EL DORADO COUNTY
SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

South Lake Tahoe Refuse
2140 Ruth Ave, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150
September 13, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Dickson Schwarzbach, Task Force Chairperson**
Don Nizolek, Task Force Vice-Chairperson
Nancy Spinella, County Resident (by-phone)
Jeanne Lear, South Lake Tahoe Refuse
Sue Farris, El Dorado Disposal
George Turnboo, County Resident (by-phone)

ALTERNATES PRESENT: **None**

COUNTY STAFF: **Jon Souza, Environmental Management**
Cathy Toft, Environmental Management
Deana Watkins-Howey, Environmental Management

MEMBERS ABSENT: **Livia Amidon, Cameron Park CSD**
Vacant, South Lake Tahoe Resident
Gary Pigg, City of Placerville
Rick Angelocci, City of South Lake Tahoe
Bill McCluskey, County Resident
Vacant, El Dorado Hills CSD

1. **Call to Order**
   Dickson Schwarzbach called the meeting to order at 11:50 a.m.

2. **Staff Announcements**
   Jon Souza introduced Cathy Toft to the committee, Cathy is the new full time Solid Waste R.E.H.S, whose job scope is to work with the Solid Waste grants and the solid waste complaints and a number of other solid waste issues.

3. **Approval of Agenda**
   Agenda was approved as written
   Yes - 6

4. **Approval of Minutes from July 19, 2010**
   A motion was made by Sue Farris and seconded by Don Nizolek to approve the minutes from July 19, 2010.

   Yes - 6
   Minutes approved.

5. **Meeting AB 939 Goals -**

   A. **Five-Year Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan (CIWMP) -**
   Jon presented the draft Five-Year CIWMP to the committee. Dickson wanted to know where the data came from to back up some of the information in the report. Don Nizolek asked for explanation on Section 6, as to where that data came from to support that there hasn't been a significant change in housing or population (Section 4.1), or to support the statement that all the jurisdictions are meeting their goals. Since the EDSWAC had not reviewed the data to support these facts it was decided that the subcommittee would get this background data from Jon and meet to review it. The deadline to turn the Five-Year CIWMP into the State is on November 15th.

Dickson made a motion, seconded by Sue to approve the 5-Yr plan with background data reviewed by the subcommittee. The subcommittee will be able to make any minor revisions based on the review. The subcommittee will have all the background data to review by September 24, 2010, and will meet together on October 5, 2010. The subcommittee will then present the final Plan to EDSWAC at the next meeting in November.

Yes - 6
Motion approved

B. 2009 Annual Report -

Jon presented the pounds per resident numbers from the 2009 Annual Report, they are:

Jurisdiction	Goal	Actual
Placerville	6.9	3.2
County	5.3	3.8
SLT	9.4	8.7

Cathy reported that Gerri Silva met with Wayne Lowry, the El Dorado Hills CSD General Manager, and the City of SLT General Manager who both gave their support of the Solid Waste Management Plan. However, they both stated they are unable to provide any financial support for the Plan. Gerri was unable to meet with the Cameron Park CSD. Gerri did meet with the SLT JPA (EDC, City of SLT & Douglas County), and that outcome was good; they are going to be able to contribute $42,000 to the Plan from a joint fund of money that was generated from solid waste activities. Each of the members of the JPA contributed money to this fund, and it takes the approval of each member of the JPA to allow money to be used. The JPA is also contributing $55,000 to help fund a rate review.

The New Point Group will be working on population projections to 2025, and Gerri is going to be asking them to provide a "vision" to be available sometime this fall.

