

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE/INTEGRATED
WASTE MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE
ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY

Background

The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, as amended, mandates that each county shall convene a task force to assist in coordinating the development of city and the County Source Reduction and Recycling Elements (SRRE), Household Hazardous Waste Elements (HHWE), Non-disposal Facility Elements (NDFE), and to assist and advise the county agency responsible for preparation of the Countywide Siting Element (CSE) and the County Integrated Waste Management Plan (CIWMP).

On February 27, 1990, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved the designation of the County Solid Waste Management Committee (CoSWMC) as the County Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) as required by Section 40950 of the California Public Resources Code (PRC).

On July 15, 1990, after obtaining the required approval from the majority of cities within the County containing a majority of the County incorporated population, the Board of Supervisors approved and adopted an Ordinance amending Title 3 of the Los Angeles County Code designating the CoSWMC as the Task Force.

The Director of the County Department of Public Works (DPW) is designated as the CoSWMC/Task Force staffing is provided by DPW. DPW is also responsible for the preparation, maintenance, and administration of the County SRRE, HHWE, NDFE, CSE, and the CIWMP and its Summary Plan.

Task Force Role and Responsibilities

A. General Role/Responsibilities

- 1) The Task Force, within 30 days of its establishment, and, as required by the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, Sections 18761, 18764-18766, 18777, 18779-18781 shall:
 - a) Determine and verify the remaining permitted combined disposal capacity of existing solid waste facilities in the county.
 - b) Make a finding, as required by the PRC, Section 41971, as to date, the CSE, the CIWMP and its Summary Plan are due for submittal to the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB).

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- c) Notify the CIWMB and the agency responsible for preparing the CSE and the ColWMP of this determination within 14 days of said finding.
 - d) Develop a time schedule for preparation and submission of the locally approved CSE, the ColWMP and its Summary Plan to the CIWMB.
 - e) Send a copy of the schedule to the CIWMB and to the agency responsible for preparing the CSE, the ColWMP and its Summary Plan.
- 2) Assist in coordinating the development of cities/County SRREs, HHWEs, and NDFEs.
- 3) Assist and advice the agency responsible for preparation of the CSE and the ColWMP and its Summary Plan.
- 4) Five-year review of the ColWMP by Task Force

Prior to the fifth anniversary of the CIWMB's approval of the ColWMP or its more recent revision, the Task Force shall review the ColWMP in accordance with provisions of the PRC, Sections 40051, 40052, and 41822, to ensure that it remains consistent with hierarchy of waste management practices defined in the PRC, Section 40051.

- a) On or before the fifth anniversary of the CIWMB's approval of the ColWMP, the Task Force shall submit written comments on areas of ColWMP which require revision, if any, to the County and the CIWMB.
- b) Within 45 days of receiving the Task Force's comments, the County shall determine if a revision is necessary and notify the Task Force and the CIWMB in writing of its findings.
- c) The CIWMB shall review the County's findings and determine if there are any additional areas of the ColWMP which require revision, or if no revision is necessary.
- d) Within 60 days of receipt of the County's findings, the CIWMB shall, at a public hearing, approve or disapprove the County's findings regarding revision of the ColWMP.

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- e) Within 30 days of its action at the public hearing, the CIWMB shall send a copy of its resolution, approving or disapproving the County's findings, to the Task Force and the County. If the CIWMB has identified additional areas of the CoIWMP that require revision, the CIWMB shall identify those areas in its resolution.

B. SRRE, HHWE, and NDFE Responsibilities

- 1) Advise jurisdictions responsible for SRRE preparation, as needed, and review goals, policies, and procedures for jurisdictions which, upon implementation, will aid in meeting the solid waste management needs of the County, as well as the mandated source reduction and recycling requirements of the PRC, Section 41780.
- 2) Assist and advise in the review of the SRRE, HHWE, and NDFE and assist jurisdictions in the implementation of the SRRE, HHWE, and NDFE.
- 3) Provide technical guidance and information regarding source reduction, waste diversion, and recycling to local jurisdictions during preparation of the SRRE, HHWE, and NDFE. Such information may be presented to the general public at public hearings and upon request by members of local government and community organizations.
- 4) To ensure a coordinated and cost-effective regional recycling system, the Task Force shall:
 - a) Identify solid waste management issues of Countywide or regional concern.
 - b) Determine the need for solid waste collection systems, processing facilities, and marketing strategies that can serve more than one local jurisdiction within the region.
 - c) Facilitate the development of multi-jurisdictional arrangements for the marketing of recyclable materials.
 - d) To the extent possible, facilitate resolution of conflicts and inconsistencies between or among jurisdictions SRRE, HHWE, and NDFE.
- 5) Review preliminary drafts of SRREs, HHWEs, and NDFEs.

