

AGENDA

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 1:00 PM

Western Riverside Council of Governments 3390 University Avenue, Suite 200 Riverside, CA 92501

Remote Meeting Locations:

City of Lake Elsinore 130 S. Main Street Conference Room B Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

City of Murrieta
City Managers Conference Room 2C
1 Town Square
Murrieta, CA 92562

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER (Caleb Hargis, Chair)
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ROLL CALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public can address the Committee regarding any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee that are not separately listed on this agenda. Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak on agendized items at the time the item is called for discussion. No action may be taken on items not listed on the agenda unless authorized by law. Whenever possible, lengthy testimony should be presented to the Committee in writing and only pertinent points presented orally.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. Prior to the motion to consider any action by the Committee, any public comments on any of the Consent Items will be heard. There will be no separate action unless members of the Committee request specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar.

A. Summary Minutes from the February 15, 2023, Solid Waste Committee Meeting

Requested Action(s):

1. Approve the Summary Minutes from the February 15, 2023, Solid Waste Committee meeting.

B. EcoHero Shows Activities Update

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

C. Used Oil and Filter Recycling Program Activities Update

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

D. Electronic Annual Report Update

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION

Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak on agendized items at the time the item is called for discussion.

A. Regional Food Rescue & Technical Assistance Program Activities Update

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

B. Love Your Neighborhood Program Activities Update

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

C. Riverside County Waste Resources: Upcoming Classes and the Backyard Composting Program

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

D. SB 1383 Procurement Discussion

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

E. Solid Waste Dues Activities Update

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Members are invited to suggest additional items to be brought forward for discussion at future Committee meetings.

8. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members are invited to announce items / activities which may be of general interest to the Committee.

9. **NEXT MEETING**

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., in WRCOG's office at 3390 University Avenue, Suite 200, Riverside.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Solid Waste Committee

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Solid Waste Committee was called to order by Chair Caleb Hargis, at 1:01 p.m. on February 15, 2023, on the Zoom platform.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Hargis led members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

- City of Banning Holly Stuart
- City of Corona William Carrasco
- City of Eastvale Simone Blackwell
- City of Hemet Charles Russell*
- City of Jurupa Valley Abigail Gomez
- City of Menifee Kori Jones
- City of Moreno Valley Mitchell Quinonez
- City of Murrieta Kristen Crane
- City of Perris Liset Hernandez
- City of Riverside Christina Navaratnam*
- City of San Jacinto Caleb Hargis (Chair)
- City of Temecula Rodney Tidwell
- City of Wildomar Adam Jantz
- County of Riverside Kathleen Utter

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

- **5. CONSENT CALENDAR** (Wildomar / Riverside County) 12 yes; 0 no; 0 abstention. Items 5.A 5.C were approved.
- A. Summary Minutes from the November 16, 2022, Solid Waste Committee Meeting

Action:

- 1. Approved the Summary Minutes from the November 16, 2022, Solid Waste Committee meeting.
- B. Used Oil and Filter Recycling Program Activities Update

^{*}Arrived after Roll Call

Action:

1. Received and filed.

C. EcoHero Shows Activities Update

Action:

Received and filed.

6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION

A. Regional Food Recovery & Local Assistance Program Request for Proposals Update

Olivia Sanchez, WRCOG Program Manager, reported on a new regional Food Recovery Program similar to the one that was implemented in San Gabriel Valley, that is in compliance with SB 1383. Proposals were required to include a budget and cost breakdown for WRCOG's 18 member jurisdictions, with an equitable distribution of member contributions which would fund this project. Proposals were to be cost competitive for the 18 member jurisdictions, with a contract term of three years, with the option of two, one-year extensions. (The term of the proposal was later clarified as a one-year proposal and not three years, as was initially provided.)

The Scope of Work called for seven tasks centered around Tier I & Tier II compliance, food rescue programming, and inspections to satisfy SB 1383 compliance.

Two proposals were received – Proposer A: \$1,031,437 and included a city cost breakdown; Proposer B: \$1,057,768 and did not include a city cost breakdown.

Committee member Kristen Crane asked how Proposer A proportioned the cost between the cities.

Ms. Sanchez explained that Proposer A used population and availability of services (food waste generators & food recovery organizations). The numbers were predicted assuming all 18 member jurisdictions chose to participate.

The selection committee members are still reviewing proposals and interviewing proposers, so any questions will be brought forth to them for clarification.

Committee member Charles Russell asked if this would be an eligible expenditure for the SB 1383 Grant.

Ms. Sanchez replied that yes, it would be eligible.

Chair Hargis asked if CalRecycle was offering an extension on the Local Assistance Grant.

Ms. Sanchez responded that there was some discussion about grants and SB 1383, but she will follow up when there is more concrete information.

Action:

1. Received and filed.

B. Residential and Commercial Rate Survey Regarding Fees and Programs from Local Waste Haulers

Mei Wu, WRCOG Staff Analyst, presented on the results of the yearly Residential and Commercial Rate Survey for refuse, recycling, and organics collection. Historically, both residential and commercial rates have increased by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) based on U.S. Bureau of Labor statistics, or to accommodate an 8.6% increase in disposal rate set by County of Riverside's Waste Management Department. The increase may also be affected by COVID-19 or the Green Sword Policy adopted by China in 2018, which sets strict restrictions on contaminated recyclables.

