

Enforcement Advisory Council

Solid Waste Management through Partnership

Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2019
Cal-EPA Building, Sacramento

Introductions:

John Wells – Chair, Northern Roundtable
Maria Mendoza, Bay Area Roundtable
David Thompson, Southern City LEAs
Michael Condon, Southern Roundtable
Ryan Beahm, South Central Roundtable
Paul Holloway, North Central Roundtable
Sean Debley, South Western Roundtable
Bryan Sousa, Northern City LEAs

Paulina Lawrence, CalRecycle
Ken Decio, CalRecycle
Jeff Hackett, CalRecycle
Leta Forland, CalRecycle
Kirby Garrett, CalRecycle

Agenda Review (late additions)

Ryan Beahm – What is the authority under which mattress recyclers operate?
Paul Holloway - Aerosols – management at solid waste facilities. If aerosols contain material, it falls under Household Hazardous Waste (HHW). It is a universal waste. CUPA has advised the shake test is not sufficient at solid waste facilities.

Approval of Previous EAC Minutes

Previous EAC meeting minutes were not presented for motion. The council will review at the next scheduled meeting.

EAC Resolutions, Status and Updates

A. EAC Co-Vice Chairs

Maria Mendoza is stepping down from the Co-Vice Chair position.

John Wells: asked if there were any volunteers to fill the vacant Co-Vice Chair positions. After discussion, Ryan Beahm volunteered to fill one Co-Vice Chair position. Maria Mendoza nominated Michael Condon for the second Co-Vice Chair position. Question raised as to whether the two southern LEA chairs can occupy both vice co-chair positions. Leta Forland clarified Co-Vice Chair roles traditionally filled by northern and southern jurisdiction; however, this is not a rule. Leta also stated all EAC membership function as representatives to the EAC equally.

Resolution 2019-01: The resolution passed to thank previous Co-Vice Chairs for their service on the EAC.

Resolution 2019-02: The resolution passed for the election of Ryan Beahm and Michael Condon as EAC Co-Vice Chairs.

B. 2018 Ralph Hunter Memorial Award

The EAC Chair announced an all LEA e-mail would be sent requesting Ralph Hunter Memorial Award nominations. Two EAC meetings from now voting on the award will take place. The due date for the application will be late August or early September. This will ensure the nomination process for the award is shared at the upcoming Spring LEA Roundtables. Previously submitted applications may be accepted. The final due date for the award submission will be July 31, 2019.

C. Mattress Recycling

Kirby Garrett: Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Program Overview

Kirby provided an overview of the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Program and infrastructure for used mattress recycling.

- There are approximately 5,000 mattress retailers in California.
- There are 200 locations to drop off mattresses for recycling.
- 1.4 million Mattresses were recycled in 2018.

- The used mattress recycling recovery act passed in 2013 to help curb illegal mattress dumping and reduce the number of mattresses ending in up landfills.
- Mattress Recycling Council is the only non-profit for mattress recycling certified by CalRecycle.
- A \$10.50 fee added to all mattress sales to fund the program and there are currently 11 certified mattress-recycling centers in California.
- All mattress retailers should be allowing consumers to return used mattresses back to them for recycling.
- The consumer will receive \$3.00 for dropping off a mattress directly at a mattress-recycling center.
- A couple-hundred thousand mattress renovated annually.
- Mattress retailers do not / will not pick up a mattress infested with bed bugs.
- No answer was provided from CalRecycle regarding whether the final disposition of mattresses into a landfill is currently authorized

Question from LEAs: Are there any programs available for local Public Works Departments for the recycling of dumped mattresses?

Answer from Kirby: Yes, progress is moving in that direction, some compensation is available.

LEAs are *not* currently responsible for verifying mattress-recycling records during inspections.

The deadline for mattress recyclers to report their statistics to CalRecycle is May 1. The target for these recycling centers and program participants is 75%. Some recyclers can manage an 80-90% recycling rate. Coils, steel, foam and padding are all materials removed and re-purposed.

D. Permits for Closed Landfills

Maria Mendoza: Do closed landfills undergo a 5-year permit review process? If so, does an E-1-77 form need to be submitted to CalRecycle during a permit review and/or an RFI Amendment?

Maria shared that CalRecycle has a 2010 Solid Waste Permit for Closed Landfills, Procedure Guide dated July 10, 2010, and there are questions regarding procedures for the 5-year permit review and guidance for a closed landfill.

Jeff Hackett: Some LEAs issue permits to closed landfills and other LEAs choose not to for landfills that implemented closure prior to February 2003. Permits issued to closed landfills are to be reviewed every five years. If a permit issued to a closed landfill, the permit is to reflect closure and the Final Closure and Postclosure

Maintenance Plans (PCPMP) become the governing documents. The FCPMP is reviewed and amended during the review process. CalRecycle will revisit the procedure document, revise accordingly, and redistribute.

CalRecycle Discussion Items

A. Deputy Director Report

None

B. Senate Bill 1383 update

Paulina Lawrence: There is a new educational link for Senate Bill 1383. The page is to aid in education for jurisdictions and municipalities responsible for the implementation of SB 1383. The link is meant to serve as an outreach resource for these implementers to present to municipal leadership. There are PowerPoints and other infographics as well.

David Thompson: Recommended that an infographic for LEAs stating what their responsibilities are for Senate Bill 1383 implementation would be helpful. An LEA advisory was suggested as well.

C. Legislation Update

Paulina Lawrence: AB 901 – Training for reporting entities will be provided over the coming months. Reporting starts on July 1, 2019. The Recycling and Disposal Reporting System (RDRS) webpage is available and is where LEAs should send operators for more information.

The following bills currently being tracked and are under legislative review:

- AB 257 – Woody Biomass
- AB 804 – Sharps (Medical Waste) stewardship program
- AB 815 – Dual Stream bin system
- AB 827 – Commercial organics recycling bins
- AB 1216 – Solid Waste Illegal Dumping
- AB 215 – Dumping
- SB 372 – Plastic Bags

A reminder from CalRecycle asking EAC committee members to continue to send any information received regarding Transfer Station fires caused by plastic bags, and fires at facilities caused by lithium batteries to their CalRecycle Point of Contact or CalRecycle's Senior Technical Jeffery Esquivel. CalRecycle is keeping track of ignition sources at facilities caused from plastic bags or lithium batteries.

D. Training Update

Ken Decio: Upcoming odor training is tentatively schedule for June 2019 throughout the State. Registration is capped at 25 and is intended to be a mix of LEA and Air District staff. The intent is to help create a "common language" between the agencies.

- Health and Safety Training – Summer 2019
- Load Check Training – Summer 2019 by Larry Sweetser
- Technical Training Series 2020 – Long Beach (Tentative Location)

E. CalRecycle Staff Update

None

Public Comment Period

No public comments received.

Schedule Next EAC Meeting and Close Meeting

The next EAC meeting date is to be determined.