

**DEL NORTE SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE
MINUTES**

Thursday, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
November 8th, 2012
Ocean View Inn
270 Hwy 101 South
Crescent City, CA

Present: Mary Wilson, Chair
Karen Sanders
Richard Miles
Wes Nunn
Pat Black
Joel Wallen
Andrew Larson
Ralph Dickie

Absent: Ray Martell
Dave Mason
Brad Cass

Also Present: Tedd Ward, Authority Program Manager

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:33 P.M. with all parties present as indicated.
2. On a motion by Wallen, seconded by Miles, the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force adopted the minutes for the DNSWTF meeting of 04 October 2012 by a unanimous voice vote, with Dickie abstaining.
3. Chair Wilson called for public comments, and hearing none, continued with the meeting.
4. Program Manager Ward discussed the potential impact of closure of Resource Recovery Park and Eco Store on Del Norte County diversion goal. Ward clarified that the Resource Recovery Park described the plans for the development of the property adjacent to the Transfer Station, and that the Eco-Store was operating under Resource Recovery Solutions, which is a division of the Hambro Group. Ward also explained that most of the nearly 75 tons of material that came from the Del Norte County Transfer Station in 2011 as free outbound items were sold through the

Eco-Store. Ward explained that there would still be a 'Free' table at the DNCTS for reusable items, and Hambro/WSG continues to have a financial incentive to place reusable items there, so he hoped the closure of the Eco-Store, while regrettable, would not have an immediate obvious adverse impact to the amounts disposed from Del Norte County.

Dave Mason arrives at 5:46 P.M.

Joel Wallen of Hambro/WSG explained that most of the revenue from the Eco-store came from the sales of dirty fines and other soil amendment products. With the shutdown of the Cresdek pressboard plant and the associated closure of the hog fuel burner that used a substantial fraction of the yard debris from the DNCTS as fuel, many of the associated activities that made the venture viable have shut down. The materials that were in Eco-Store for sale are slowly being moved over for sale at the store run by Our Daily Bread ministries.

5. Chair Wilson suggested that the group brainstorm ways to address long term sustainability of Solid Waste Authority. Discussion followed.

Ray Martell arrives at 6:25 P.M.

Wes Nunn made a motion to 'Ask the Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority if they want to consider funds for a consultant to evaluate sustainability of the Authority.' Wallen seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Wallen withdrew his second, and Nunn withdrew the motion.

Dave Mason asked that Authority staff provide 'a ballpark estimate of the tax revenue that would be needed to cover all expenses for the Authority-administered services, including mandatory collection and current facility operations.'

Chair Wilson tabled this item to a subsequent meeting.

6. Chair Wilson tabled discussion and possible action regarding items of interest or of concern to the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force to a subsequent meeting.

7. Chair Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Tedd Ward
DNSWMA Program Manager