

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2007
PUBLIC EDUCATION AND INFORMATION SUBCOMMITTEE
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste
Management Task Force

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
900 South Fremont Avenue
9th Floor Conference
Alhambra, California

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Mohajer (Chair), Integrated Waste Management Task Force, and Angela Williams, City of Inglewood.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Glenn Acosta, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County; Cynthia Vant Hul, Waste Management; Laura Cronin, City of Santa Monica; and Michael Burk, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Vanessa A. Lopez, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works.

I CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 1:15 p.m. by the Chair.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of August 16, 2007, were set aside to be approved at the next meeting.

III. NEWSLETTER ARTICLES - See Attachments

City of Inglewood – The article, *Inglewood-100 More Years of Environmental Leadership*, was approved with minor edits.

City of Torrance – The article, *Business Offers the Community Free Electronics Recycling*, was approved with clarification/edits.

City of Calabasas – The article, *Recycling Numbers Keep Adding Up*, was placed on hold due to space limitations in Volume 52 of *Inside Solid Waste* and approved for inclusion in Volume 53.

County of Los Angeles – The article, *Generation Earth; Empowering Teens Toward Change*, was reviewed and approved with changes. Specifically, the second half of the article is to be written in bullet form.

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

- Legislative Update of Bills that were enacted in 2007
- Conversion Technology Update
- Management of Sharps
- LA Times Contest
- Status on AB2296

IV. TASK FORCE MEETING DEBRIEFING, Mike Mohajer

The Task Force did not meet in November. The meetings in September and October addressed the following topics. AB2296 is legislation that requires the Waste Board to review their existing regulations on the landfill closure, and postclosure financial assurance. It also requires the State Waste Board to review and expand existing regulations in re to non-water related corrective action issues during the postclosure period as well as addressing the need for additional financial assurance for the corrective actions.

The Task Force also considered a request from the City of Pomona to review and concur with the City's revised Nondisposal Facility Element to include an expansion of an existing solid waste transfer station in the City. The City's request was approved by the Task Force. Additionally, the Task Force was provided with a presentation by the Drug Policy Alliance on management of used sharps. As a result, the Task Force forwarded letters to the County Department of Public Health and Public Works as well as the California Dept. of Public Health and the Waste Board recommending coordination of their efforts on public outreach programs as well as the County sharps collection program.

V. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is tentatively set for February 21, 2008, at 9 a.m.

Note: Since the meeting, the date was changed to February 28, 2008, at 9 a.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Attachments