April 17, 2013



To: SCWMA Board Members

From: Henry J. Mikus, SCWMA Executive Director

Executive Summary Report for the SCWMA Board Meeting of April 17, 2013

The Consent Agenda approval contained a single item: the Minutes of the March 20, 2013 Regular Board Meeting.

The FY 13-14 Final Budget was presented to the Board. Approval of the budget, per the provisions in our Agency's governing "Joint Powers Agreement," requires a unanimous vote. This is a balanced budget which includes maintenance of the same level of service as in previous years, with no increase in the user fee structure. The reserve accounts would all be maintained at the levels required by the approved Reserve Policy. One item of note is that funding is included for conducting a new Waste Characterization Study; the most recent such study was done in 2006. The FY 13-14 Agency Budget was approved by a unanimous vote.

The Carryout Bag Ordinance Final EIR was presented to the Board. The presentation included the planned next steps in the process to adapt and implement the ordinance, plus presentation of the Draft Administrative Penalties Ordinance and a Draft Indemnification Agreement. During the several rounds of visits to our member jurisdictions' governing bodies during development of the carryout bag ordinance, the promise was made to give all members a last opportunity to discuss the ordinance after the EIR was complete; thus staff is prepared to give presentations to all member jurisdictions wish for that to occur. Once the final round of visits is concluded, and all member jurisdictions wish to proceed, the Board will decide on certification of the final EIR, and introduce via the "First Reading" the Carryout Bag Ordinance and the Administrative Penalties Ordinance. At a subsequent Board meeting the "Second Reading" and adoption of both ordinances would occur. It is anticipated the ordinance effective date would be January 1, 2014, and the time interval between adoption and the effective date would be used for outreach and education.

The New Compost Site Final EIR was presented to the Board. Several speakers offered public comment opposing selecting the Central Alternative Site. The Board gave staff direction to put together a full analysis of the prospective sites that would include practical and financial considerations in addition to the environmental issues examined in the EIR as a guide to site selection; this report is planned to be ready for the Board by the June 19, 2013 Board meeting.

Under "Staff Comments" the Board was advised that Supervisor Zane, who is now the County Board Representative, had asked to move the standard "Third Wednesday" Board meeting date due to a conflict. The Board agreed to discuss this request as an agenda item at the next meeting.