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- a) Take into consideration the issues of Countywide or regional concerns as required by the PRC, Section 40950(c).
 - b) Send copies of the Task Force's written comments on the preliminary drafts of the SRRE, HHWE, and NDFE simultaneously to the CIWMB and to the jurisdiction that prepared the preliminary draft SRRE, HHWE, and NDFE within 45 days of receipt of the preliminary draft (90 days for NDFE).
 - c) Other reviewing agencies, as applicable, (the County, adjacent cities, any association of regional governments, and the CIWMB) shall review and send their written comments to the jurisdiction that prepared the preliminary draft SRRE, HHWE, and NDFE. A copy of the CIMWB's written comments shall be sent simultaneously to the Task Force.
- 6) Review the final draft of the SRREs and HHWEs.
- a) The Task Force shall provide written comments on the final draft to the CIWMB and the jurisdiction responsible for preparation of the final draft within 30 days of receipt of the final draft.
 - b) If deficiencies are indicated in the Task Force's comments, the Task Force shall meet with the jurisdiction to resolve them.
 - c) If no resolution between the Task Force and the jurisdiction can be achieved, the Task Force shall send a letter to the jurisdiction and the CIWMB indicating the remaining deficiencies of the SRRE and HHWE.
- C. CSE and CoIWMP and its Summary Plan Responsibilities.
- 1) Assist and advise the agency responsible for preparation of the CSE, the CoIWMP and its Summary Plan, as needed, and develop goals, policies, and procedures which are consistent with guidelines and regulations adopted by the CIWMB, to guide the development of the CSE of the CoIWMP.
 - 2) To ensure that the County of Los Angeles adequately plans for meeting future solid waste handling and disposal needs, coordinate the preparation and review of the CSE, the CoIWMP and its Summary Plan prior to their circulation to reviewing agencies and to the CIWMB.

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- 3) Review the preliminary draft of the CSE, the ColWMP and its Summary Plan.
Send written comments simultaneously to the CIWMB and to the agency responsible for preparation of the CSE, the ColWMP and its Summary Plan within 45 days of receipt of the preliminary draft.
- 4) Review the final draft of the CSE the ColWMP and its Summary Plan.
 - a) Send written comments simultaneously to the agency responsible for preparation of the CSE, and the ColWMP and its Summary Plan and the CIWMB within 45 days of receipt of the final draft.
 - b) Where deficient areas have been identified in the Task Force's written comments, the responsible agency shall submit a revised final draft.
 - c) The Task Force shall review the revised final draft. If deficiencies still remain, the Task Force Shall meet with the agency to resolve them.
 - e) If the CSE or the ColWMP and its Summary Plan is deemed adequate, the Task Force shall notify the County and the CIWMB, in writing, within 30 days of its determination.
- 5) Local Adoption of the final CSE, and the ColWMP and its Summary Plan
 - a) Each city in the County, and the County Board of Supervisors, shall conduct a public hearing for the purpose of adopting the final CSE, and the ColWMP and its Summary Plan.

After considering all comments of members of the governing body and the public, each jurisdiction shall, by resolution, either approve or disapprove of the CSE and/or ColWMPs Summary Plan.
 - b) If a jurisdiction disapproves the CSE or the COIWMP's Summary Plan, the jurisdiction shall give written notice to the Task Force, the County Board of Supervisors, and the CIWMB of the deficient areas in the CSE or the ColWMP's Summary Plan within 30 days of disapproval.
 - c) If the final CSE and/or the ColWMP's Summary Plan are not approved by a majority of the cities within the County which contain a majority of the population

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of the incorporated area, the County shall revise the deficient areas of the CSE and/or the ColWMP's Summary Plan and recirculate it as required by Title 14, CCR, Sections 18779 through 18785.

- d) Submittal of final CSE, and the ColWMP and its summary Plan.

On approval of the final CSE and the CSE and the ColWMP and its Summary Plan, which have also been by a majority of the cities representing a majority of the County's incorporated population, the County shall, within 30 days of such approval, submit the following to the CIWMB:

- 1) Twenty copies of the locally approved CSE, and the CSE, and the ColWMP and its Summary Plan.
 - 2) A copy of each jurisdiction's resolution approving or disapproving the CSE And the ColWMP and its Summary Plan.
 - 3) A copy of the public notice for each jurisdiction's public hearing on the CSE And the ColWMP's Summary Plan.
 - 4) A copy of the Notice of Determination for the project's California Environmental Quality Act document which has been filed with the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research.
 - 5) A tabulation showing that the CSE and the ColWMP and its Summary were approved by a majority of the cities representing a majority of the population in the incorporated portion of the County.
- e) The CIWMB shall, within a timeframe of 90-120 days, review the ColWMP and at a public hearing determine whether it meets the requirements of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989.

After considering public testimony and input from the local Task Force, the CIWMB shall either adopt a resolution approving the ColWMP or issue a Notice of Deficiency to the County.

Within 30 days of approval or disapproval of the ColWMP, the CIWMB will send a copy of the resolution of approval or Notice of Deficiency to the County.

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- f) The County shall resubmit the ColWMP in accordance with requirements of the PRC, Sections 41811 and 41812, and with Sections 18780 through 18784 of CCR, Title 14.

6) Revision of the ColWMP

No later than one year after the CIWMB determines the need for ColWMP revision, the County shall revise the ColWMP, in accordance with requirements of Title 14, CCR, Sections 18778 through 18784, and shall submit the revised ColWMP to the CIWMB.