The rate survey serves as a resource for member agencies to compare and better understand the rates and services provided by waste haulers of neighboring jurisdictions.

Committee member Kristen Crane asked which agencies have implemented single-family residential organics services, noting that the City of Murrieta is preparing to implement one in April.

Ms. Wu indicated that she will add it as a follow-up item.

Committee member Christina Navaratnam stated that the City of Riverside implemented a successful city-wide residential food waste program, and Committee member Simone Blackwell added that the City of Eastvale also implemented residential organic waste recycling in October 2022.

Action:

1. Received and filed.

C. Recycling Education Outreach Grant Update

Olivia Sanchez, WRCOG Program Manager, presented on a grant application to the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for recycling education and outreach. Recently, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law was passed to provide the EPA with \$60B over five years for a wide range of environmental programs.

The grant project proposal is designed to create a comprehensive training program and a user-friendly toolkit to provide residents and businesses with resources that explain the most current consumer recycling information in concise and clear terms, simplifying the recycling process.

The outreach is designed to reach all of WRCOG's 18 participating jurisdictions, including school districts throughout Western Riverside County.

Program goals include outreach material development, outreach booths, toolkits, recycling workshops, recycling ambassador workshops, and outreach programming in schools.

The grant application was due February 15, 2023, and has been submitted.

Committee member William Carrasco asked if the grant is a regional grant for all member jurisdictions, similar to the Used Oil Grant.

Mrs. Sanchez confirmed that it was a regional grant, but the money is allocated differently than the Used Oil Grant, which is a payment program, whereas the Recycling Education and Outreach Grant is a regular competitive grant from the EPA. If approved, a third party would be used for the school outreach presentations similar to the Storm Water and Used Oil education.

In partnership with Flood Control, EcoHero has been contracted for this fiscal year to provide outreach to schools, and staff is currently scheduling at least one school per jurisdiction. A schedule will be sent out to Committee members once one has been established.

Action:

1. Received and filed.

D. Greenleaf Power Presentation: How Biomass Electricity Can Satisfy SB 1383 Requirements

Mitchell Martin from Greenleaf Power gave a presentation on the Southern California Edible Food Recovery Program that was created in order to meet the requirements of SB 1383 and provided information on options to lower and simplify the cost for compliance.

Jurisdictions may comply with SB 1383 procurement of Recovered Organic Waste Products (ROWP) by working with a direct service provider to meet a procurement target. ROWP options include compost, mulch, renewable gas, and biomass-to-electricity, which are tracked and recorded to verify what percentage is SB 1383 compliant. These fuels are converted into power that is put onto California's electric grid. Power usage is then tracked and purchased by jurisdictions through their provider. When a jurisdiction enters into an agreement with Desert View Power (DVP), the jurisdiction provides their power bill to DVP, which then compiles all of the necessary documentation to prove "X" percentage of procurement obligations in order to meet SB 1383 requirements. The only limitation is that jurisdictions may only take credit for as much electricity that it uses.

The DVP facility in Mecca has been around since 1991; it is 100% renewable energy, and powers about two-thirds of the Coachella Valley. It brings in as much of the agricultural material as possible in an effort to reduce the open burning of these materials which would otherwise potentially release pollutants, particulate matter, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, and volatile organic compounds.

DVP is offering contract terms of five years with extension options. DVP does the work for the compliance attributes and will provide the documents and attestations to meet all or part of jurisdictions' SB 1383 requirements.

Committee member Charles Russell asked if this was eligible for the SB 1383 Grant.

Mrs. Sanchez responded that she would reach out to CalRecycle and provide an answer to the group.

Committee member William Carrasco asked about reactions from city councils after hearing this presentation because to him, it seems that jurisdictions would be paying for electricity that is not necessarily directly benefiting the residents of the city.

Mr. Martin responded that he has had individual conversations with City Council members, and has City Council meetings scheduled soon. Mr. Martin clarified that the limitation is specific to the municipal

usage, and while it is not being used by the rate payer directly, it is used for municipal operations.

Action:

1. Received and filed.

7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were no items for future agendas.

8. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no general announcements.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., at WRCOG's office located at 3300 University Avenue, Suite 200, Riverside.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Solid Waste Committee adjourned at 2:02 p.m.



Staff Report

Subject: EcoHero Shows Activities Update

Contact: Mei Wu, Staff Analyst I, mwu@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6734

Date: May 17, 2023

Requested Action(s):

1. Receive and file.

Purpose:

The purpose of this item is to provide an update on the EcoHero Shows.

WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #6 - Develop and implement programs that support resiliency for the subregion.

Background:

The Solid Waste and Recycling Program is housed under WRCOG's Environmental Department, which assists member agencies in developing strategies to reduce short-lived climate pollutants. The waste diversion goals set by California under legislation (AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826, AB 827, and SB 1383) require local jurisdictions to implement techniques that promote resident and business recycling and organic recycling. To regionally address these measures, WRCOG formed the Solid Waste Committee (SWC), comprised of participating WRCOG member jurisdictions.

