

MINUTES OF August 18, 2005
PUBLIC EDUCATION AND INFORMATION SUBCOMMITTEE
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste
Management Task Force

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

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Mohajer, Integrated Waste Management Task Force; Carolyn Meredith, City of Pasadena; and Ben Lucha, City of Santa Clarita

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Ledra Sanchez, City of Gardena; Robert Tang, City of Monterey Park; Laura Cronin, City of Santa Monica; Cynthia Vant Hul, Waste Management; Preeti Ghuman, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County; and Tammy Evans, City of Monrovia

OTHERS PRESENT:

True Pawluk, staff, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 9:14 a.m. by the Chair, Mike Mohajer.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 16, 2005, were approved as written.

III. TASK FORCE MEETING DEBRIEFING

There was no Task Force meeting debriefing due to time constraints.

IV. NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

City of Los Angeles – There were several comments about the article. There is a need to verify if the program is actually the “Food Waste Recycling” program or if the word “recycling” can be changed to “diversion.” Need to find out the date that the program started, and a few other details from the City.

Marina Del Rey – True Pawluk suggested using an alternative term, such as “abandoned” instead of “illegal dumping” to describe the action of people leaving used oil at the recycling center during off-hours. Going to rephrase for the newsletter. Also discussed other details, such as verifying that the County spends upwards of \$100,000 for cleanup costs.

LARA – Article was accepted as written with a few minor grammatical changes and a transition sentence added between two different topics within the article.

Puente Hills MRF – Mike Mohajer had some comments regarding this article and asked that a couple of sentences be re-worded to make the meaning more clear.

Mike Mohajer requested staff to prepare additional articles covering the areas listed below for publication in the upcoming Newsletter:

- Conversion Technologies
- Waste Board’s AB 939 Alternative Diversion Measurement System (after Waste Board’s August 31 hearing)
- Legislative update (may have to wait for next Newsletter)

V. OPEN DISCUSSION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Due to time constraints, Mike Mohajer postponed the Task Force debriefing to the next meeting.

VI. NEXT MEETING DATE

Next meeting will be tentatively scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room B.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.