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# IMPERIAL VALLEY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY (IVRMA) TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING

#### **AGENDA**

**DATE:** Thursday, February 22, 2024

**TIME**: 3:00 p.m.

**LOCATION**: ICTC Offices (Hybrid)

1503 N. Imperial Ave., Ste. 104

El Centro, CA 92243

Zoom meeting information is as follows.

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82214528491?pwd=b8SYicYEOnC2ZgFB3IIi2VV5Cp8nqA.1

**Dial:**(669)900-9128 **Meeting ID:** 822 1452 8491 **Passcode:** 446799

Chairperson: City of El Centro Vice-Chair: City of Brawley

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## DISCUSSION/ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. **NOVEMBER 16, 2023, MINUTES, &** REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION **JANUARY 25, 2024, MINUTES** 

3. ORGANIC WASTE CAPACITY REPORT Q&A/DISCUSSION

**Pending reports**By IVRMA Staff

4. IVRMA UPDATES DISCUSSION

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By IVRMA Staff

5. CALRECYCLE LAMD Q&A/DISCUSSION

By CalRecycle

6. **MEMBER ROUNDTABLE** DISCUSSION

 $By\ All$ 

7. ADJOURNMENT ACTION

The next IVRMA TAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 21, 2024. For questions or comments, please call Maricela Galarza at (760) 996-0972, or email me at <a href="mailto:maricelagalarza@imperialctc.org">maricelagalarza@imperialctc.org</a>.



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**DRAFT MINUTES** N

November 16, 2023

<u>Present</u> <u>Voting Members:</u>

Abraham Campos City of El Centro
Cedric Cesena City of El Centro
Frank Pacheco City of El Centro
Liliana Falomir City of Calexico
Yvonne Cordero City of Imperial

Jose Castaneda Imperial County Public Works

Other Members:

Maricela Galarza IVRMA Angelica Gerardo IVRMA Atenea Leal IVRMA

Risa Baron Republic Services
Jill Larner Cal Recycle

- 1. Mr. Campos called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. A quorum was present. Introductions were made.
  - Hybrid meeting
- 2. Minutes were reviewed for October 26, 2023, and no comments or changes were requested. Minutes were adopted for October 26, 2023. (Castaneda, seconded by Ms. Cordero) **Motion Carried.**

## 3. CAPACITY PLAN PROJECTS/ PROPOSALS

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- The SB1383 Capacity Plan/Reports Request For Proposal (RFP) was developed and shared with interested firms.
- Our agency received four proposals from MSW, ReCREATE Waste Collaborative, SCS Engineers, and Solana Center. The proposal basis is for the consultant to do identification of the Edible Food Generator Tiers, and the Outreach to businesses to gather information data for the reports. These four firms have worked on previous projects similar to the one proposed for the Edible food recovery programs Capacity Planning/ Reports that need to be completed in Imperial County. Ms Galarza provided members with a brief presentation of the submitted proposals' specifics. (Attached for reference)

- The proposals are in the process of being scored by four individuals 1<sup>st</sup> Ms. Galarza from IVRMA, 2<sup>nd</sup> from SCAG, 3<sup>rd</sup> from ICTC, and 4<sup>th</sup> from the County of Imperial. In December's Board meeting, the project/contract will be awarded to the most qualified consultant. The project will initialize from there by having a kick-off meeting.
- Ms. Larner reached out to Ms. Galarza in regards to SB1383 funding. She recommended that all Jurisdictions reach out to the Foodbank as it deals with Tier 1 Edible Food Generators.

#### 4. ORGANICS WASTE CAPACITY REPORT

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- Reached out to Jurisdictions via email to provide guidelines for the reporting. (Attached for reference)

## 5. IVRMA UPDATES

Ms. Leal provided the following updates.

- For October 28, 2023, there will be 1 IVRMA Clean-Up event in Niland and 1 IVRMA/REPUBLIC Clean-Up event in Imperial.
- For November there will be 2 Clean- ups events 1 in Holtville and 1 in Ocotillo.
- For December 2<sup>nd</sup> Clean-ups will be in the City of Heber and for December 9<sup>th</sup> in Seeley and Bombay Beach for December 16.
- For Community Events, IVRMA outreach participated in Lincoln Elementary School. IVRMA will also be participating in a Community event in the City of Brawley.
- IVRMA will be hosting 11 school presentations for Introduction to Recycle in JW Oakley School and 1 in Ben Hulse School.