For Fiscal Year 2022/2023, WRCOG, in collaboration with the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (Flood Control), through the Love Your Neighborhood Program, contracted with the EcoHero Show to provide educational, interactive shows to schools on the proper recycling of used oil and household hazardous waste and the importance of stormwater pollution prevention. The shows are funded through WRCOG's Used Oil Program using grant funding from CalRecyle's Oil Payment Program Cycle 11 and the Love Your Neighborhood Program which is sponsored by Flood Control. The contract includes up to 16 in-person whole-school assemblies, 22 virtual whole-school assemblies, 66 virtual classroom presentations, or a mix of the options, at elementary schools across Western Riverside County.

Completed EcoHero Shows

During this fiscal year, EcoHero performed nine in-person whole-school assemblies, one virtual whole-school assembly, and nine classroom presentations between November and December at several elementary schools throughout Western Riverside County, reaching approximately 5,000 students. The shows highlight the Santa Ana and Santa Margarita Rivers and contain a series of interactive songs and

trivia questions related to littering, recycling, and proper disposal of household hazardous waste. The EcoHero team is working to schedule additional shows. The table below reflects the shows completed and scheduled thus far.

| Date | School | District | Number Students Reached | Show Type |
|------------|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 11/14/2022 | Wildomar Elementary | Lake Elsinore Unified | 550 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 11/15/2022 | Benjamin Franklin Elementary | Corona-Norco Unified | 700 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 11/17/2022 | E. Hale Curran Elementary | Murrieta Valley Unified | 580 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 11/18/2022 | Manuel L. Real Elementary | Val Verde Unified | 240 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 12/01/2022 | Troth Street Elementary | Jurupa Unified | 645 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 12/01/2022 | Springs Charter School- Temecula Student Center | Riverside County Office of Education | 280 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 3/16/2023 | Machado Elementary | Lake Elsinore Unified | 21 | Classroom Presentation |
| 03/20/2023 | Julia Lee Performing Arts Academy | Riverside County Office of Education | 23 | Classroom Presentation |
| 3/22/2023 | Hemmerling Elementary | Banning Unified | 22 | Classroom Presentation |
| 3/23/2023 | Hemmerling Elementary | Banning Unified | 22 | Classroom Presentation |
| 3/27/2023 | Withrow Elementary | Lake Elsinore Unified | 20 | Classroom Presentation |
| 3/31/2023 | Central Elementary | Banning Unified | 22 | Classroom Presentation |
| 4/4/2023 | De Anza Elementary | San Jacinto Unified | 26 | Classroom Presentation |
| 4/12/2023 | Brookside Elementary | Beaumont Unified | 720 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 4/14/2023 | Philistine Rondo School of Discovery | Corona-Norco Unified | 190 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 4/28/2023 | Keith McCarthy Academy | Lake Elsinore Unified | 130 | Virtual Whole School Assembly |
| 4/28/2023 | Withrow Elementary | Lake Elsinore Unified | 26 | Classroom Presentation |
| 4/28/2023 | Withrow Elementary | Lake Elsinore Unified | 26 | Classroom Presentation |
| 5/11/2023 | Val Verde Elementary | Val Verde Unified | 250 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |
| 5/24/2023 | San Jacinto Elementary | San Jacinto Unified | 400 | In-Person Whole School Assembly |

Prior Action(s):

February 15, 2023: The Solid Waste Committee received and filed.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact. EcoHero Show activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Years 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 Budget under the Love Your Neighborhood Program and the Used Oil Program under Fund 1035 and 2056.

Attachment(s):



Staff Report

Subject: Used Oil and Filter Recycling Program Activities Update

Contact: Olivia Sanchez, Program Manager, osanchez@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6721

Date: May 17, 2023

Requested Action(s):

1. Receive and file.

Purpose:

The purpose of this item is to provide an update on the Used Oil Program, program events, and community outreach activities.

WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #2 - Identify and help secure grants and other potential funding opportunities for projects and programs that benefit member agencies.

Background:

WRCOG continues to engage the public with its digital campaigns to educate the public on where to properly recycle their used oil and exchange used oil filters for up to two free new ones. Members of the public participate via Facebook by clicking on advertisement that opens an online survey. Upon completion of the survey, participants receive a voucher that provides the date, time, and instructions for participation, and is valid for a free oil filter exchange. Exchanges are available on Saturdays from the time a Certified Collection Center (CCC) auto parts store opens until 5:00 p.m. Staff corresponds with each CCC auto parts store before events, confirming safety measures and procedures are in place. Additional efforts to increase attendance for used oil filter collection events are currently under review.

