



**Date:** February 25, 2020  
**To:** Zero Waste Sonoma Board Members  
**From:** Leslie Lukacs, Executive Director  
**Subject:** **Executive Director Update from the January 15, 2020 Board Meeting**

1) C&D Facility Certification: ZWS and partner agencies have worked with a consultant over the past two years developing C&D facility certification protocol, convening two regional stakeholder meetings and refining the process using stakeholder input. The resulting facility certification protocol has been named the Municipal Recovery Certification and its purpose will be to evaluate C&D recovery operations and facility diversion data for certification reporting to CalRecycle. As of last month, the Municipal Recovery Certification is now in a pilot phase and ZWS met with Republic, Pacific Sanitation, Recology, each of whom operate a mixed used C&D recycling facility. Each company agreed to be a part of the pilot and we are working out the details of the process and expectations.

2) Industry Conferences: Staff is practicing and/or presenting at numerous upcoming conferences as follow:

- All Staff – Norther California Recycling Association Recycling Update, March 17<sup>th</sup>, Berkeley, Leslie is a speaker “Challenges and Benefits of Compostable Products Collection”.
- Leslie Lukacs, Sloan Pagal, Courtney Scott, Karina Chilcott: National Zero Waste Conference, March 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, Berkeley, Leslie is the conference co-chair and welcome speaker.
- Courtney Scott: Used Oil and HHW Training and Symposium, March 23-27, Sacramento, speaker “Collaborating for Impactful HHW Temporary Events”, Courtney is nominated for the “Renaissance Person Award”, introducing the keynote speaker and is on the conference planning committee and the sustainability committee.
- Leslie Lukacs: Biocycle Conference, March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>, Sacramento, Speaker, “Cost Impacts of Enforcing Provisions of Mandatory Organics”.
- Xinci Tan: Biocycle Conference, March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>, Sacramento, Speaker, “Compostable Products: Peeling Back The Onion”

3) Renewable Sonoma Negotiations: Staff and the attorney will meet with Renewable Sonoma (RS) after the board meeting to continue the Pre-Development Agreement negotiations. A meeting with the Board’s Negotiations AdHoc committee will be scheduled after the RS meeting.

4) Organics Processing Facility Update: On February 3, all Board members should have all received an email newsletter with an update on the organics processing facility. The newsletter was sent to all jurisdiction elected officials, city managers, and community members who signed up to receive notifications. If you did not see the newsletter then please click the following link <https://mailchi.mp/691bc0a50244/proposed-organics-processing-facility-newsletter> .

5) Zero Waste Resolution and Disposable Food Ware & Polystyrene Foam Ordinance: Below is a status update of the Zero Waste Resolution and Disposable Food Ware & Polystyrene Foam Ordinance.

Jurisdiction	ZW Resolution: Update	Disposable Food Ware/Polystyrene Update
City of Cloverdale	Adopted Aug., 2019	Adopted Feb. 12, 2020
City of Cotati	Adopted Sept. 10, 2019	Sept 24, 2019 (Presentation); 1 <sup>st</sup> hearing Jan 28; 2 <sup>nd</sup> hearing March 15, 2020
City of Healdsburg	Adopted April 15, 2019	Adopted Dec. 16, 2019
City of Petaluma	Adopted July 2019	Polystyrene Ban Portion Adopted on November 18 <sup>th</sup> 2019 (effective May 1, 2020)
City of Rohnert Park		
City of Santa Rosa	Presented with poly. ordinance	Presentation to Climate Action Committee expected in March/Apr 2020
City of Sebastopol	Adopted 10/16/2018	Effective Nov. 25, 2019
City of Sonoma	Presented with poly. ordinance	Presentation Jan 13, 2020; 1 <sup>st</sup> hearing Mar 16, 2020
Town of Windsor	Adopted July 17, 2019	Adopted Feb. 5, 2020
County of Sonoma	Presented with poly. ordinance	Presentation expected May, 2020