## 6. MEMBER ROUNDTABLE

Ms. Cordero provided the following updates.

- The City of Imperial will be having The Light Parade on December 8, 2023, and for Community events Christmas in a Small Town on December 9, 2023.
- Ms. Cordero reached out to Sara Griffen under the advisement of Ms. Larner to see what the Food Bank needs relating to SB1383 capacity expansion/maintenance. Imperial will be including the Food Bank in the Grant expenses. For the Grant proposal, they have added a Delivery truck lift gate which is approximately \$18,000. Also, Driver wages as additional drivers will be required. Ms. Griffen offered to do a tour of their facility to show jurisdictions how they operate and their storage capacity.

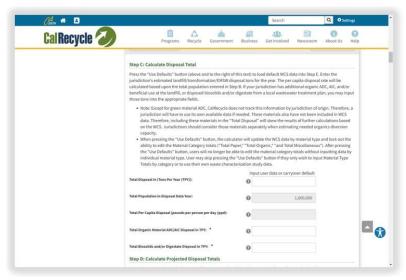
## 7. ADJOURNMENT

- Mr. Campos adjourned the meeting at 3:46 pm.
- It was discussed and approved among members to move forward in going dark for December TAC. There will be no pending items that can't wait until the January meeting. The proposal procurement process will move forward through the management and Board meeting in December. Ms. Galarza will follow up with an email informing members of the final decision for the Capacity Plan Project.

The next IVRMA TAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 14, 2023. For questions or comments, please call Maricela Galarza at (760) 996-0972, or email at <a href="mailto:maricelagalarza@imperialctc.org">maricelagalarza@imperialctc.org</a>.

	MSW	ReCREATE Waste Collaborative	SCS Engineers	Solana Center	Notes
Bussiness Profile	41760 Ivy St., Suite 203 Murrieta, CA 92562	Los Angeles Area*	3900 Kilroy Airport Way, Suite 100 Long Beach, CA 90806	137 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas, CA 92024 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation	
# of similar Projects/References	??	9 (JPA SB)	3(JPA Salinas)	4(JPA RSWA)	
Falls withing Timeframe Proposed	Y	Y	Y	Y	March 29& June 15
Total Costs for Project	\$ 109,944.00	\$ 108,540.00	\$ 109,968.00	\$ 109,935.00	

<sup>\*2</sup> reports due (1/1/2022-12/31/2024 report that was due 8/1/2022\*1/1/2025\*12/31/2034 report that will be due 8/1/2024)



Organic Waste Capacity Planning Calculator Tool

# Here are the steps for completing and submitting your Organic Waste Capacity Planning Calculator Tool Form:

- **Step 1:** Access the link to CalRecycle's Organic Waste Capacity Planning Calculator Tool on CalReycle's Website.
  - **Step 2:** Fill out the information requested on the website (Guidelines for the Calculator tool attached).
  - **Step 3:** Generate the Excel file by clicking the "Export to Excel" button at the bottom of the website.
    - (Here is a link to a sample Excel File for reference on what the output Excel file will look like)
- **Step 4:** Send your Excel file via email to <a href="mailto:maricelagalarza@imperialctc.org">maricelagalarza@imperialctc.org</a> with the subject line: "SB 1383 Organic Waste Form City of [Insert City Name Here]"

You can also offer the Capacity Planning webinar PPT and recording, both available here: <a href="https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/capacityplanning/recycling/">https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/capacityplanning/recycling/</a>, <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ihqX2EVuwM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ihqX2EVuwM</a>

## LOCATED AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE IN THE RESOURCES SECTION



A jurisdiction that has a rural or low-population waiver does not have to plan for organic waste recycling capacity for the area of the jurisdiction that has an approved waiver.

In addition, a county is not required to obtain information from a jurisdiction that is waived from all of the organic waste collection requirements and may subtract the waste generated in an area subject to a waiver for capacity planning purposes.