During Fiscal Year (FY) 2022/2023 the following events have been held to date:

| Date | Location | Attendance | Number of Oil Filters Exchanged |
|-----------|---------------|------------|------------------------------------|
| 7/9/2022 | Perris | 180 | 39 |
| 7/16/2022 | Riverside | 157 | 124 |
| 7/30/2022 | Lake Elsinore | 91 | 30 |
| 8/20/2022 | Temecula | 111 | 114 |
| 8/26/2022 | Banning | 95 | 38 |
| 9/10/2022 | Jurupa Valley | 148 | 65 |
| 9/24/2022 | Murrieta | 95 | 42 |
| 10/1/2022 | Norco | 36 | 33 |

| 10/22/2022 | San Jacinto | 104 | 52 |
|------------|-------------------|-----|-----|
| 11/5/2022 | Hemet | 67 | 16 |
| 11/12/2022 | Eastvale | 39 | 40 |
| 11/19/2022 | Riverside | 129 | 84 |
| 12/3/2022 | Calimesa | 56 | 18 |
| 1/14/2023 | Eastvale | 157 | 98 |
| 1/21/2023 | Jurupa Valley | 163 | 85 |
| 1/28/2023 | Lake Elsinore | 64 | 13 |
| 2/4/2023 | Menifee | 115 | 62 |
| 2/18/2023 | Murrieta | 138 | 40 |
| 3/25/2023 | Perris | 65 | 35 |
| 4/01/2023 | San Jacinto | TBD | TBD |
| 4/8/2023 | Hemet | TBD | TBD |
| 5/13/2023 | /13/2023 Calimesa | | TBD |

Upcoming FY 2022/2023 events include the following through June 30:

| Date | Location | | |
|---------|-----------|--|--|
| 5/13/23 | Calimesa | | |
| 5/20/23 | Riverside | | |
| 5/27/23 | Corona | | |
| 6/10/23 | Menifee | | |
| 6/24/23 | Norco | | |

Prior Action(s):

February 15,2023: The Solid Waste Committee received and filed.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact. Used Oil Program activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget under the Environmental Department under Fund 140. Any expenses incurred by WRCOG are reimbursed through a Grant from CalRecycle.

Attachment(s):



Staff Report

Subject: Electronic Annual Report Update

Contact: Olivia Sanchez, Program Manager, osanchez@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6721

Date: May 17, 2023

Requested Action(s):

1. Receive and file.

Purpose:

The purpose of this item is to provide information on the upcoming CalRecycle Electronic Annual Report for participating member cities.

WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #6 - Develop and implement programs that support resiliency for the subregion.

Background:

The Solid Waste and Recycling Program is housed under WRCOG's Environmental Department, which assists member agencies in developing strategies to reduce short-lived climate pollutants. The waste diversion goals set by California under legislation (AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826, AB 827, and SB 1383) require local jurisdictions to implement techniques that promote resident and business recycling and organic recycling. To regionally address these measures, WRCOG formed the Solid Waste Committee (SWC), comprised of participating WRCOG member jurisdictions.

The Electronic Annual Report (EAR) describes the progress a jurisdiction has made in achieving the requirements of the Integrated Waste Management Act (AB 939, Chapter 1095, Statutes of 1989) and the Per Capita Disposal Measurement Act of 2008 (Chapter 343, Statutes of 2008 [Wiggins, SB 1016]). The EAR also includes status on any planned and/or implemented solid waste diversion programs and facilities. These reports were submitted on, or before, August 1.

This year WRCOG staff will also be reporting on the first full year of SB 1383 implementation. As with last year, staff and member agencies will be using Google Documents to memorialize and update those activities; a link will be provided via email for city and waste hauler staff to update. This will allow WRCOG, member agencies, and waste haulers to draft a report well in advance of the submission due date, which is August 1. However, WRCOG staff will be uploading into the CalRecycle portal by the last week of July. WRCOG staff will conduct one-on-one meetings with each participating member city and, at their request, with their waste hauler to gather necessary data, which includes disposal and recycling tonnages, educational and outreach events, and any program changes confirmed by both the jurisdiction and the waste hauler. Those meeting requests are forth coming.

WRCOG staff will attend any CalRecycle EAR webinars. Staff is also available to assist with any CalRecycle annual calls or site visits. Staff has been communicating consistently with CalRecycle on the continued SB 1383 regulations. This year, WRCOG will submit EARs on behalf of the Cities of Banning, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Lake Elsinore, Murrieta, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, and Wildomar. If additional information is required by CalRecycle, WRCOG will follow-up accordingly and notify jurisdictions of any updates.

Staff is available for any questions regarding the EAR for 2022.

Prior Action(s):

August 18, 2021: The Solid Waste Committee received and filed.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact. Solid Waste and Recycling Program activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget under the Environmental Department under Fund 110 (General Fund). This adopted budget includes staff time and consultant costs associated with the preparation and submittal of the grant application.

Attachment(s):



Staff Report

Subject: Regional Food Rescue & Technical Assistance Program Activities Update

Contact: Olivia Sanchez, Program Manager, osanchez@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6721

Date: May 17, 2023

Requested Action(s):

1. Receive and file.

Purpose:

The purpose of this item is to provide an update on the Regional Food Rescue and Technical Assistance Program.

WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #4 - Communicate proactively about the role and activities of the Council of Governments.

Background:

The waste diversion goals set by California under legislation (AB 939, AB 341, AB 1826, AB 827, and SB 1383) require local jurisdictions to implement techniques that promote resident and business recycling and organic recycling. To regionally address these measures, WRCOG formed the Solid Waste Committee (SWC), comprised of participating WRCOG member jurisdictions.

Regional Food Rescue and Technical Assistance Request for Proposals

SB 1383 is a 'short-lived climate pollutant' bill that addresses reducing organic waste disposal by 75%, and rescuing at least 20% of currently disposed surplus food by the year 2025. Organic waste in landfills emits 20% of the State's methane. SB 1383 outlines specific mandatory requirements for local jurisdictions to undertake to meet these goals. Jurisdictions that fail to comply with SB 1383 requirements could be subject to financial penalties. WRCOG has been updating its member agencies regarding SB 1383 in a variety of means, including regular meetings of the SWC and other Committees.

