



Antelope Valley Illegal Dumping Task Force (AVIDTF)

Meeting Summary of March 12, 2014

Fire Station No. 129, Training Center
42110 6th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93534

Attendees:

Bret Banks, AVAQMD
Christine Borzaga, Supervisor Antonovich's Office
David Brackin, Department of Weights and Measures
Brian Brown, Resident
Doug Burgis, Chair of the Illegal Dumping Task Force
Jack Chan, Lockheed Martin
Andrew Clakeley, Lockheed Martin
Melissa Duchsherer, City of Palmdale
Oscar Gomez, Department of Regional Planning
Julianne Hanes, Waste Management, Inc.
Paul Harvey-Wiener, Lockheed Martin
Cheryl Hughes, City of Palmdale
Patricia Hundt, Department of Public Health
Azeen Khanmalek, Department of Regional Planning
Eve T. Lopez, Department of Public Works
Benjamin Lucha, City of Palmdale
Chris Mastro, Department of Public Health
Adam McCalls, Resident
Corina Mora, Resident
Christopher Murgur, Resident
David Pang, Department of Public Works
Ana Parham, Resident
Doug Parham, Resident
Ana Parham, Resident
Steven Penny, COL
Debbie Pepe, Department of Parks and Recreation
Guy Rendles, Green Valley Town Council
Bruce Roadhous, City of Palmdale
C.L. Thames, Sheriff Department
Tyson Walter, Resident
Donald Watkins, City of Lancaster Public Works
Mark Wilson, President LCA

<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
Illegal Dumping Signs	Completed, available upon request
Summary Recommendations	Considered

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- Self-introductions
Self-introductions of all attendees.
- Checking Account Balance – Doug Burgis
The amount in the checking account balance is \$20,680.47.
- Illegal Dumping Report – Eve T. Lopez
Eve Lopez provided the statistics on the illegal dumping cases for the Antelope Valley. There were a total of 182 cases and 26 of which were from the Antelope Valley area. The total number of illegal dumping in the Antelope Valley in 2013 was 156 which average to 13 cases per month; in January 2014 and February 2014 each month received 13 cases from Antelope Valley. The number of cases per month in Antelope Valley has remained consistent.
 - Doug Burgis requested to include the calendar year 2013 statistics in the 2014 Illegal Dumping Activity Report for comparison.
- Illegal Dumping Subcommittee Report – Eve T. Lopez
Meeting was cancelled; therefore no summary information was reported.
- Misc. Announcements – David Pang
 - The current Trash Talk newsletter is available.
 - The Free Dump Day is on April 12, 2014. Flyers for the event are available.
 - The Free Tire Recycling Event is on April 26, 2014. Flyers for the event are available.
 - The meeting summary format will implement some of the ideas Brian Brown suggested in the February 2014 meeting. The ideas will reflect on the meeting summary for March 2014 and future meeting summaries.
- Adopt-a-Highway Recognition for Alpine Locksmith – Doug Burgis
Recipient did not attend meeting. Doug Burgis showed the scroll to everyone and stated that Alpine Locksmith is recognized for their devoted efforts for 11-plus years of community clean-up.
- Open Discussion/Public Comment
 - Benjamin Lucha from City of Palmdale briefly discussed the use of the illegal dumping application available on iPhone and android versions. Registration is required to download the application. The purpose of the

application is to quantify and demonstrate issue of illegal dumping. The data collected will be shared to stakeholders to address the problem locations of illegal dumping.

- Benjamin Lucha from City of Palmdale informed everyone that Hinterculture is chosen as a finalist candidate for a green project award. They will be presenting at the Board of Supervisors meeting on March 18, 2014. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- District Attorney Dave Campbell provided status on the Veda case. Violator was given a schedule to clean-up the illegal dumping dumped site of wood shingles. Department of Public Health and Regional Planning also issued violations on those affected properties. The location is Avenue C and 75th Street West.
- Christine Borzaga made an announcement that the illegal dumping signs are now available upon request.
- Christine Borzaga made an announcement that the Education and Prevention Grant program received only one application. The applicant is Falcon Tech.
- Donald Watkins from City of Lancaster Public Works made an announcement that the 24-Hour Recycling Center located at 615 W. Avenue H in Lancaster is now accepting paint and household hazardous waste. Paint, E-Waste, and used oil are accepted during the 24-Hour operation of the center. Only household hazardous waste is accepted during the hours of 8:00am – 5:00pm, Monday thru Friday. For more information, please contact City of Lancaster 24-Hour Recycling Center at (661)-723-5885.
- Donald Watkins announced that the City of Lancaster has applied for a Farm and Ranch Grant to clean-up a County location at the northwest corner of 70th Street West and Avenue F. The City of Lancaster will conduct the clean-up and provide transportation of the materials generated. However, they are requesting for assistance on the demolition of the structure and disposal of the demolition debris. The grant does not cover demolition and disposal. This location used to be an old turkey barn.
- Benjamin Lucha from City of Palmdale made an announcement that the AV Press Insert with all the pride month events will be in the AV Press on the weekend of April 6, 2014. He also mentioned that the City of Palmdale is looking into billboards, newspapers, and Spanish radio to advertise the illegal dumping hotline number (888)-8DUMPING.
- Lancaster resident, Doug Parham, addressed concerns on Waste Management's responsibility for illegal dumping trash pick-up on the public right-of-way. Julianne Haness from Waste Management, Inc. addressed the Dough Parham's concerns that illegal dumping of trash is not Waste

Management, Inc. responsibility. For illegal dumping he was referred to the (888)-8DUMPING hotline. Doug Parham also inquired about the Franchising of Waste Haulers in the Antelope Valley. The franchising is currently put on hold. He also inquired about the proper disposal of mattresses. Donald Watkins from City of Lancaster indicated that a new mattress bill will be coming out soon with a CRV attached to every mattress purchase. Mattress may be taken for disposal at the landfill or contact your local waste hauler for pick-up.

- Brian Brown requested if he can collect and bring approximately 500 tires to the Tire Recycling Event on April 26, 2014. Brian has a permit to transport more than 9 tires. He inquired if special arrangement can be made for him to bring it to one of the locations on April 26, 2014. Public Works will inquire with the Tire Program Manager for approval. City of Lancaster also offered their facility to dispose of the tires.
- Oscar Gomez of Department of Regional Planning introduced their new member, Azeen Khanmalek.