#### Resources

- Organic Waste Recycling Capacity Planning Calculator
- This web-based tool is intended to assist jurisdictions (including cities, unincorporated counties, regional agencies, and special districts) to plan for capacity needed to recycle organics materials as defined in the SB 1383 regulations. (See Section 18992.1(f)).
- Capacity Planning for Organic Waste Recycling Tools Webinar
   CalRecycle hosted a webinar to cover the capacity planning tools designed to help jurisdictions comply with the capacity planning requirements. Use of the tools developed by the department is optional.
- · PowerPoint Presentation
- These guidance tools were developed by CalRecycle as a courtesy for informational and example purposes only. Use of these tools is optional and is not a regulatory requirement. In the event of any conflict with these guidance tools or information herein, applicable statutory and regulatory provisions shall control. These tools and information herein are based on known facts and legal authority as understood by CalRecycle at the time of release. Any analysis, guidance, or other information herein may be subject to change based on changed facts or legal authority, actual or understood, subsequent to the publishing of these tools. The provision of these guidance tools and any analysis, guidance, or other information herein shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights or remedies available to CalRecycle. Users are encouraged to seek the assistance of legal counsel to comply with applicable state law based on their pertinent facts and circumstances. CalRecycle makes no representation that use of these tools will ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. The user assumes all risk and CalRecycle accepts no responsibility or liability to any person because of the use of, or reliance upon, these tools or the information herein.
- San Diego County Capacity Planning
- SB 1383 Infrastructure and Market Analysis Report
- Collection FAQ
- Recycle Organics

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE LET ME KNOW

# REPORTING EXPECTATIONS FOR JURISDICTIONS AND COUNTY

This submitted report must reflect the Calendar year 2021, which covers Jan. 2022-Dec 2024. This is the report that was supposed to be submitted on August 1, 2022. (This is the report IVRMA is asking for from all jurisdictions now to bring up to compliance)

There will be another submission required by the jurisdiction on August 1, 2024, as well to keep compliant on this section.

Please see below for more information on your role.

Each county is responsible for: (IVRMA HAS TAKEN THIS ROLE OF DATA COLLECTION FROM ALL JURISDICTIONS TO FORWARD TO COUNTY FOR SUBMISSION.)

- Collecting organic waste recycling capacity information from jurisdictions.
- Identifying any jurisdiction, including itself, that does not have enough organic waste recycling capacity.
- Submitting an organic waste recycling capacity report to CalRecycle on the following schedule:
  - August 1, 2022 (this is the current one I'm asking for to bring you up for compliance)
  - August 1, 2024 (this will need to be requested before this deadline to submit)
  - Every five years starting in 2029.
- Informing jurisdictions that have insufficient capacity that they must submit an implementation schedule to CalRecycle

## Each jurisdiction is responsible for:

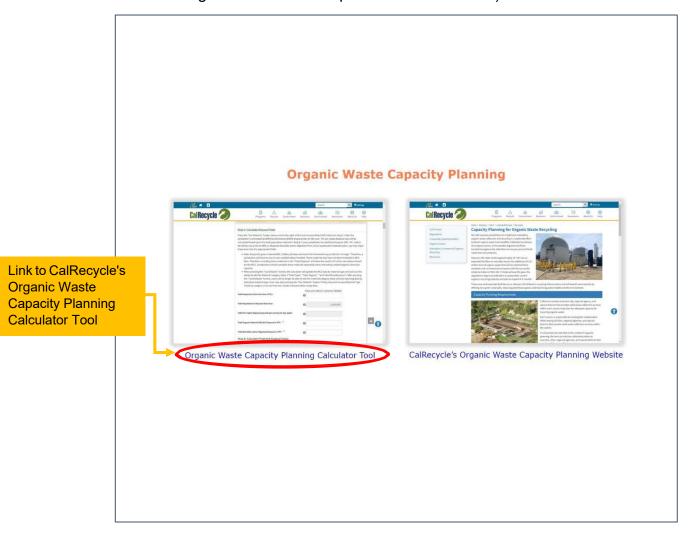
 Estimating the amount of organic waste in tons that will be disposed of by organic waste generators.