WRCOG staff, at the request of the SWC members, reached out to staff at the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG), who had developed a regional edible food program that could serve as a model for WRCOG to replicate. Based on the feedback from a survey of WRCOG member cities and the presentation to SWC members provided by SGVCOG, WRCOG staff issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a consultant to provide a scope of work and associated costs for an edible food rescue program. The primary purpose of the RFP was to determine the cost of a regional program and whether there were vendors which could manage and implement this type of program to meet the needs

of member agencies seeking the assistance.

The RFP was posted on December 27, 2022, and closed on January 26, 2023. The SWC review team scored the two submitted proposals and conducted interviews on February 28, 2023. The two proposals were close in cost and each scored very close as well. The interviews revealed that both firms and their subcontractors were well adept at providing the services; however, there was consensus on one proposal that the reviewers wanted to progress. In addition, the SWC review team wanted to ensure that other SWC members who were not at the interviews could ask pertinent questions of the selected proposer. WRCOG staff scheduled a meeting on March 14, 2023, in which the review panel, which included the Cities of Jurupa Valley and San Jacinto, discussed and reviewed the proposal.

Some reasons cited by the review panel for the preferred proposal include:

- Local firm (based in Riverside County)
- Multi-lingual capabilities
- Knowledge of Riverside County
- Specialization in SB 1383 outreach projects
- Previous experience working with WRCOG member agencies

Areas that the proposal included:

- Project management team coordination
- Capacity and compliance food recovery agencies, Tier 1 & Tier 2 edible food waste compliance
- Public outreach communications & education plan, research, surveys, audience mapping, media audit
- Implementation of outreach and education plan
- Inspection schedule and plan Tier 1 & Tier 2
- Regional food recovery plan Careit mobile application database, written plan
- Final Report

Staff presented this item to Technical Advisory Committee members in March to gauge their interest in participating in a regional program to implement SB 1383. Members of the SWC are interested in a regional program, with the City of Moreno Valley moving forward as of the writing of this Staff Report to adopt an agreement with WRCOG for this Program.

The budget presented in the proposal is broken down by city for a one-year total of \$1,031,437. The selected consultant, MSW Consultants, would perform the same scope of work during contract years two and three. Any subsequent contract years at hourly rates will be increased by no more than the annual change in the Consumer Price Index. If the level of effort decreases after contract year one, MSW Consultants will negotiate a revised scope of work with WRCOG and the member jurisdictions. Member costs to implement a regional program could be offset by funds provided by the SB 1383 Planning Grant Program.

WRCOG staff has reached out to all SWC member cities regarding participation; however, not all cities have chosen to move forward. This brings down the total amount to \$595,736 for the first year - this amount includes cities that are in the process of bringing this item to their City Councils for execution. The agreement term for this RFP is three years from the date of execution with the option of two, one-year extensions. The total amount for these eight cities that are looking to move forward with the project

over the three years is \$1.8M.

The agreement includes a "not to exceed" clause and is specific to task orders for each participating city, whereby work cannot commence until approved and ordered by WRCOG. Each task order will identify which tasks in the scope will be performed by MSW Consultants for each city. The WRCOG administrative fee for each agreement with participating cities is 7.5% of the total for each city and WRCOG will bill accordingly. MSW Consultants will also invoice WRCOG and provide reports of work completed to be provided with each invoice.

The Scope of Services in this proposal will allow participating cities to be in compliance with SB 1383.

Prior Action(s):

February 15, 2023: The Solid Waste Committee received and filed.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact. Solid Waste and Recycling Program activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget under the Environmental Department under Fund 110 (General Fund). Funding for this Program comes from member dues for those member agencies which elect to participate in the Solid Waste Committee. The implementation of a new initiative related to the implementation of SB 1383 is not currently funded in the Solid Waste and Recycling Program. Any future implementation of a regional program related to SB 1383 would be funded through contributions from participating members.

Attachment(s):



Staff Report

Subject: Love Your Neighborhood Program Activities Update

Contact: Mei Wu, Staff Analyst I, mwu@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6734

Date: May 17, 2023

Requested Action(s):

1. Receive and file.

Purpose:

The purpose of this item is to share the Love Your Neighborhood program updates.

WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #6 - Develop and implement programs that support resiliency for the subregion.

Background:

The Love Your Neighborhood initiative was brought to WRCOG as a collaborative effort from the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. The initiative supports marketing and awareness on illegal disposal and littering, using online platforms. Program goals include quantifiable results tracking litter removal, increased pollution prevention, meeting objectives with the MS4 Permits, and complying with California mandates related to solid waste, recycling, and household hazardous waste, which aligns with WRCOG's Energy and Environmental Programs.

This Program was extended for three years through June 2027 with funding from the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. The Program will receive \$50,000 each year to administer the Program throughout the subregion of Western Riverside County and to support efforts in the Eastern section of Riverside County under collaboration with the Coachella Valley Association Governments and its member cities. Funding helps to provide materials for communities to complete successful community clean ups, organized by the City or by members of the community.

