EL DORADO COUNTY
SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

El Dorado County Environmental Management Department
2850 Fairlane Ct., Placerville, CA 95667
January 11, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Don Nizolek, Task Force Vice-Chairperson**
Jeanne Lear, South Lake Tahoe Refuse
Allison Hamaker, EDH CSD
Bill McCluskey, County Resident
Sue Farris, El Dorado Disposal

ALTERNATES PRESENT: **Richard Krek, Cameron Park CSD/Fire Safe Council**

COUNTY STAFF: **Jon Souza, Environmental Management**
Jeff Rusert, Environmental Management
Dave Johnston, Environmental Management
Deana Watkins-Howey, Environmental Management

OTHERS PRESENT: **Sam Driggers, EDC Economic Director**
Jim Greco, Independent Consultant
Judy Mathat, County Resident
Mark Urquhart, HDR Engineering

MEMBERS ABSENT: **Dixon Schwarzbach, Task Force Chairperson**
Nancy Spinella, County Resident
Livia Amidon, Cameron Park CSD
Rick Angelocci, City of South Lake Tahoe
David Kelley, South Lake Tahoe Resident
George Turnboo, County Resident
Gary Pigg, City of Placerville

1. **Call to Order**
   Don Nizolek called the meeting to order at 2:37 pm.
   No Quorum wad established.

2. **Election of EDSWAC Chair and Vice Chair**
   With no quorum, it was agreed to send an email ballot to committee members.
   Dixon Schwarzbach was nominated as Chair by Don Nizolek. Don Nizolek was nominated as Vice Chair by Sue Farris. The ballot will have a write candidate space.

3. **Staff Announcements**
   None

4. **Approval of Agenda**
   No changes. Agenda accepted.

5. **Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2009**
   The inbound and outbound amounts for South Tahoe Refuse and El Dorado Disposal under the SRRE Programs were incorrect; just as far as they needed to be reversed. The number listed for STR was the number for El Dorado Disposal and vice versa.

Alison Hamaker was missing from the attendance list. She was absent from the meeting.
Minutes could not be approved since quorum was not established. Minutes, as corrected, will be voted on at the March meeting.

6. Meeting AB 939 Goals -

A. EDSWAC Purpose
Handouts provided by Jon Souza
Tabled until the March 2010 EDSWAC Meeting

B. Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Presented by Sam Driggers; County Economic Development
There is a desire to create a Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) in El Dorado County. A RMDZ zone offers advantages to businesses sitting in a particular community by stream-lining the permitting process and offering loans to start the businesses. These zone designations are given for a ten year period. There is only a limited amount of RMDZ allowed in the State. Businesses in these zones must manufacture products that show diversion of solid waste from the waste stream.

The Board of Supervisors tasked the Economic Development Department to identify development incentives to keep and attract businesses in El Dorado County. El Dorado County currently looses approximately 1 billion dollars in sales for out-of-County purchases. Creating a RMDZ in El Dorado County would help bring new businesses into the County which brings employment opportunities to the residents of the County and increases sales tax revenues. If this County creates a Zone or joins an existing Zone, Cal Recycle would be sending businesses to us to locate their new or existing businesses here. The El Dorado County Recycling Market Development Zone would encompass all of El Dorado County. A conceptual approval is being requested from EDSWAC to present to the BOS a recommendation that the BOS give Economic Development the go ahead to pursue a RMDZ. The committee members present at the meeting voiced their conceptual approval of sending an approval to the BOS. A formal request of the committee will be added to the Election of Officers email ballot.

C. Solid Waste Plan Working Group Update-
At the end of October the RFP closed. At the beginning of November the committee met to discuss the evaluation process of the submittals and developed a score sheet that the committee would use to score the three companies that are competing for the contract. On December 2nd the committee met again to discuss the results of the evaluation process and then had presentations by the three companies that had submitted proposals. Those interviews/presentations took place on December 10th and then the holidays came and the committee has not been able to meet to develop a final decision. The next meeting should have a selection of a firm decided and it can then move forward to the BOS.

D. Five-Year Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan (CIWMP)
Jon contacted the State and found out that the new CIWMP will be due in November. Jon passed out copies of the last plan. A subcommittee was created to review the plan and determine if any upgrades were needed to the existing plan. The committee members that volunteered for the subcommittee consisted of Sue Ferris, Jeanne Lear, Don Nizolek and Bill McCluskey. Gary Pigg and Rick Angelocci will also be invited to join the committee. Official creation of the subcommittee will be approved at the March EDSWAC meeting.

