



May 15, 2013

To: SCWMA Board Members

From: Henry J. Mikus, SCWMA Executive Director

Executive Summary Report for the SCWMA Board Meeting of May 15, 2013

**Consent:** The Consent Agenda approval contained two items: the Minutes of the April 17, 2013 Regular Board Meeting and the Third quarter Financial Report for FY 12-13.

**Item 5:** As a consequence of Board discussions during the Agency budget approval process recently, staff was asked to prepare a report on the current status of local C&D diversion efforts and to look at possible future actions with respect to a draft C&D ordinance. The Agency had a model C&D ordinance prepared in 2009. All local jurisdictions have some manner of C&D diversion effort, but the list is diverse, making it challenging to craft and implement an encompassing ordinance. However, consistency can be improved by the adoption of a uniform diversion percentage requirement and incorporation of the CALGreen standards into all programs. The Board directed staff to work with our members to do so. The Board also asked staff to begin looking at a program for certifying C&D processing facilities.

**Item 6:** Staff presented the recently completed Zero Discharge Plan for our compost facility. The plan has been submitted to the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board. Upon acceptance of the report by the NCRWQCB, staff was directed to issue an RFQ for further design and implementation of the plan.

**Item 7:** A "Site License" with Sonoma County for use of County property at the landfill for our HHW Toxics Facility was approved. Previously the property use was set forth in a three-party agreement between the County, the Agency, and our HHW contractor. Now there will be two separate two-party agreements: one, Agency-County for property use, and another, Agency-contractor, for operations.

**Item 8:** In order to establish a balanced budget for the upcoming fiscal year, the Board had agreed in principle to do a single year extension for our existing HHW operations contract. This contract extension was formally presented and was unanimously approved.

**Item 9:** The Board discussed the meeting schedule for the upcoming three months in consideration of project time-lines and agenda content. The Board agreed to cancel the June meeting and hold the July and August meetings as originally scheduled.

**Item 10:** Supervisor Zane, the County representative to the Agency Board since January, requested a change to the standard "third Wednesday of the month" Board meeting schedule. The Board decided to keep the standard meeting schedule in its current format.

**Boardmember Comments:** Steve Barbose, City of Sonoma, gave a SWAG report.

**Staff Comments:** I discussed the recent occurrences regarding odor complaints from compost and related Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) actions. This is a complicated situation with many odor-emitters; the appearance is compost is getting singled-out. The latest LEA letter indicates any compost odor off-site will result in a violation notice, which is just not practical.

CalRecycle wishes to visit with all member jurisdictions to discuss their individual efforts with waste diversion programs. Since we do many of the tasks on behalf of our members, we would be glad to participate in these meetings. We will communicate this information with City Managers and appropriate staff.