On April 22, 2023, WRCOG staff attended the Better Together event in the City of Menifee, which consisted of a bulky item collection, community clean ups, tree planting, and senior home revitalization. Staff provided gloves and bags to community member attendees as they dispersed to different areas to clean up trash and debris. Trash collected was added to the bulky items trash bins provided by Waste Management, Inc. The overall tonnage from this event was combined with the bulky item collection which was approximately 17 tons.

On April 29, 2023, WRCOG staff attended the Simpson Park Restoration project in the City of Hemet, which consisted of painting, tree planting and trash pick up. Staff provided gloves and bags to

community member attendees as they dispersed to different areas of the park to clean up trash and debris. Trash collected was placed in a 40-yd bin provided by CR&R and was half full by the end of the event. The overall tonnage from this event was .41 tons.

Upcoming events will be held in the City of Perris on May 20, 2023, in the City of Lake Elsinore on June 10, 2023, and in the City of Jurupa Valley on June 17, 2023. Final locations and program flyers are forthcoming.

Anyone interested in participating in this free program should contact staff.

Prior Action(s):

None.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact. The Love Your Neighborhood Program activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget under the Environmental Department under Fund 101.

Attachment(s):

Attachment 1 - Menifee Better Together Day 2023 Attachment 2 - Simpson Restoration Project

<u>Attachment</u>

Menifee Better Together Day 2023



SATURDAY, APRIL 22 | 7 AM TO 12 PM

VOLUNTEERS ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THESE PROJECTS!

All Volunteers are required to be pre-registered.

REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER BY FOLLOWING THE QR CODE TO THE RIGHT OR VISIT/CLICK HTTPS://DONATE.HABITATIV.ORG/VOLUNTEER_CALENDAR



Join us as we celebrate 11 years of our Menifee Better Together Project!

7:3<u>0 AM</u> Kick-Off Ceremony

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints 29725 Bradley Rd., Menifee, CA 92586

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Thank-You **BBQ** to follow

- Habitat for Humanity Senior Home Revitalization
- Flower Pot Creation Activity
- Planting Native Plants with Park Rangers
- Replanting Trees Project
- Covid-19 Memorial Rock Painting
- Quail Valley Clean Up (See Reverse)







Thank you to our Sponsors!





















For More Information

Community Services Department 29995 Evans Road | 951-723-3880 www.cityofmenifee.us/communityservices



FREE BULKY ITEM DROP-OFF EVENT!







Residents can drop off bulky items for FREE at this community collection event!

Saturday, Feb 11, 2023 - 8:00 am - Mt. San Jacinto College

Saturday, Apr 22, 2023 - 8:00 am - Kabian Park

Saturday, Sep 23, 2023 - 8:00 am - Heritage High School

Saturday, Nov 4, 2023 - 8:00 am - Sun City Civic Association

Proof of residency is required. If you are unable to attend this event, you can schedule up to 4 free bulky item curb pick-up each year by calling Waste Management at (800) 423-9986.

+ Accepted Items:

- Appliances
 (refrigerators,
 freezers, washers,
 dryers) limit 3 per
 vehicle
- Air Conditioners
- Barbecue Grills
- Bundled Branches
- Bagged Green Waste

- Computers
- Chairs
- Couches
- Furniture
- Mattresses (limit 3 per vehicle)
- Microwaves
- Patio Furniture
- TVs

X Prohibited Items:

- Batteries
- Bleach, Tub or Tile Cleaner
- Commercial Waste
- Empty Drums
- Engines, Motor Parts
- Explosives/Ammunition
- Fertilizer/ Herbicides
- Fluorescent Tubes
- Gasoline/Diesel Fuel

- Hazardous Waste
- Infectious Waste
- Latex or Oil Paint
- Medications
- Motor Oil
- Pool Chemicals
- Propane Tanks
- Sharps
- Tires

To dispose of prohibited items visit rcwaste.org or call (951) 486-3200

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED - Interested volunteers can call the Community Services Department at (951) 723-3880.



City of Menifee (951) 723-3880

Waste Management (800) 423-9986

Riverside County Dept. of Waste Resources (951) 486-3200

¡EVENTO GRATIS DE ENTREGA DE ARTÍCULOS GRANDES!







¡Residentes pueden dejar artículos grandes por GRATIS en este evento comunitario!

Sábado, 11 de Feb 2023 - 8:00 am - Mt. San Jacinto College **Sábado. 22 de Abr 2023** - 8:00 am - Kabian Park Sábado, 23 de Sept 2023 - 8:00 am - Heritage High School Sábado, 4 de Nov 2023 - 8:00 am - Sun City Civic Association

Se requiere prueba de residencia. Si no puede asistir, puede programar hasta 4 recogidas de artículos grandes gratis cada año llamando a Manejo de Desechos al (800) 423-9986.

