



Memorandum

MONTEREY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

DATE: April 22, 2022
 TO: Board of Directors
 FROM: Zoë Shoats, Director of Communications
 SUBJECT: TAC / SB 1383 Update from March 9, 2022, Meeting

RECOMENDDATION: That the Board receive this report.

BACKGROUND

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is a staff working group comprised of at least one representative from each member jurisdiction MRWMD serves; the three franchise haulers who serve them; and MRWMD staff. The TAC was initially formed to better coordinate MRWMD member jurisdictions in choosing a common franchise hauler to provide curbside collection service for the benefit of the community. Since then, the group meets at a frequency set by demand to share resources and work collaboratively towards common goals and meet regulations. The Committee does not make decisions, rather, staff members recommend actions for the MRWMD Board and/or their elected bodies to take action.

DISCUSSION

The TAC met on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, virtually via Zoom. Items discussed include:

1. SB 1383 Compliance Update for CalRecycle Representatives – CalRecycle Environmental Scientist, Esmeralda Alvarado, joined the TAC meeting and heard an update from District staff and member jurisdictions as to our progress to-date in meeting various aspects of SB 1383.
2. Planning for CalRecycle Representatives In-Person Visit in May – CalRecycle representatives plan to visit the Monterey Regional Waste Management District in-person at our May 11 TAC meeting. A tour of the Keith Day composting operations will be given by MRWMD staff and TAC members. We plan to showcase the residential co-mingled food scraps/yard trimmings stream with the commercial food scraps stream. The residential stream incorporates food scraps only under SB 1383, whereas the commercial stream currently allows for BPI- and CMA-W-certified compostable serviceware. Differences will be highlighted showcasing reduced contamination of end-product in the new residential stream. We look forward to hosting CalRecycle.
3. TAC Site Tour Series of MRWMD – A discussion was had around a more comprehensive site-wide tour of MRWMD. Most TAC members have toured the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) and a composting tour was given in October 2021. The District plans to host TAC members for a site-wide tour in the summer to highlight other programs.
4. Planning Process for Rate Increases, Including District Tip Fees – An update was given from HF&H as to the status of rate increases from GreenWaste Recovery effective July 1, 2022. District staff also gave an update about timing of tip fee increase notifications.

5. Enclosures for Multi-Family Residences Through Permit Process/Coordinated Model Specs – A discussion was had amongst the member jurisdictions around a coordinated model for multi-family trash enclosures. Input was received from the haulers.
6. Update on CalRecycle SB 1383 Initial Compliance Reports Due April 1 – An update was given that MRWMD staff were submitting SB 1383 Initial Compliance Reports to CalRecycle on behalf of its member jurisdictions by the April 1, 2022 deadline.
7. Scheduling Remaining Shared Costs MOU Appendix Passage to include Grant Fund Allocation – An update was given by District staff notifying those member jurisdictions that still need to pass Appendix C to the SB 1383 Shared Costs MOU for CalRecycle Local Assistance Grant funds.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None

CONCLUSION

The TAC will continue to meet monthly and staff members will make recommendations to the boards they serve for action as needed.