

DEL NORTE SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE

Minutes

Thursday, 10:00- 11:15
September 20th, 2012
Ocean View Inn
270 Hwy 101 South
Crescent City, CA

Task Force Members Present: Pat Black
Brad Cass
Richard Miles
Andrew Summers
Joel Wallen
Ralph Dickie
Wes Nunn
Mary Wilson, Chair

Task Force Members Absent: Dave Mason
Karen Sanders
Ray Martell

Also Present: Kevin Hendrick, Authority Director
Tedd Ward, Authority Program Manager
Spencer Fine, CalRecycle
Terry Brennan, CalRecycle

1. Call to order. Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 10 AM.
2. Discussion and possible action regarding meeting minutes of 8-9-12. On a motion by Richard Miles seconded by Wes Nunn, the minutes for the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force meeting of August 9th,2012 were approved on a voice vote, with Ralph Dickie abstaining and all others present voting 'Yes.'
3. Public comment Richard Miles said he wanted further action regarding Authority Ordinances at this meeting.
4. Discussion and Presentation by Spencer Fine from Cal Recycle regarding an overview of Cal Recycle, the elements of the 5 Year Review, what other areas are doing, and resources available to the Task Force. Spencer Fine is the local assistance person from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) with immediate oversight responsibility over the Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority's compliance with the

California Integrated Waste Management Act as amended, and Terry Brennan is Mr. Fine's supervisor at CalRecycle. They were in town to inspect the Authority's reuse, recycling, and composting programs (also referred to as 'landfill diversion' programs), and were happy to meet with the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force as part of that effort. They explained that the due date for the five year reviews were set by the approval date for the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan, and that the current Five-year review is overdue, should cover the period (2005-2010), and was actually due at the end of 2010. Since CalRecycle generally is most interested in helping jurisdictions achieve compliance with these State mandates, missing such a deadline is not itself cause for enforcement action, but if a jurisdiction was not meeting its targets, such a missed deadline could be considered as evidence that a 'good faith effort' was not being applied. Since the Authority's maximum disposal target was set at 4.0 pounds per person per day, and in the 2011 annual report, the Authority achieved compliance with a rate of 3.0 pounds per person per day, there is no real risk of any enforcement action at this point.

Mr. Brennan strongly encouraged the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force to complete this Five year review as expeditiously as possible, relying on the expertise of the Authority staff. The five year review should include:

- Changes in demographics, markets, or funding (to be completed by Authority staff)
- a demonstration of the 15 years disposal capacity required under the Siting Element (to be completed by Authority staff),
- any changes to the Non-disposal facilities element, including (at least) any and all new facilities requiring a solid waste facilities permit,
- a letter from the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force commenting on the implementation of reuse, recycling, composting, special waste, household hazardous waste, and education and public information programs described within the Regional Agency Integrated Waste Management Plan, possibly including suggestions about how these programs might be expanded or improved.

5. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned.

**Indicates attachment