

Alternative Technology Advisory Subcommittee
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/
Integrated Waste Management Task Force

Minutes of November 17, 2005

County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works
Conference Room B
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, California

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Alva, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Fernando Berton, California Integrated Waste Management Task Force
John McTaggart, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force
Mike Mohajer, Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Task Force
Michael Theroux, Theroux Environmental Consulting
Jeff Yann, Hacienda Heights Improvement Association
Eugene Tseng, Eugene Tseng and Associates
Ed Wheless, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY OTHERS:

Alex Helou, represented by Miguel Zermeno, City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Kay Martin, Bioenergy Producers Association
Chris Mastro, County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services

OTHERS PRESENT:

Virginia Jauregui, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Coby Skye, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Ben Lucha, City of Santa Clarita

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

II. REPORT ON AB 1090 HEARING

Mr. Skye provided a summary of the AB 1090 proceedings held in the City of Los Angeles on November 16, 2005. According to Mr. Skye, the majority of the speakers at the hearing supported the development of conversion technologies. However, there was limited inaccurate testimony presented by conversion opponents. The Subcommittee unanimously passed a motion recommending the Task Force send a clarification letter to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee (ANRC) responding to these inaccurate claims.

III. CLARIFICATION OF CRITERIA FOR CSD'S CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING FOR THE PILOT CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY FACILITY

At the October Subcommittee meeting, a motion was passed requesting the Sanitation Districts clarify in writing their official position regarding consideration of funding a "pilot" facility based on the requirements of the CUP for the Puente Hills Landfill. Mr. Wheless reported that he is in the process of drafting a letter, and hopes to have it completed soon. Mr. Alva recommended that the correspondence be forwarded to the Subcommittee, and if meriting discussion, be placed on next month's agenda.

IV. DISCUSSION OF SCOPES OF WORK FOR THE PUBLIC OUTREACH PLAN AND DEMONSTRATION FACILITY

Minor changes were made to both scopes of work since October's meeting based on comments received by Subcommittee members, and a schedule of deliverables was developed for each. If there are no substantial comments made to either scopes of work, staff will release the RFP. Mr. Theroux commented that the Subcommittee should consider setting up a steering committee or advisory panel in order to enhance outreach efforts for the public outreach plan.

V. OPEN DISCUSSION/PUBLIC COMMENT

No public discussion ensued.

VI. NEXT MEETING DATE, TBA

The next meeting date is scheduled for December 15, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.