Artículos aceptados:

- Electrodomésticos (refrigeradores, congeladores, lavadoras, secadoras)
 - límite 3 por vehículo Colchones (límite
- Aire Acondicionados
- Parrillas de barbacoa
- Ramas agrupadas
- Desechos Verdes en Bolsas

- Computadoras
- Sillas
- Sofás
- Muebles
- 3 por vehículo)
- microondas
- Muebles de Jardín
- Televisións

X Artículos prohibidos:

- Baterías
- Bleach, Limpiador de Tinas Desechos Infecciosos
- Desecho de negocios
- Tambores Vacíos
- Explosivos / Munición
- Fertilizantes/ Herbicidas
- Tubos Fluorescentes
- Gasolina/Diésel

- Desechos Peligrosos
- Látex o Pintura Óleo
- Medicamentos

- Químicos de Piscinas
- Tanques de Propano
- Objetos Punzantes
- Llantas

Para desechar artículos prohibidos visite rcwaste.org o llame al (951) 486-3200

SE NECESITA VOLUNTARIOS - Voluntarios pueden llamar al Depto. de Servicios Comunitarios al (951) 723-3880.



Ciudad de Menifee

(951) 723-3880

Manejo de Desechos

(800) 423-9986

Depto. de Recursos de Desechos del Condado de Riverside (951) 486-3200

<u>Attachment</u>

Simpson Park Restoration Project





Staff Report

Subject: Riverside County Waste Resources: Upcoming Classes and the Backyard

Composting Program

Contact: Olivia Sanchez, Program Manager, osanchez@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6721

Date: May 17, 2023

Requested Action(s):

1. Receive and file.

Purpose:

The purpose of this item is to provide an overview of Riverside County's Waste Resources solid waste program of free classes and their Backyard Composting program.

WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #4 - Communicate proactively about the role and activities of the Council of Governments.

Background:

This item is reserved for a presentation by Janet Moreland, Supervising Recycling Specialist, Riverside County Waste Resources.

Prior Action(s):

None.

Fiscal Impact:

Solid Waste and Recycling Program activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget under the Environmental Department under Fund 110 (General Fund). Funding for this Program comes from member dues for those member agencies which elect to participate in the Solid Waste Committee.

Attachment(s):



Staff Report

Subject: SB 1383 Procurement Discussion

Contact: Olivia Sanchez, Program Manager, osanchez@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6721

Date: May 17, 2023

Requested Action(s):

1. Receive and file.

Purpose:

The purpose of this item is to provide an update on SB 619 and SB 1383 implementation capacity planning data distribution.

WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #6 - Develop and implement programs that support resiliency for the subregion.

Background:

WRCOG's Solid Waste Committee (SWC) was formed after the adoption of AB 939, "The Integrated Waste Management Act," to regionally address the waste diversion goals in Western Riverside County. California has continued to pass legislation (AB 341, AB 1826, AB 827, and SB 1383) requiring jurisdictions to implement processes that promote business and multi-family complex recycling and organics recycling programs. The SWC works with WRCOG's member agencies, its partners, and CalRecycle, meeting quarterly to discuss solid waste issues and ways to address mandates.

SB 1383 (Short-lived Climate Pollutants) establishes methane emissions reduction targets in a statewide effort to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants in various sectors of California's economy. This legislation establishes targets to achieve a 50% reduction in the statewide disposal of organic waste, based on 2014 levels, by the year 2020, and a 75% reduction by 2025. SB 1383 also establishes an additional target by the year 2025 for edible food disposed of, requiring at least 20% to be recovered for human consumption.

Signed into law in 2016, SB 1383 calls for a dramatic reduction in the amount of food, yard, and other organic waste that is thrown away in order to reduce methane, a climate super polluter. As part of those regulations, cities must procure recycled organic products. As of January 1, 2022, all cities are required to be in full compliance with their SB 1383 regulation procurement requirements. However, due to the lack of statewide organic waste processing infrastructure, not all cities are in full compliance. The procurement requirement has been a challenge for some local agencies.

In September 2022, AB 1985 was signed and is intended to help mitigate some of those challenges. AB

1985 creates a phase-in timeline for administrative civil penalties for local jurisdictions which fail to procure the quantity of recovered organic waste products required by SB 1383 regulations. Beginning January 1, 2023, penalties may be imposed if a local jurisdiction does not meet or exceed 30% of its procurement target. On January 1, 2024, penalties may be imposed if a local jurisdiction does not meet or exceed 65% of its procurement target. On January 1, 2025, penalties may be imposed if a local jurisdiction does not meet or exceed its procurement target. (Public Resources Code section 42652.5.) The new legislation also provides regulators the option to further relax this schedule at their discretion.

Earlier in the year, WRCOG staff surveyed SWC member cities regarding SB 1383 procurement practices. The following are the responses from participants:

| Project | Location(s) |
|---|---|
| Mulch Procurement | Parks / Green Areas |
| Land Analysis Study for Compost / Mulch Application | City Parks Pilot |
| Compost Giveaway | To the Public at Bulky Item Collection Events |
| Compost Giveaway | Only to the Public, Own Event |
| Condition Developers to Install Mulch on Behalf of the City | Various |
| Hauler RNG Usage (possible) | Various |

Committee members will have an opportunity to discuss these procurement tactics and other ways to fulfill their procurement requirement. A presentation and discussion from CalRecycle's Andrew Smyth on procurement will also be presented.

Prior Action(s):

February 16, 2022: The Solid Waste Committee received and filed.

