

# DEL NORTE SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE

## Minutes

Thursday 10 May 2012, 5:30 – 7:00 PM  
Del Norte Healthcare District Conference Room  
550 East Washington Blvd. Crescent City, CA

Attending Members: Mary Wilson, Chair  
Andrew Larson  
David Mason  
Brad Cass  
Richard Miles  
Karen Sanders, Vice Chair  
Joel Wallen

Absent Members: Irene Tynes (excused)  
Ray Martell

Also Present: Kevin Hendrick, Authority Director  
Tedd Ward, Authority Program Manager  
Rose Reppond, Authority Admin. Assistant

### ITEMS ON AGENDA:

1. Chair Wilson called the meeting to Order at 5:32 P.M.
2. Authority Program Manager Ward gave a presentation reviewing of the requirements of the Statewide Commercial Recycling Mandate for all multi-family complexes and commercial businesses that generate an average of four cubic yards or more of trash and recyclables per week, as attached. Discussion followed.
3. Authority Program Manager Ward gave a presentation regarding allowable methods for landlords or property managers to comply with the Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority's Recycling and Responsibility Ordinance 2008-01, as attached. Discussion followed.
4. Adjournment: Chair Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:28 P.M.

The next DNSWTF meeting will be on June 14th, 2012, starting at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Reppond, Authority Administrative Assistant  
Recording Secretary  
Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force

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AGENDA ITEM 2 , 10 MAY 2012

**2008 Solid Waste and Recycling  
Responsibility Ordinance of the  
Del Norte Solid Waste  
Management Authority  
and the  
Statewide Commercial Recycling Mandate**

**Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force  
May 10, 2012**

This is a summary. For complete information  
on all Authority Ordinances:  
[www.recycledelnorte.ca.gov](http://www.recycledelnorte.ca.gov)

**Del Norte Solid Waste Management  
Authority Ordinance 2008-01**

**Purposes (1)**

- Reduce Blight and Illegal Dumping
- Increase Resource Recovery
- Encourage and Enforce Proper Disposal and Recycling
- Direct regulated materials to appropriate facilities

## **Purposes (2)**

- To firmly establish the responsibilities for each person, property owner, business, government agency, and producer of products sold in Del Norte County to manage their associated discards using methods that do not damage the aesthetic, habitat, and property values of Del Norte County
- To establish enforcement procedures regarding the exclusive service provisions of the Collections Franchise and/or processing agreements

## **Prohibitions**

- Unsightly or Unhealthy accumulation of solid waste
- Adding or removing materials from trash or recycling containers other than yours
- Hauling waste or recyclables for a fee except as allowed under the Franchise Collection Agreement
- Hiring of non-franchise collector of trash

## Responsible Participation Required of Everyone (1)

- Residential Property Owners
  - Subscribe to Franchise Collection services, or
  - Provide basic trash and recycling services by Owner or Owner's employee self-hauling
  - Must provide 'Basic Services,' franchise-equivalent collection of solid waste, and 'recoverable materials' recycling by franchise subscription or registered self-hauling.
  - Each dwelling unit must have adequate access to containers
  - Collections Service Plan may be required by Authority for Self-haul Landlords collecting from 5 or more residential units
  - Tenants must use services (sample lease language)
  - Solid waste, composting, and recycling costs may be passed through to tenants and included in rent

## Responsible Participation Required of Everyone (2)

- Businesses
  - Subscribe to adequate Franchise Collection services, or
  - Register as Commercial Self-hauler
    - Covered loads, pay fees, no overdue charges, locations described in Service Plan OK
    - Authority retains records for registered self-haul
  - Landlords of non-residential properties may have written signed agreements to have some non-residential tenants assume responsibility for providing 'Basic Collection Services' Also, such landlord may hire non-franchise company to collect recyclables or re-usables (e.g. reusable bar bottles, grocery store corrugated recycling, confidential shredding and recycling, etc.)
  - Note that if three or more recyclable materials are placed in a container or cart prior to collection, Recology Del Norte has an exclusive franchise to charge fees for collecting such containerized mixed recyclables from properties for which they are not responsible.