Jim Greco stated he felt what was actually due by November 15th is EDSWAC's response on whether or not the CIWMP is working. Once the response letter is given to the State, that date will trigger a 45-day review period when the County has to review the report.

7. Old Business/Action Items -

A. Surcharge Index/Rebate

The BOS dropped the surcharge from most residents in the County, but it did not affect the residents that live in the any of the CSD's or the Cities since they have separate franchise agreements. Don's garbage bill still showed the surcharge in effect, and it was assumed this was because he lives in EDH's CSD. Allison Hamaker pointed out that the EDH franchise agreement is due for renewal in August.

B. Business Recycling Ordinance

I. Sample State Mandatory Business Recycling Ordinance

II. Sacramento County Recycling Ordinance

Jon handed out sample ordinances for the committee to review. On December 9th the last of the CIWMB (as they were then known) approved the institution of local governments sample ordinances. Jon's opinion is that this will not happen this year and feels there's no urgency in discussing this topic at this time.

8. Legislative/Regulatory Update:

Jon stated that there wasn't really anything to report here. The first couple of months of the year, the legislature will review the bills that didn't get passed last year. The Chesboro Bill was gutted and Jon was not sure how it will come back. The Governor finally made an appointed (Margo Brown) for the new Recycling division under the Department of Conservation.

9. Agency/Jurisdiction Report:

A. Amador County –

Sue Ferris reported that starting on January 1, 2010 the El Dorado County portion of Amador Disposal service areas will now be serviced out of El Dorado Disposal. The only effected part of service is pick-up dates, but the material will go to the local MRF and will have the availability of the large customer service portion of El Dorado Disposal. They were able to maintain the same drivers for the service areas.

B. El Dorado Disposal / Western El Dorado Recovery –

Sue Ferris reported that El Dorado Disposal will now start collecting tires at the MRF as part of the new Tire Amnesty Grant. Christmas trees are still being collected at the MRF, as well as they are working on a number of community events.

C. Cameron Park Community Service District –

The Buy-Back center will be moved from behind Bel Air to a privately owned 2-acre parcel off of Durock Road. This Buy-Back center will be on the Voucher program, which will help to avoid any problems with the sites handling cash. There will be a container that can accept over flow of green waste materials and also comingled recycling and e-waste materials. On January 27th there will be a meeting of the Board to change their ordinance to allow for these new changes. The project has not been finaled until they do some improvements to the parcel, which they will have to make application with the Planning Commission to be approved. There will be secondary access off of Robin Lane to access the Center.

D. El Dorado County –

The committee was given a copy of the County's Event Calendar for the next four months. Folsom College's El Dorado Center contacted the County for a Career Fair. At the end of January, the

Reuse Assistance Grant will be finally finished. Jon stated this was the toughest grant that he has worked on in the past 15 years.

E. El Dorado Hills CSD

Allison Hamaker reported that the collection center off of Latrobe Road has created a commercial fee for dropping off green waste, because the commercial landscapers had found the site and were overloading the collection bins. Resident's can dump their green waste for free. There was a community clean up day that was quieter than previous years, possibly due to rain. Christmas tree chipping was a huge success. The EDH Franchise agreement is being renegotiated and expires in August.

F. City of Placerville

Sue Ferris reported for Gary Pigg, that the City's mandatory roll out program is complete. The process went really smooth and included approximately 400 customers. There were no complaints and anyone that applied for an exception was typically granted one.

G. City of South Lake Tahoe / South Tahoe Refuse Co., Inc.

Tire collection is currently underway. Christmas tree recycling is going on but is just about done. They have finally received their Certificate of Occupancy for the new facility. They are currently training on the chipper and working on staffing. The other half of the facility expansion will be worked on through the winter (weather permitting). They are working with the City of SLT on a commercial mandatory solid waste service including recycling services. They are also working with the school districts to develop school recycling programs. They are also working on a pilot food waste recycling program with Embassy Suites and hopefully the Marriott. This program would be accomplished initially with a front loader on a collection route.

10. Open Forum:

Judy Mathat asked how the Union Mine project was going. Greg Stanton responded that they are currently working on the contract language before they take it to the BOS.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned around 4:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 8, 2010 at 2:30 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by Deana Watkins-Howey

Approved:_____

Date: _____

Chairperson