Fiscal Impact:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact. Solid Waste and Recycling Program activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget under the Environmental Department under Fund 110 (General Fund). Funding for this Program comes from member dues for those member agencies which elect to participate in the Solid Waste Committee. The implementation of a new initiative related to the implementation of SB 1383 is not currently funded in the Solid Waste and Recycling Program.

Attachment(s):



Staff Report

Subject: Solid Waste Dues Activities Update

Contact: Casey Dailey, Energy & Environment Director, cdailey@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6720

Date: May 17, 2023

Requested Action(s):

1. Receive and file.

Purpose:

The purpose of this item is to provide an update to the Solid Waste Committee on the Solid Waste Cooperation dues.

WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #3 - Ensure fiscal solvency and stability of the Western Riverside Council of Governments.

Background:

WRCOG's Solid Waste Committee (SWC) was formed after the adoption of AB 939, "The Integrated Waste Management Act," to regionally address the waste diversion goals in Western Riverside County. California has continued to pass legislation (AB 341, AB 1826, AB 827, and SB 1383) requiring jurisdictions to implement processes that promote business and multi-family complex recycling and organics recycling programs. The SWC works with WRCOG's member agencies, its partners, and CalRecycle, meeting quarterly to discuss solid waste issues and ways to address mandates.

In 2007, the Solid Waste Cooperative Program started its dues structure with the cost at \$.17 per occupied housing unit. The cost for the annual report preparation was also set at \$2,044.92, which was the equivalent of a portion of a full-time employee of WRCOG. At the time there were only 13 participating jurisdictions. Since then, the number of participants has increased, as has the populations and complex, mandated solid waste legislation. Staff have continued training on those regulations, formed relationships with CalRecycle, provided workshops and technical assistance, written grants, managed solid waste projects, and provided additional reporting of SB 1383 in the annual electronic reports.

The Solid Waste program continues to benefit those member agencies which opt in to receive services. The costs of labor and materials have grown and the scope of those services has expanded as state mandates have increased. Despite these increases, the Solid Waste fees charged to those agencies which opt into the Program have not been adjusted in more than 10 years. The WRCOG-approved FY 2023/2024 budget includes fee increases to the Solid Waste Program ranging from \$1,116 to \$8,241, based on jurisdiction size and whether the jurisdiction opts in for a second service. This is necessary in

order for the Program to be self-sufficient.

The updated dues structure is as follows:

| Jurisdiction | Current SWC Dues | Current EAR Fee | Total Current Dues | New SWC Dues | New EAR Fee | New Dues + New EAR Fee |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| BEAUMONT | \$2,789.70 | | \$2,789.70 | \$3,626.61 | | \$3.626.61 |
| BANNING | \$1,952.62 | \$2,044.92 | \$3,997.54 | \$2,538.41 | \$3,721.38 | \$6,259.79 |
| CALIMESA | \$710.77 | \$2,044.92 | \$2,755.69 | \$924.00 | \$3,721.38 | \$4,645.38 |
| CANYON LAKE | \$676.94 | \$2,044.92 | \$2,721.86 | \$880.02 | \$3,721.38 | \$4,601.40 |
| CORONA | \$8,235.48 | \$2,044.92 | \$10,280.40 | \$10,706.12 | \$3,721.38 | \$14,427.50 |
| EASTVALE | \$2,834.75 | | \$2,834.75 | \$3,685.18 | | \$3,685.18 |
| HEMET | \$5,332.73 | \$2,044.92 | \$7,377.65 | \$6,932.55 | \$3,721.38 | \$10,653.93 |
| JURUPA VALLEY | \$4,695.74 | | \$4,695.74 | \$6,104.46 | | \$6,104.46 |
| MENIFEE | \$5,823.52 | | \$7,868.44 | \$7,570.58 | | \$7,570.58 |
| LAKE ELSINORE | \$3,051.33 | \$2,044.92 | \$5,096.25 | \$3,966.73 | \$3,721.38 | \$7,688.11 |
| MORENO VALLEY | \$9,211.96 | | \$9,211.96 | \$11,975.55 | | \$11,975.55 |
| MURRIETA | \$6,011.37 | \$2,044.92 | \$8,056.29 | \$7,814.78 | \$3,721.38 | \$11,536.16 |
| PERRIS | \$3,116.27 | \$2,044.92 | \$5,161.19 | \$4,051.15 | \$3,721.38 | \$7,772.53 |
| RIVERSIDE | \$16,412.14 | \$2,044.92 | \$18,457.06 | \$21,335.78 | \$3,721.38 | \$25,057.16 |
| SAN JACINTO | \$2,516.34 | \$2,044.92 | \$4,561.26 | \$3,271.24 | \$3,721.38 | \$6,992.62 |
| TEMECULA | \$5,902.23 | \$2,044.92 | \$7,947.15 | \$7,672.90 | \$3,721.38 | \$11,394.28 |
| WILDOMAR | \$1,894.82 | \$2,044.92 | \$3,939.74 | \$2,463.27 | \$3,721.38 | \$6,184.65 |
| COUNTY UNINCORPORATED* | \$15,404.38 | | \$15,404.38 | \$20,025.69 | | \$20,025.69 |

Prior Action(s):

None.

Fiscal Impact:

Solid Waste and Recycling Program activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget under the Environmental Department under Fund 110 (General Fund).

Attachment(s):