- Organic waste must include food scraps, landscape and pruning waste, wood, paper products, digestate, and biosolids.
- Identifying the amount in tons of existing organic waste recycling infrastructure capacity, located both in the county and outside of the county, that is verifiably available to the jurisdiction.
  - Verifiably available means that each jurisdiction can demonstrate the available capacity through a contract, franchise agreement, or other documentation of existing, new, or expanded capacity at a facility, activity, operation, or property that recovers organic waste. A facility permit is not an indication of capacity available to a jurisdiction.
- Estimating the amount of new or expanded organic waste recycling facility capacity that is needed to process the organic waste estimated to be disposed by organic waste generators.
- Responding to the county's request for necessary capacity planning information within 120 days.
- Submitting an implementation schedule to CalRecycle when the jurisdiction has insufficient organic waste recycling capacity.
  - The implementation schedule must demonstrate the jurisdiction's effort to secure organic waste recycling capacity.
  - The implementation schedule must include how the jurisdiction plans to obtain funding for infrastructure, such as through modifying franchise agreements or other means of financially supporting the expansion of organic waste recycling and identify existing organic waste recycling facilities that could be expanded to recycle additional organic waste.

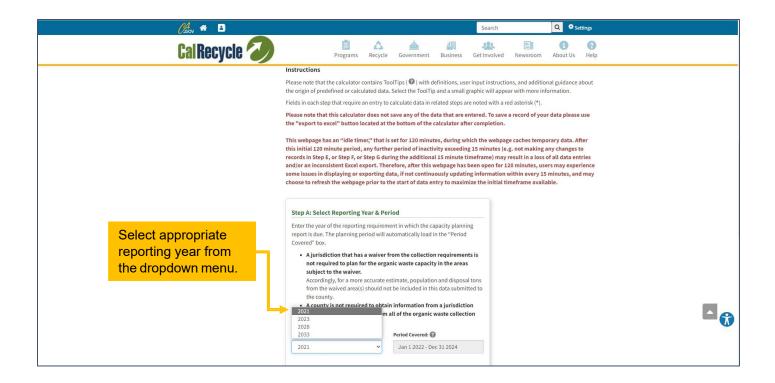
## Organic Waste Capacity Planning Data Submittal

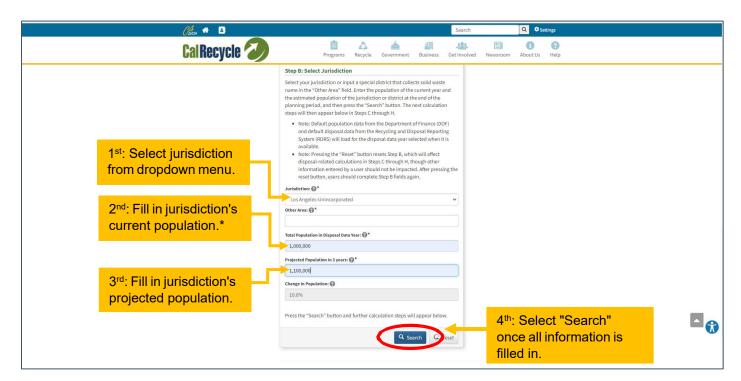
Step 1: Access the link to CalRecycle's Organic Waste Capacity Planning Calculator Tool.

(This tool is in a webpage format, where the user would input all information on the webpage itself and then generate an Excel spreadsheet at the end)

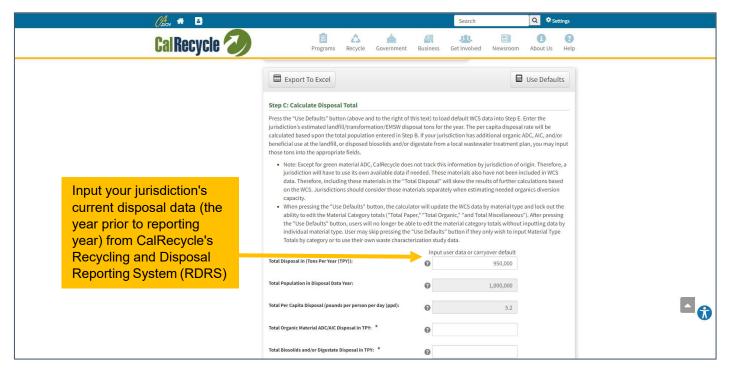


Step 2: Fill out the information requested on the website. (See notes below)

