

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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## SOLID WASTE ADVISORY TASK FORCE (SWAT) Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2010

### MEMBERS:

**George Huntington (D) - Vice Chair**  
Melissa Morgan (A)  
John Davis (A)  
Ray Hansen (A)  
Diana McKeen (A)  
Tony Mata (A)  
Phillip Dupper (D)  
Jennifer Shankland (A)  
Bob Figoni (A)  
Chuck Tobin (A)  
Mark Motherspaw (A)  
David Prusch (A)  
Doug Moore (A)  
Nancy Sidhu (D)

Town of Yucca Valley  
City of Highland  
City of Victorville  
City of Chino Hills  
City of Apple Valley  
City of Fontana  
City of Loma Linda  
City of Yucaipa  
City of Ontario  
Private Recycler, Burrtec Waste Industries  
Special Districts – Big Bear City CSD  
SBCo. Board of Supervisors, Third District  
SBCo. Board of Supervisors, Fifth District  
Public at Large

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### ATTENDEES:

Matthew Wirz  
Ron Grider  
Jim Hart, City Manager  
Deborah Allen  
Julie Surber  
Jon Reid  
Marti McGrath-Gregg  
Steven Mucker  
John Ragsdale (A)  
A. Bambi Tran  
Gerry Newcombe  
Claudia Rozzi  
Mary Patterson  
Olivia Sanchez  
Erika Ellis  
Rex Richardson  
Liz Villa

City of Grand Terrace  
City of Yucaipa  
City of Adelanto  
City of San Bernardino  
SBCo. County Counsel  
SBCo. EHS/LEA  
SBCo. EHS/LEA  
SBCo. EHS/LEA  
Public-at-Large  
Beyond Shelter Studios  
SBCo. SWMD  
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(D) = Delegate                      (A) = Alternate

### Board of Supervisors

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PAUL BIANE ..... Second District          GARY OVITT ..... Fourth District  
JOSIE GONZALES ..... Fifth District

**I. Call to Order and Self Introductions:** Meeting called to order by **George Huntington**, Vice-Chair, at 1:34 PM, followed by self-introductions. Quorum present.

**II. Informational items available at the sign-in table:** **George Huntington** advised those in attendance that the following items were located on the sign-in table.

- A. SWAT Roster
- B. Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) Projects List
- C. Legislation Update
- D. Updated SWAT Technical Committee Roster
- E. Draft Membership Committee Roster
- F. Draft Strategic Planning Committee Roster

**III. Approval of Meeting Minutes – April 28, 2010:** Meeting minutes from April 28, 2010 were approved with the correction to include **John Davis** who was in attendance at that meeting. **Bob Figoni** requested informational handouts and minutes be distributed sooner than the customary two weeks prior to the meeting. **Gerry Newcombe** suggested that the handouts and minutes be posted on the County Website. **Rex Richardson** stated that he would look in to this for future meetings.

**IV. SWAT Committee Reports:**

**A. Membership Committee:** **Melissa Morgan** reports that the Membership Committee met in September, the committee would like to be able to fill vacant spots on the SWAT roster. SWAT approved a motion to designate this committee serve as the SWAT Nominating Committee.

**B. Strategic Planning Committee:** Update was given by **John Davis**. This committee was renamed at the September meeting from Technology Committee to the Strategic Planning Committee by its members. Motion made and approved by the SWAT to rename this committee the Strategic Planning Committee. The intent of this committee is to look at alternative reduction, recycling, composting and energy technologies and report back to the SWAT. The report will seek to identify and quantify the types of materials being landfilled in San Bernardino County, research and recommend alternative technologies. The committee is going to look at regional and statewide waste characterization studies to identify the types of materials that are going into the landfill system in San Bernardino County, generated from both within and imported into the County. The committee is going to inventory existing permitted facilities and capabilities. The committee will also look at the regulatory framework. Waste generators will also be inventoried and review what options we have or will likely have to address the materials identified in the waste characterizations. Various committee members are working on specific parts of the report.

**C. Technical Committee: John Davis** explained that the *SWAT Rules* do not allow for non-SWAT members to be committee chairs/vice-chairs. Consequently John was elected Technical Committee Chair, with Diana McKeen elected as Vice-chair. The committee discussed the status of the Waste Disposal Agreements (WDAs) and procedural process to be used. Discussion also about the types of items to bring to the SWAT including today's presentation on the California's new Green Building Codes.

**V. Approve Membership Committee Roster, Chair and Vice-Chair:** All members in favor.

**VI. Approve Strategic Planning Committee Roster, Chair and Vice Chair:** All members in favor.

**VII. Approve updated Technical Committee Roster:** All members in favor.

**VIII. Legislative Update: John Davis** gave a legislative update. Approved: AB1343 directs architectural paint manufacturers develop a recycling program for used paint; SB390 extends the RMDZ program sunset from July 1, 2011 to July 1, 2021; AB2398 beginning in 2010, there will be a five cent per square yard surcharge on new carpet to help fund recycling of old carpet to achieve a 40% recycling rate in the next eight years. Vetoed: AB737 attempt to increase statewide recycling rate goal. Failed: AB1998 which would have imposed a five-cent fee on single use plastic bags.

**IX. LEA Projects Update: Jon Reid** briefly went over update handout for October, with one update that the Inland Environmental facility was issued their full solid waste permit on October 14, 2010.

**X. Presentation: California's New Green Building Codes – Bambi Tran:** Bambi Tran provided a Power Point presentation on Green Building Codes and distributed a handout to follow along with the presentation. The Green Building Codes will be in effect as of January 1, 2011 on all new buildings and will require, among other things, a 50% diversion rate on new construction debris. There was considerable discussion regarding the new codes.

**XI. WDA Update: Jim Hart,** City Manager of Adelanto, who was part of the original committee that worked to put the WDAs together, stated that he along with Ray Casey, Yucaipa city manager, have sent out emails to the city managers of the WDA cities inquiring first if they're interested in continuing a new WDA and secondly if so, what would the timeline be that would work for them. Jim stated that thus far he has had just a few responses. **Gerry Newcombe** stated that the County is using the City Managers Group as the forum for these negotiations. This sub-committee of the Managers Group meets monthly. Topics will likely include; is it appropriate to continue the WDAs, the

term of the agreement, what we like/don't like about the agreement, and can Community Service Districts participate in the WDAs.

**XII. Member Comment:** None.

**XIII. Public Comment:** **Gerry Newcombe** commented that CalRecycle is proposing to increase fees to landfill operators, which if successful, will increase the gate rate by .18-.20 a ton for all customers, including WDA cities. Gerry also stated that the Regional Water Quality Control Boards are looking to significantly raise their Waste Discharge Requirement fee which will also result in an increase in the gate rate. **Olivia Sanchez** stated that there will be a CRRRA meeting featuring a presentation on large venue recycling on November 9, 2010.

**XIV. Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 3:12PM, next meeting is set for April 20, 2011.