



Date: July 18, 2014
To: SCWMA Board Members
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Executive Summary Report for the SCWMA Board Meeting of July 16, 2014

Item 3: The Board met in Closed Session to discuss “Anticipated Litigation”.

Item 7: The Consent Agenda contained two items: the Minutes of the May 21, 2014 regular Board Meeting, and the Minutes of the June 23, 2014 Special Board Meeting; both were approved.

Item 8: Compost Zero Discharge Project Update: The Zero-Discharge Plan was sent to the NCRWQCB July 11, 2014. Progress on several plan elements was reviewed, including the design of the new large pond, the CEQA evaluation, and a couple interim measures for the current facility to reduce the volume of storm water draining and quality improvements. There was no formal action required for this item.

Item 9: Compost Zero Discharge Ponds Consolidation: One interim improvement measure included in the Zero-Discharge Plan is consolidating the two existing, small ponds into one larger pond, mainly via removing the dike dividing the two. This would double the available storm water storage capacity. Despite initial intentions, a design-build contract cannot be used for this project. The Board approved a not to exceed cost amount of \$400,000 for this work on a Unanimous Vote.

Item 10: Sonoma Compost Agreement First Amendment: Another Zero-Discharge plan component is to reduce the compost facility work area, thus also reducing the amount of storm water that is created, by using a new windrow turning machine that more efficiently uses space, for a 15 to 20% space improvement. Staff and Sonoma Compost (SCC) proposed a contract amendment that would eliminate the revenue sharing provision allowing SCC to use future potential revenues to pay for the new equipment. This item passed on a 9:1 vote with the City of Petaluma as the dissenting vote.

Item 11: Recycling Market Development Zone Renewal: Sonoma County participates in a CalRecycle program to encourage use of recycled materials as feedstock. This program, the Sonoma/Mendocino/Lake RMDZ, is up for renewal. SCWMA, by resolution, can act for the renewal on behalf of our member jurisdictions to expedite the renewal process. The resolution was passed by a unanimous vote.

Item 12: Attachments/Correspondence: The attachments were the July & August 2014 Outreach Calendar, an invitation to a “kick-off” event for the locally produced reusable bags, and the Draft Amended JPA Agreement which is to be considered by the SCWMA members for adoption.