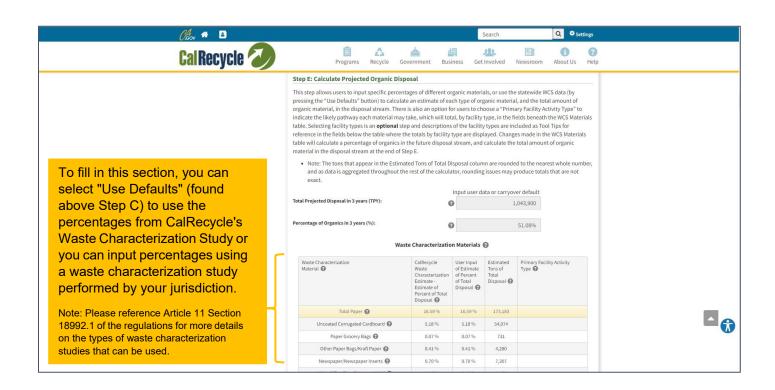




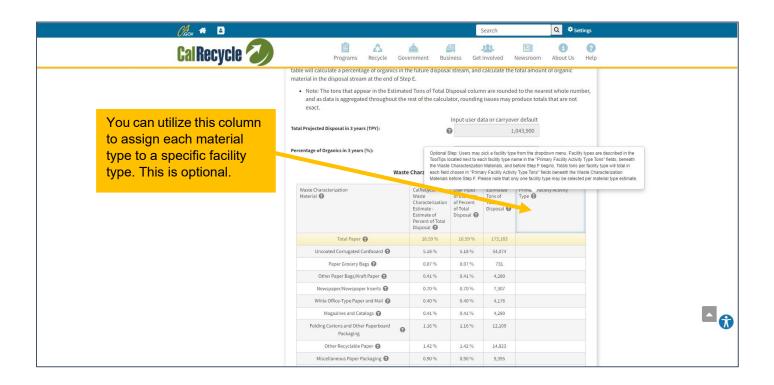
<sup>\* (</sup>You can find your jurisdiction's reporting year population using the most recent annual data from the California Department of Finance (<a href="https://www.dof.ca.gov/Forecasting/Demographics/Estimates/">https://www.dof.ca.gov/Forecasting/Demographics/Estimates/</a>).

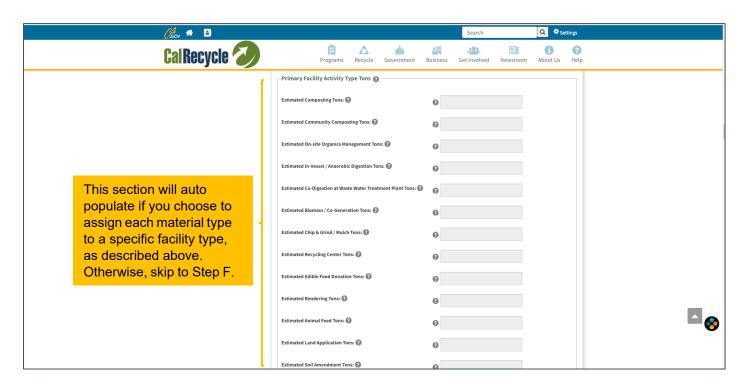


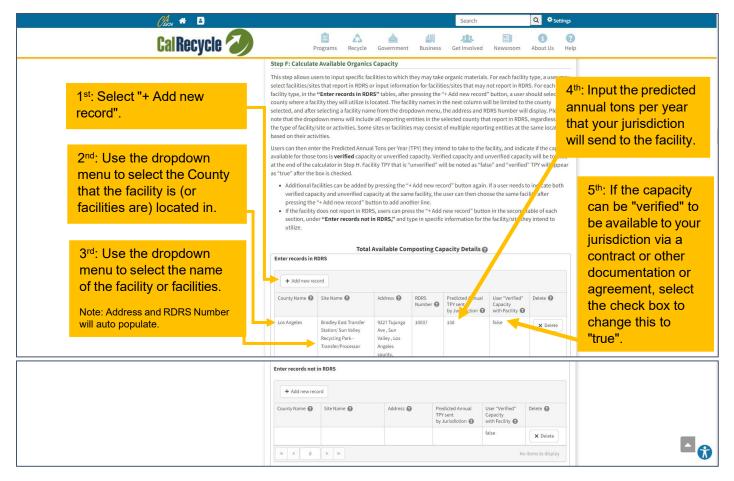
For reference: CalRecycle's Recycling and Disposal Reporting System (RDRS) Link



