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

AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, April 25, 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/82752661678?pwd=KyYKlb91eSkbdHDKrB7F49n1cdNRlb.1>

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Meeting ID: 827 5266 1678

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Chairperson: City of El Centro

Vice-Chair: City of Brawley

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DISCUSSION/ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **INTRODUCTIONS**
2. **FEBRUARY 22, 2024, MINUTES** REVIEW/DISCUSSION/*ACTION*
3. **ORGANIC WASTE CAPACITY REPORT 2025-34** Q&A/DISCUSSION
By IVRMA Staff
4. **EDIBLE FOOD CAPACITY PROJECT** UPDATES/DISCUSSION
By ReCREATE Consultant Team

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| 5. CALRECYCLE LAMD
<i>By CalRecycle LAMD Staff</i> | UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS |
| 6. IVRMA Preliminary Budget 2024-25
<i>By IVRMA Staff</i> | PRESENTATION |
| 7. IVRMA UPDATES
<i>By IVRMA Staff</i> | DISCUSSION |
| 8. MEMBER ROUNDTABLE
<i>By All</i> | DISCUSSION |
| 9. ADJOURNMENT | <i>ACTION</i> |

The next IVRMA TAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 23, 2024. For questions or comments, please call Maricela Galarza at (760) 996-0972, or email me at maricelagalarza@imperialctc.org.



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DRAFT MINUTES

February 22, 2024

Present

Quorum Attendees:

Abraham Campos	City of El Centro
Liz Zarate	City of El Centro
Frank Pacheco	City of El Centro
Yvonne Cordero	City of Imperial
Lily Falomir	City of Calexico
Ivette Rios	City of Holtville
Nick Wells	City of Holtville
Leslie Castaneda	City of Brawley
Jonathan Sahagun	City of Brawley
William Preciado	City of Brawley
Josue Castaneda	Imperial County

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
Jill Larner	Cal Recycle
Brian Marshall	MSW Consultant

1. Mr. Campos called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. **A Quorum was present.** Introductions were made. Mr. Campos delegated Mr. Pacheco, a City of El Centro Representative, to continue running the IVRMA TAC Meeting.
 - Hybrid meeting

2. NOVEMBER 16, 2023, MINUTES, & JANUARY 25, 2024, MINUTES were reviewed, and no comments or changes were requested. Minutes were adopted for November 16, 2023, and January 25, 2024. (Campos, seconded by Ms. Cordero) **Motion Carried.**

3. ORGANICS WASTE CAPACITY REPORT

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- Received feedback from CalRecycle regarding the Capacity Planning Report and has forwarded the report to all jurisdictions. CalRecycle is trying to approach all jurisdictions one-on-one to break down the organic report that they have submitted to provide feedback on a personal level if they have questions or clarifications needed. The Organic waste capacity reporting only applies to the non-waived cities. Calipatria, Westmorland, and Holtville do not have to submit the Organic waste capacity report.

4. IVRMA UPDATES

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- Currently working on a comprehensive project on which it's updating the HHW facility operation manuals. There will be a variety of changes and updates. Once completed all 3 facilities operation manuals El Centro, Brawley, and Calexico Ms. Galarza will forward a final draft via email for reference. In case asked for IVRMA compliance, it could be in records since it's a Regional type of program.
- ReCREATE Natalie Lessa consultant was not able to attend or join via Zoom but did provide updates to Ms. Galarza on what they are working on and where they are at.
 - Currently finalized both EFG's and FRO's packets for outreach.
 - ReCREATE is scheduled to be in the Imperial Valley by April's First and Second week on certain dates to come and do outreach to businesses. IVRMA staff will participate in outreach. If any jurisdictions have staff who would like to participate in the outreach is welcome.
 - Ms. Lessa has reached all jurisdictions regarding the website language for the Edible Food Recovery program. She did request feedback for them to finalize.
 - ReCREATE has developed an authorization to review the Edible Food program letter. The

letter

will be added to the tool kit for outreach. The letter is general and will be forwarded via email to jurisdictions to add their logo office contact information and city-authorized signature.

-ReCREATE is also currently working on the Enforcement approach and Complaint form.

Ms. Delgadillo provided the following updates

- IVRMA has continued doing outreach on the VSQG program to businesses and schools.
- For February Community events IVRMA outreach attended the Carrot Festival in Holtville and will be doing more events in Heber.
- For Clean-up events, there are none scheduled for February but has confirmed two clean-up events per unincorporated city for the whole year. One will occur in the summer or fall and the other during fall or winter.
- IVRMA has partnered with CR&R for the Used oil program. CR&R customers will call customer service requesting an oil container. CR&R driver will drop off at the resident'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 do a curbside pickup on the day of trash collection. IVRMA would like for this to be a regional program and would like to offer it to Republic Services. Sylvia Gerardo from Republic Services will send her schedule via email to the IVRMA outreach department to discuss the Used oil program.
- For SB1383 IVRMA has joined the City of Imperial for lid flipping and will continue to do so. IVRMA outreach will reach out to other cities that have been doing lid flipping to see if IVRMA

can participate as well.

- Updates for the 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. For the missing cities, Calexico and Brawley have provided updates regarding the kitchen food scrap pails.
 - Ms. Falomir from the City of Calexico mentioned they are still in the process of purchasing the pails. Once they have a finalized answer they will get in contact with IVRMA.
 - Mr. Mireles from the City of Brawley mentioned they are in the process of purchasing the pails and will have them by the end of March or early April.

Mr. Marshall provided the following updates.

- Minerva software has all CR&R jurisdiction's input and is ready to train. Mr. Marshall has reached out to all jurisdictions via email to schedule a date for training. The jurisdictions that have not yet responded to Mr. Marshall will resend the email. For Republic jurisdictions, Mr. Marshall is working with Ms. Gerardo to input the data and move forward with the training.

5. CALRECYCLE LAMD

Ms. Callahan provided the following updates.

- CalRecycle's next SB1383 webinar topic will be Capacity Planning occurring on February 29, 2024, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Invitations have been sent through the CalRecycle listserv. If someone wants the link to be sent you may contact Ms. Callahan. If anyone was not able or not added to attend the SB1383 webinar the video will be posted to the Cal Recycle Youtube channel.
- A reminder that the next round of Organic waste capacity planning 2025-2034 will be due August 1, 2024.
- Ms. Callahan will be reaching out to the Republic jurisdictions to set up calls to go over the Capacity planning reports. If any questions you may contact Ms. Callahan.
- Open applications for the following grants:
 - Workforce Development Grant Program
Due Date - March 5, 2024
 - Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program
Due Date - April 2, 2024
 - Beverage Container Redemption Innovation Grant Program
Due Date - April 16, 2024
 - Greenhouse Gas Reduction Loan Program
Due Date - Continuous
 - Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Program
Due Date - Continuous

6. MEMBER ROUNDTABLE

- Ms. Galarza mentioned that IVRMA outreach will gladly participate in any city's lid-flipping inspections.

7. ADJOURNMENT

- Mr. Pacheco adjourned the meeting at 3:29 p.m.

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