## **Statewide Commercial Recycling Mandate (AB 341)**

### Businesses subject to this law:

- Businesses and agencies that generate four cubic yards or more of solid waste per week, and
- Owners and Responsible parties for multi-family residential dwellings that have five units or more

## **Statewide Commercial Recycling Mandate Requirements**

Responsible parties for such commercial properties must provide for the pickup of recyclables, on or before July 01, 2012 by:

- Subscribing to Recology Del Norte's recycling collections for such properties, or
- Collecting source separated recyclables from such properties as a self-hauler, or
- Arranging for weekly commercial recycling collections from a company like G. H. Outreach (note that this is NOT OK for multi-family properties), or
- Include language in the commercial lease specifying that commercial tenants that generate 4 cubic yards of trash or more each week must provide containers and weekly collection of recyclables from that property.

## The Bottom Line: How to Comply

- Responsible parties for any residential or multi-family rental property must provide basic level of service collections from that property
- Basic Level of Residential Service:
  - 32 gallons of trash collected weekly
  - 32 gallons of mixed recyclables collected weekly
  - Up to 2 bulky items collected per year (refrigerators or freezers count as two bulky items) for every two cubic yards of trash service collected weekly
  - Spring Cleanup week (up to 1.5 cubic yards of brush, once each year, sometime between March and June)
- Responsible parties for commercial businesses disposing of 4 cubic yards or more of trash weekly must also provide recycling collections, or require within the lease that the tenant provide such recycling collections for the duration of their tenancy

## **How Can I Make Sure My Properties Are In Compliance?**

### **For Residential Rental Properties:**

- Subscribe with Recology Del Norte for solid waste collections. For residential and multi-family properties, recyclables collections, limited bulky item collections, and spring cleanup collections are all included for no additional charge, or
- Responsible parties may provide collections services for their properties as self-haulers, but those services must include weekly recyclables collections. We also recommend that you save your receipts from the Del Norte County Transfer Station and Julindra Recycling so you can demonstrate that service is regularly provided.

### **For Commercial Properties that dispose of 4 cubic yards (880 pounds) per week or more:**

- Subscribe with Recology Del Norte for solid waste and recyclables collections. Commercial cart service (32, 64 or 96 gallons of trash per week) includes weekly collection of a recycling cart of the same volume for no additional charge, or
- Responsible parties may provide collections services for their properties as self-haulers, but those services must include weekly source separated recyclables collections. Companies like GH Outreach also collect loose mixed recyclables from commercial businesses. We also recommend that you save your receipts from the Del Norte County Transfer Station and Julindra Recycling or GH Outreach so you can demonstrate that service is regularly provided, or
- Include language in the commercial lease specifying that commercial tenants that generate 4 cubic yards of trash or more each week must as an enforceable condition of the lease, provide containers and weekly collection of source separated recyclables from that property.
- Note that if three or more recyclable materials are placed in a container or cart prior to collection, Recology Del Norte has an exclusive franchise to charge fees for collecting such containerized mixed recyclables.



## Should the Authority change Ordinance 2008-01?

### Process:

- This meeting is for input to the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force.
- The Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force then advises and provides written suggestions to the Authority.
- The Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority considers changes to its Ordinance.
- (The Authority can also advocate for changes to the Statewide Recycling Mandate, but that is a much longer process with no certain outcome)

## Should the Authority Change Ordinance 2008-01?

*Recommended Ordinance revision would allow residential landlords (4 or fewer units) to comply by requiring tenants under lease to subscribe to Recology DN Collection services:*

### SECTION 8. SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR RENTAL PROPERTIES

8.01 Responsible Parties to Assure Provision of Franchise-Equivalent Basic Collection Services for each Tenant of their Rental Properties. All Responsible Parties are required to assure that their every Tenant receives Basic Collection Services for the duration of their tenancy. The services and Collection frequency must provide a capacity, diversity and convenience of service for each Tenant that is as convenient and comprehensive as, or better than, the Basic Collection Services available from the Franchise Collector for that Tenant's Customer Class.