## \*\*\* (OPTIONAL STEP) \*\*\*

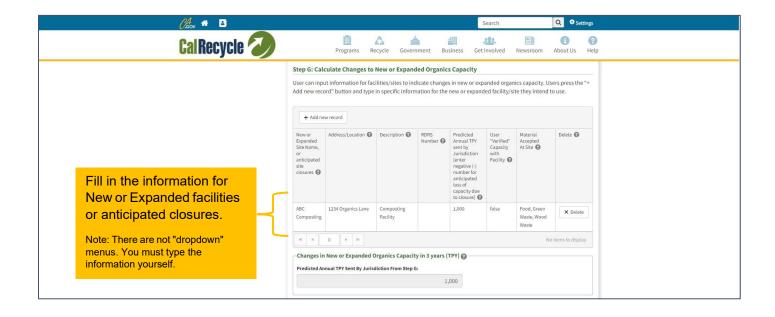


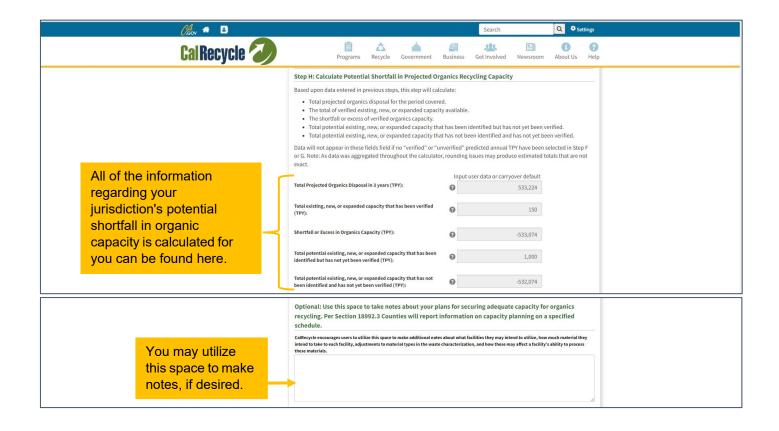




The sample above only shows the section on "Composting Capacity". You will need to repeat the steps, above, for all other capacities in the calculator (e.g., Community Composting Capacity, On-site Organics Management Capacity, In-Vessel/Anaerobic Digestion Capacity, etc.).

Note: For facilities or operations **not** found in RDRS, you will perform similar steps; however, instead of using a "dropdown menu", you will need to type in the County Name, Site Name, and Address.





Step 3: Generate the Excel file by clicking the "Export to Excel" button at the end of the page.



**Step 3A:** Save the Excel file to your computer for your reference.

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## THANK YOU!!!!

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### **DRAFT MINUTES**

January 25, 2024

<u>Present</u> <u>Quorum Attendees:</u>

Abraham Campos City of El Centro
Cedric Cesena City of El Centro
Frank Pacheco City of El Centro
Yvonne Cordero City of Imperial

Attendees:

Maricela Galarza IVRMA
Angelica Gerardo IVRMA
Clarissa Delgadillo IVRMA
Atenea Leal IVRMA
Matt Gray CR&R

Sylvia Gerardo Republic Services George Taylor Republic Services Chelsea Callahan Cal Recycle

Natalie Lessa ReCREATE Waste Collaborative

- 1. Mr. Campos called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. **No quorum was present.** Introductions were made
  - Hybrid meeting
- 2. Minutes for November 16, 2023, motion could not be made because of lack of quorum therefore was tabled for the following IVRMA TAC meeting Scheduled for February 22, 2024.

## 3. ORGANICS WASTE CAPACITY REPORT

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- The Capacity planning report has been forwarded to CalRecycle LAMB for further review and feedback. CalRecycle provided feedback to Ms. Galarza and has been forwarded to every jurisdiction by Ms. Galarza via email. If any questions or assistance Ms. Galarza may be contacted.

## 4. IVRMA UPDATES

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- A grant for an illegal disposal site abatement program will open during the fall. Ms. Galarza

questioned if cities would like to apply individually or if it should be done as a JPA Regional program. Ms. Galarza would like to prepare for the grant when the time comes if jurisdictions decide to move forward with it as a regional program. Ms. Galarza would need assistance from jurisdictions to provide locations seen and possibly photographs to support that the grant is needed in the Imperial Valley to provide the clean-up assistance.

