

Date: January 21, 2015

To: SCWMA Board Members

From: Henry J. Mikus, SCWMA Executive Director

## **Executive Summary Report for the SCWMA Board Meeting of January 21, 2015**

<u>Item 2:</u> The Board met in Closed Session to discuss Litigation and employee performance (Agency Counsel); the Board had nothing to report from the discussion.

<u>Item 6:</u> <u>Election of Officers:</u> The Board elected the following officers: Petaluma, Chair; Rohnert Park, Vice-Chair; and Santa Rosa, Chair Pro-Tem.

<u>Item 7:</u> <u>Consent:</u> Items 7.1 December 17, 2014 Minutes, 7.2 Legal Services Budget Appropriation, 7.3 Compost Zero Discharge Plan Update, and 7.4 GIRE Contract Extension were approved by the Board.

Item 8: Compost Site Selection Update: The Board discussed ongoing efforts regarding selecting and constructing a new compost facility. Given environmental enhancements newly included in the preliminary design presented to the Board in October 2014, CH2M Hill was retained to review the Final EIR for the project to have the EIR appropriately reflect these improvements. The report is due to be presented to the Board in March 2015, at which point a decision should be made to either recirculate the EIR or to amend the Final EIR. Also, the Board gave direction regarding additional efforts to refine the preliminary design, including discussing phased construction and determining more detail about the Gore components for the project. It is also the Board's intention to ask the County to request a cost proposal from their MOA partner, Republic, once the MOA is implemented, for operating the compost program.

<u>Item 9:</u> Annual Review of the Rules of Governance (bylaws): The SCWMA "Rules of Governance" were revised to include allowable provisions in the Brown Act that would permit limited disclosure of confidential information received in an Agency closed session to certain individuals in a member's jurisdiction. The intent is to allow the fullest sharing of information with our member jurisdictions' governing bodies. The new "Rules" are attached; please specifically refer to new sections 16 and 17.

<u>Item 10:</u> <u>Attachments/Correspondence:</u> The attachments were the January & February 2015 Outreach Calendar, the Annual Education & Outreach Reports, and a "notice letter" from NCRWQCB regarding the landfill Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR), and adding Republic Services to the WDR.