



# Memorandum

## MONTEREY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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DATE: February 18, 2022  
TO: Board of Directors  
FROM: Zoë Shoats, Director of Communications  
SUBJECT: TAC / SB 1383 Update from January 21, 2022, Meeting

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**RECOMENDDATION:** That the Board receive this report.

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### **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, January 21, 2022, virtually via Zoom. Items discussed include:

1. CalRecycle Local Assistance Grant Program – CalRecycle recently announced grant funding available to local jurisdictions to assist with expenses related to SB 1383 implementation for FY 21/22. The grant is non-competitive and allocates funds according to population with a minimum of \$20,000 per jurisdiction (see table for funding estimates provided by CalRecycle).

<b>Monterey County MRWMD Service Area</b>	
Carmel-by-the-Sea	\$ 20,000
Del Rey Oaks	\$ 20,000
Marina	\$ 29,771
Monterey	\$ 38,247
Pacific Grove	\$ 21,398
Pebble Beach CSD	\$ 20,000
Sand City	\$ 20,000
Seaside	\$ 43,151
<b>Total (minus County)</b>	<b>\$ 212,567</b>
Monterey County (applied for funding separately)	\$ 141,034

CalRecycle required a separate application for each jurisdiction. MRWMD hired Blue Strike Environmental to submit the grant applications by the February 1, 2022, deadline and coordinated with staff to ensure all elements of the grant were met in a timely manner.

Except for the Monterey County who decided to apply separately, all member jurisdictions tentatively agreed to pool resources and apply in a joint effort on shared projects to meet SB 1383 regulations. Member jurisdictions from Salinas Valley Recycles also agreed to pool resources. Projects will be undertaken County-wide to best utilize economy of scale.:

A subgroup of the TAC was formed and recommended that grant funds be spent on four main projects critical to SB 1383 implementation:

- A portion of cost for jurisdictions' required procurement of compost
- An edible food recovery app to connect sources of recoverable food to organizations that feed people.
- Capacity planning and expansion of edible food recovery organizations
- Technical assistance for large commercial or multi-family generators

If jurisdictions don't already have a resolution allowing MRWMD to apply for grant funds on their behalf with the last five years, those will be coming to councils in February for approval before the March 1 deadline. In addition and for organizational purposes, the SB 1383 Shared Costs MOU already adopted by MRWMD and each member jurisdiction will also be updated to include a new exhibit outlining the remittal of SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant funds to the District for the projects described above.

2. SB 1383 roll-out updates – MRWMD, its commercial composter, Keith Day Company and the three franchise haulers all gave updates on the first few weeks since implementation. Many of those updates were shared in the January TAC/SB 1383 memo to the Board.
3. Compost procurement – A discussion surrounding the mandatory procurement of compost by member jurisdictions under SB 1383 took place.

### 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.