- Ms. Cordero requested more information on the type of clean-up.
  - Ms. Galarza responded it would be any waste disposal. She clarified that if there's any illegal dumping on any sites in Imperial County with bulk items, appliances, and tires that could affect our water resource, public health in general, or agricultural lands it would fall under the program.
- Mr. Cesena requested more information on what type of support would be needed from the cities.
  - Ms. Galarza responded that cities have any staff or public works to provide locations and photographs of the sites and to be forwarded to Ms. Galarza so she can start a proposal for that grant.
- Mr. Campo requested information on whether it would conflict with the franchises.
  - Ms. Galarza responded as to where she can see it wouldn't affect because it's not a type of annual grant where there are cycles and can be applied every fiscal year. It would be more as needed basis.

Ms. Galarza mentioned that when the grant opens for applications in the fall, it will be presented at IVRMA TAC for further discussion.

## Ms. Delgadillo provided the following updates

- Presented the Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) program which is offered to small generating businesses. With the VSQG program, small generators can dispose of hazardous waste properly at the El Centro Household Hazardous Waste facility. Different items are accepted such as mercury-containing products, fluorescent bulbs, batteries, oil, etc. For businesses to qualify as a VSQG they must generate less than 220 pounds or 27 gallons of hazardous waste per month. After they determine they qualify as a VSQG they fill out a VSQG drop-off inventory sheet. Once the form is filled out it has to be submitted to IVRMA administrative who determines if they qualify as a VSQG and from there, an appointment would be scheduled for drop off. IVRMA outreach is reaching out to those businesses that qualify and believe the need for the program. For example, targeting banks, clinics, social services agencies, and offices collecting contact information to send out reminders via email as well.
  - Ms. Galarza has invited cities to reach out to IVRMA for their waste disposal needs generated at their local authority departments. This includes Hazardous, Universal, and Electronic waste disposal. IVRMA would waive disposal fees for JPA participating jurisdictions.
    - Ms. Cordero has requested something in writing that proposes that jurisdictions will be waived for the disposal of their variety of types of waste.
    - Ms Galarza will develop a letter presenting the program and the availability of disposal for jurisdictions at no cost.
- For SB1383 outreach with the cities, IVRMA would like to keep participating during their route inspections on businesses and residents. When the ReCREATE consultants come to the Imperial Valley IVRMA outreach will participate during inspections but after the consultants leave IVRMA outreach would like to keep participating with cities on their inspections. Moving on IVRMA will be doing outreach with CR&R in the cities of El Centro, Holtville, Calipatria, and Westmorland. Also, contacted the city of Imperial to provide outreach when they do inspections to businesses and residents.
- IVRMA outreach would also like to participate in the cities of Brawley and Calexico. For SB1383

kitchen food scrap pails, the cities of El Centro and Imperial have bought them and have provided IVRMA with pails to give out at Community events. Regarding the kitchen food scrap pails IVRMA has spoken to the cities of Calexico and Brawley and will be getting updates at a later time.

- For the Used Oil program, IVRMA has partnered with CR&R to provide free oil containers to the residents. Previously IVRMA was working with Certified Collections Centers (CCC) for example: AutoZone and O'Reillys but was not efficient for the residents. IVRMA saw a better opportunity with trash haulers via curbside. CR&R customers will call customer service requesting an oil container. CR&R driver will drop off at the customer's home and as soon the customer has filled out the container they will have to call back CR&R to request a pickup and a CR&R driver will be sent to do a curbside pickup. IVRMA would like for this to be a regional program and would like to offer it to Republic Services.

## Ms. Leal provided the following updates.

- IVRMA has coordinated clean-up events in the following incorporated cities Seeley, Ocotillo, Bombay Beach, Niland, Salton Sea, and Palo Verde.
- For community events, IVRMA has participated with the cities of Brawley, El Centro, and Imperial providing information on SB1383, Household Hazardous Waste, and the Used Oil program.
- IVRMA will also be participating in community events in the cities of Calexico and Holtville.

#### 5. CALRECYCLE LAND

Ms. Callahan provided the following updates.

- Cal Recycle had no updates but did mention as well if any jurisdiction needed help with Organic waste capacity planning reports she may be reached.

## 6. MEMBER ROUNDTABLE

Ms. Cordero provided the following updates.

- The City of Imperial has conducted residential lid-flipping inspections and has noticed contamination. To follow up on this contamination City of Imperial has sent out a notice to residents.

Ms. Callahan suggested the following.

- CalRecycle did provide an SB1383 chat Contamination Monitoring webinar which can be found on the CalRecycle YouTube webpage for reference.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

- Mr. Campos adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

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