8.01.1 Responsible Parties for a commercial or non-Multi-Family residential property (i.e. not more than four residential units at the same address) may provide such services as Registered Self-Haulers, or may sign up for Franchise collection services for their property. For properties where there is adequate space for trash and recycling carts at each residence, Responsible Parties may comply with this section by including language in their lease or rental agreement that requires their tenant to sign up for weekly Franchise cart collection services for the duration of their tenancy, and requires that such tenants will not allow uncontainerized trash to accumulate on the property they rent or lease for more than seven days.

8.01.2 Responsible parties for Multi-family Dwelling Units (i.e. five or more residential units at the same address) may provide Basic Collection Services as Registered Self-Haulers, or may sign up for Franchise cart or bin collection services for their property. Basic collection service responsibilities for multi-family dwelling units remain with the Responsible Party and cannot be delegated or transferred to tenants, regardless of language in lease or rental agreements.

# Some Examples and Options

## EXAMPLE 1: Multi-family rental with 6 units

Option	Facility	Services	Type	Collected	Monthly Rate	Annual	Annual Savings
Existing	Multi-family w/ 6 units	1.5 cy	trash	weekly	\$ 193.92	\$ 2,293.92	Receiving not included; Containers included
Option 1	Multi-family w/ 6 units	57.72 gal	trash	weekly	\$ 141.72	\$ 1,693.44	\$ 600.48
Option 1		57.32 gal	recycling	weekly			Receiving not included; Containers included

## EXAMPLE 2: Single-family rental with 1 unit

Option	Facility	Services	Type	Collected	Monthly Rate	Annual	Annual Savings
Existing	Single-family w/ 1 unit	33 gal on call	trash	weekly	\$ 24.27	\$ 291.24	Receiving not included; Containers included
Option 1	Single-family w/ 1 unit	32 gal on call	trash	weekly	\$ 25.62	\$ 307.44	\$ 16.20
Option 1	Single-family w/ 1 unit	34 gal on call	recycling	weekly			Receiving not included; Containers included
Option 1	Single-family w/ 1 unit	5 c 40 bags	extra trash	when set out		\$ 42.42	

## EXAMPLE 3: Commercial building with 4 tenants and a shared dumpster

Option	Facility	Services	Type	Collected	Monthly Rate	Annual	Annual Savings
Existing	Commercial, 4 tenants	4 cy	trash	weekly	\$ 415.92	\$ 4,990.24	6 cy total collected volume weekly
Existing	Commercial, 4 tenants	2 cy	recycling	weekly	\$ 154.28	\$ 1,851.36	4 cy total collected volume weekly
Option 1	Commercial, 4 tenants	3 cy	trash	weekly	291.92	3,503.04	\$ 1,487.20
Option 1		1 cy	recycling	weekly	74.92	899.04	4 cy total collected volume weekly
Option 2	Commercial, 4 tenants	2 cy	trash	weekly	223	2,676.00	\$ 2,314.24
Option 2		2 cy	recycling	weekly	154.28	1,851.36	4 cy total collected volume weekly
Option 3	Commercial, 4 tenants	4 c 95 gal	trash	weekly	\$ 613.68	\$ 7,364.16	\$ 2,374.00
Option 3		4 c 85 gal	recycling	weekly			Receiving not included; Containers included
Option 4	Commercial, 4 tenants	1 cy	trash	weekly	\$ 177.68	\$ 2,132.16	4 cy total collected volume weekly
Option 4		1 cy	recycling	weekly	\$ 74.92	\$ 899.04	
Option 4		2 c 82 gal	trash	weekly	\$ 253.84	\$ 3,046.08	\$ 1,086.08
Option 4		2 c 82 gal	recycling	weekly			Receiving not included; Containers included