**

a. **Mattress Recycling Program**

Robert Jaco introduced himself and gave a brief presentation on mattress recycling offered by DR3. They have been in business since 1999. They also have facilities in Florida and Connecticut. Eighty-five to ninety percent of a typical mattress can be recycled if it is broken down to its component parts of steel; foam; cotton and wood. They recycle over 100,000 mattresses and box springs every year. Some of their partners include Recology (San Francisco), Davis Street Transfer Station in San Leandro, Monterey Regional Waste Authority; City of Redding Transfer Station and Santa Cruz Resource Recovery. He noted that offering mattress recycling is a good way to increase reuse numbers. They provide a collection trailer which is replaced with an empty one when full. They take mattresses, box springs and futons.

Jim Dunbar thanked Robert Jaco for his presentation.

5. **Member Updates**

Jim Dunbar thanked Steve Moore of Pacific Rim Recycling for hosting the LTF meeting and offering a tour of the facilities.

Lisa Lefebvre, Recology Vallejo, reported that they held an e-waste and tire collection event. They also held a rummage sale to benefit a Relay for Life fundraiser.

Sandra, Solano Garbage, reported on their commercial and multi-family recycling programs. They also participated with Fairfield and Suisun City in a Green Week event to teach children how recycling can reduce the amount of garbage going into the landfills.

Dolores Tiburcio, Travis Air Force Base, an update of their Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan set to be reviewed by the Air Force chain of command. Their solid waste diversion goal is set for 55% in 2015; 60% in 2018 and 65% by 2020.

Amanda Dum, Suisun City, noted that she attended the Solano Regional Climate Action Plan Workshop on July 12th at the Solano County Government Center. The workshop was held by PG&E to offer public outreach on climate issues and future projections.

Derek Crutchfield, City of Vallejo, reported that after sending out information on AB341, he has been inundated with calls from businesses needing information on mandatory commercial recycling compliance. He also gave a presentation on recycling to a group comes into China. Also on Juneteenth the City gave away reusable bags in exchange for a pledge that they will use the reusable bags rather than the plastic bags. He also encouraged the jurisdictions to advertise the confidential paper shredding held on the third Saturday of every month at VALCORE in Vallejo. It is open to all Solano County residents.

Keith Nance, Rio Vista Sanitation Service, noted that they were also getting a lot of calls regarding commercial recycling. They also were holding a shredding event on Saturday at Trilogy in Rio Vista.

Erin Tator, VALCORE, also reported receiving many calls regarding AB341. VALCORE will be at the Thursday Farmers Market and composting classes will be taught by Jane Bogner the following Thursday Farmers Market. VALCORE is also encouraging shoppers at the farmers market to use reusable bags rather than the vendors' plastic bags.

Dave Ryan, Recycling Zone, reported that their volume has been good with many of their customers already complying with the mandatory commercial recycling law. Unincorporated Vallejo residents will be able to drop off bulky items this Saturday. Free compost is still available to Dixon and Vacaville residents.

Jill Firch, CalRecycle, noted that the Solano County Five Year Review of the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan went before the CalRecycle board and was approved.

Narcisa Untal, Solano County, thanked Ms. Firch for her efforts during the entire review process with CalRecycle. Referring to the letter from June Guidotti's attorney regarding her opposition to the approval of the Five Year Review, Ms. Untal stated that for any project to be included in the Siting Element it must first go thru the permitting process with Solano County Planning Division. She also announced that the Tire Amnesty Program has been extended to March 31, 2013. She also suggested that the jurisdictions consider the idea of collectively working together to provide a year round prescription take back program. She also described a new program for school gardens that would provide food for school lunches and the option to sell their produce at local farmers markets.

Jim Dunbar, Potrero Hills Landfill, noted that AB341 (mandatory commercial recycling compliance) was generating a lot of interest. He suggested the LTF consider a competition between jurisdictions. He also noted that elections for LTF Chair and Vice-

Chair will be held at the November meeting and asked that members start to think about nominations.

5. **Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

The next regular LTF meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 20, 2012