Cathy also reported that the Solid Waste Inmate Crew will be starting up again with a new crew leader, Wayne McLaughlin. This crew picks up litter along County maintained roads on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Don Nizolek asked whether or not The Newpoint Group had met the two deliverables that were spelled out in the timeline given in the bid. They were to have met at least two deliverables by August 24th. ***The County will provide EDSWAC with a Project Plan Timeline and the tasks that have been completed by The Newpoint Group by the November EDSWAC meeting.***

6. Old Business/Action Items -

A. Recycle Bank – Power Point presentation by Sue Farris

Recycle Bank is a new program that is being offered by El Dorado Disposal to their customers. This new program is a recycling and rewards program. It rewards the individual home owner for already doing what they do…recycling. The goal is to provide the extra recycle cart for free, and for having the customers consolidating their recycling in order to recycle more. The program is being offered to the City of Placerville & Cameron Park CSD customers first, as an "opt in" program. How it works is that for each pound of material recycled a customer gets 2 ½ points. They are awarded their pounds as a cooperative for the people in their community. The program allows them to redeem their points through the Recycle Bank website. Points can be redeemed to purchase merchandise discounts through partnering businesses, or they can be used to pay their

garbage bills. Some local businesses partnering with Recycle Bank are Save Mart, the EDH and Cameron Park CSD Recreation Departments, and possibly more local businesses soon. Recycle Bank is a nationwide program. Recycle Bank also sponsors "Green Programs" for schools, so customers can choose one of those programs to donate their points towards. Basically it's a saving program that equates to about $200 a year for the average resident. The program will go live in mid-September. The program will be available in EDH and the unincorporated areas soon, as an "opt out" program.

7. Legislative/Regulatory Update-

Jon stated that there is nothing new to report.

8. Agency/Jurisdiction Report:

A. Amador County –

Sue reported that the annual clean-up day out in Grizzly Flats is scheduled for September 25th.

B. El Dorado Disposal / Western El Dorado Recovery –

They are working around the community with the annual clean ups and are busy rolling out Recycle Bank.

C. Cameron Park Community Service District –

Their annual fall clean up day is scheduled for September 25th.

D. El Dorado County –

The HHW events are occurring on every other Saturday at the EDH Fire Dept, and there is a HHW event scheduled for the Northside School in Cool on October 9th and Golden Sierra HS on Sept. 30th.

E. El Dorado Hills CSD -

The annual clean up day is scheduled for October 23rd. The fuel surcharge will be going away but EDH's voted two years ago to hold the surcharge flat, and then discuss it again when the franchise agreement came up. It could be gone within the next 90 days. They are still negotiating their franchise agreement.

F. City of Placerville -

Sue reported that all is status quo in Placerville. Hopefully, we will be getting someone new to be on the committee, but they are going through a lot of changes with retirements and budget cuts.

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

They increased their organic recycling by 43% (630 additional tons in a three month period) and are selling it to local contractors. They have run some green waste routes in targeted neighborhoods that worked very well. An additional conveyor line is being looked into between the MRF and the recycle center. They currently have three large properties they work with for food waste pickup that goes to a compost facility in Carson City (the only permitted food/organic waste facility in northern Nevada). The blue bag program is coming along very well. Fire Fest is scheduled for October 2nd.

H. Sierra Disposal –

Garden Valley/Cool annual clean up days are scheduled in October.

9. Open Forum:

There was a discussion as to how often members are attending meetings and how a number of jurisdictions have vacancies or representative that do not make it to the EDSWAC meetings. It was decided that the County will develop a letter to be sent off to the jurisdictions reminding of meeting requirements and requesting new members. Dickson agreed to co-sign the letter. The City of Placerville needs to provide a member, since there has been no one attending meetings all year. There also needs to be an alternate provided by the City of South Lake Tahoe.

Don pointed out that the EDSWAC charter states that the minutes are supposed to be forwarded to the BOS. ***The County will start forwarding copies of minutes directly to the Board Of Supervisors.***

Dickson asked if there is a place on the West Slope that would be able to take organic waste. Sue responded that there just isn't at this time, but because it takes so much product to make it work. George Turnboo stated that the Ione facility that recycles organic materials should be up and running sometime in the future to collect food/organic waste. George wants to see one of these types of facilities here in EDC.

An updated EDSWAC members list was requested from the County. An email will be sent out to each of the members asking for revised contact information.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Dickson and seconded by Don to adjourn the meeting.

Yes - 6

Next Meeting: November 15, 2010 at Environmental Management, 2850 Fairlane Ct., Placerville.

Minutes Submitted by Deana Watkins-Howey

Approved:_____

Date: _____

Chairperson