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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Board of Directors

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SUBJECT: California Integrated Waste Management Act

RECOMMENDATION

CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Staff to provide an update on the status of activities relevant to the Act.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

WASTE REDUCTION, RECYCLING, HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAMS UPDATE

<u>Hazardous Waste Collections</u> – Upper Valley Waste Management Agency's (UVWMA) hazardous waste (HW) collections contractor, Clean Harbors, conducted a set of business/household events on April 27 and 28 at the Upper Valley Compost and Recycling Yard. Zero businesses utilized the collection day on Friday, April 27. On Saturday April 28, residents from each of the UVWMA member communities participated in the household HW and tire collection. A total of 173 deliveries were made at the event; 148 HW only, 8 HW & tires and 17 tires only. 139 tires were collected by Conservation Corps North Bay for recycling.

The total turnout was higher than the Spring 2017 event, which had 116 deliveries. A table showing the breakdown of attendees is included as Attachment A - 2018 St Helena HW and Tire Event. Staff will report to the Board on the costs of the HW collection at a future meeting. Conservation Corps North Bay covers all costs associated with the tire collection.

The fall hazardous waste collection event has been scheduled for October 26 (business) and October 27 (residential) at the Napa County Fairgrounds in Calistoga.

Sharps and Medications Disposal – Up-valley residents may drop-off sharps at Ole Health offices at 1222 Pine St. Suite A, in St. Helena or 911 Washington St. in Calistoga during regular business hours. Clean Harbors accepts medications and sharps at up-valley hazardous waste collection events. Clover Flat Landfill accepts sharps at no charge during regular business hours. Vasconi's Pharmacy in St Helena, independently installed a medication collection bin; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted, no liquids. A medication collection bin is located at the St. Helena Police Department; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted, no liquids. UVWMA staff are working to setting up a medication collection bin at the Calistoga Police Department.

Up valley residents can pick up a free sharps container at; Silverado Pharmacy in Calistoga, Ole Health in St.

Helena and Calistoga, Vasconi's Pharmacy in St. Helena, Smiths Pharmacy in St. Helena and the PHHWCF in south Napa County.

The Soroptimists of Calistoga hosted their semi-annual No Drugs Down the Drain event on April 21, in front of the Calistoga Police Department. 200 pounds of medications and sharps were collected. City of Calistoga Police provided transport and St Helena Hospital funded disposal costs.

<u>Beverage Container Recycling Program</u> – UVWMA applies as a regional agency for payments that CalRecycle issues for beverage container recycling programs. Staff uses the \$25,000 of funds for beverage container recycling and litter reduction activities. Examples include the purchase of recycling bins for public buildings, community parks, main streets, businesses, schools and public gathering areas, recycling at public and private events, and related publicity and education. UVWMA staff have applied for the next regional application for beverage container recycling funds, the application has been recommended for payment by CalRecycle staff.

<u>CalRecycle</u> - CalRecycle issued a letter on the China imports issue on May 8, 2018. The letter is included as Attachment B: CalRecycle National Sword Letter May 2018.

<u>Recycling Outreach and Activities</u> – UVWMA staff collaborated with Napa Valley Museum staff to host an Earth Day themed family activity day on April 14, the event had about 25 attendees.

<u>Home Composting Workshops</u> – Workshop co-sponsors, UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa, and Napa County Master Gardeners have completed 2018 workshops. A backyard compost workshop was held on April 21 in St Helena, 13 residents attended. A worm compost workshop was held on May 5 at the Napa Valley Museum in Yountville, 18 residents attended. UVWMA staff are coordinating with the Upper Valley Campus in St Helena to host an additional worm composting workshop at the campus in the fall.

Napa County Green Business Program – County staff offers a Green Business certification to businesses that meet high environmental standards for reduced energy use, water conservation, pollution prevention, recycling and waste reduction. UVWMA is assisting by providing interior recycling containers and signage for offices, wine production, food service, and picnic areas. UVDS is providing waste service level audits and a set of recycling and composting collection services. 11 up valley wineries and two up valley businesses were certified in FY 2016-17, 12 up valley wineries and one up valley business has been certified so far in FY 2017-18.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

None.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Attachment A - 2018 St Helena HW and Tire Event

B . Attachment B - CalRecycle National Sword Letter May 2018

Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Steven Lederer