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## AGENDA TUOLUMNE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Solid Waste Committee April 10, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:**  
Conference Room 3A  
48 Yaney Avenue, Sonora, Ca 95370

**\*ZOOM OPTION AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC\***

**Meeting ID: 880 3748 8832**

**Passcode: 886878**

<https://tuolumne-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/88037488832?pwd=4rL2bPedT1UZHyvjPsbhO0e71eD826.1>

### 1. INTRODUCTIONS

### 2. PUBLIC FORUM

The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken by the Committee. The amount of time allocated for the public forum is limited to 15 minutes.

### 3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- a. Consideration of approving the minutes of the meeting on March 13, 2024.

### 4. STAFF / COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Don't Trash Tuolumne – Woods Creek Cleanup – April 13th 9-11:30
- b. Home and Garden Show – April 19 & 20<sup>th</sup>
- c. Temporary HHW Event – May 18<sup>th</sup>
- d. Dollar Dump Day Event Report
- e. AB 2902 (Wood) – SB1383 Waiver Extension-Committee Hearing
- f. Master Allocation Accounts

### 5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Greenwaste Programs
  - i. Drivers – Climate Action Plan/ Community Wildfire Prevention Plan/SB1383
  - ii. Stakeholder Identification
  - iii. Program Types

### 6. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Meeting time/duration
- b. Meeting frequency (10 meetings/yr; no meeting in July or December)

### 7. NEXT MEETING – May 8, 2024.

### 8. ADJOURNMENT



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## MINUTES UNAPPROVED TUOLUMNE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Solid Waste Committee March 13, 2024 at 1:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Ryan Campbell, District 2 Supervisor; Jaron Brandon, District 5 Supervisor; Andy Merrill, Sonora City Council Member; John LaTorre, At-Large Public Committee Member

**STAFF:** Kim MacFarlane, Director of Public Works; Deborah Reagan, Solid Waste Director; Halee Eaton, Administrative Technician II; Amy Welch, Solid Waste Specialist; Monique Figueroa, Solid Waste Technician I; Bryce Howard, Solid Waste Consultant; Brittaney Barton, Administrative Technician II

**GUESTS:** Jim Garcia, District Manager at Cal Sierra; Jennifer Duran, Mattress Recycling Council; Jason Revord, 1Pileatotime

**ABSENT:** David Goldemberg, District 1 Supervisor; Anaiah Kirk, District 3 Supervisor

### CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Campbell called the meeting of Wednesday, March 10, 2024, to order at 1:02 P.M.

### PUBLIC FORUM

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### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- **Consideration of approving the minutes of the meeting on Wednesday, February 14, 2024.**  
Supervisor Campbell looked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Solid Waste Committee Meeting on Wednesday, March 13, 2024. No changes or additions were suggested. A motion was made by Committee Member La Torre and a second by Supervisor Campbell. Motion passes 3 – 0 – 2 with Supervisor Goldemberg and Supervisor Kirk absent.

### STAFF / COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Board Vacancy Update**

Debbie Reagan gave an update on the BOSSWC member vacancy. This item will be brought to the board on March 19<sup>th</sup>, under the Committees and Commissions report. The item was pulled from consent as there was multiple applicants. Staff will be making a recommendation that the board appoint Michael Griffin into the position for a two-year term.

- **AB2902 (Wood) – SB1383 Waiver Extension**

Debbie Reagan gave a report on Assembly Bill 2902. This bill will directly affect Senate Bill 1383. Tuolumne County is currently exempt from the curbside collection of organics until December 31, 2026. This bill would extend the exemption for rural counties extended indefinitely and encourage community composting with some regulatory relief. This may be a topic of discussion at the Environmental Services Joint Power Authority (ESJPA) meeting that Debbie Reagan and Supervisor Campbell will be attending on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

Committee Member La Torre raised concerns with the exemption and it potentially causing a delay in working towards an organics program in the future. Kim MacFarlane and Andy Merrill expressed that requesting additional support with an extension will allow for more flexibility and time to work on a feasible solution.

Discussion Ensued.

- **Sullivan Creek/Mono Way Bridge Cleanup**

Jason Revord with 1Pileatatime held a cleanup event March 9-10, 2024 at Sullivan Creek and the Mono Way Bridge. The Solid Waste Division will be accessing the 1,000 tons allowance under the contract with Waste Management to help with covering the dump fees. Over 11,000 pounds of trash and 33 yards of metal were removed from this location. Jason Revord reported that the cleanup had a significant turnout with volunteers that made this cleanup possible. 1Pileatatime is looking at setting up a cleanup event in Big Hill at the end of April. Advertisement will be pursued with the Union Democrat and MyMotherLode to spread the word to anyone who would like to volunteer.

- **Don't Trash Tuolumne – Woods Creek Cleanup**

The first Don't Trash Tuolumne cleanup event will be held on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M., at Woods Creek Park in Sonora. To register for the event, please use the following link <https://www.dont-trash-tuolumne.com/events>. There will be a volunteer BBQ to follow at 11:30 A.M.. A member of the public stated that the tribe is also planning an event at Woods Creek Park for the following weekend, staff will follow up with tribal council to ensure that the events do not take place on the same day.

- **Additional Reports**

At-Large Public Committee Member John La Torre raised concerns regarding the process of scheduling a household hazardous waste appointment for the Solid Waste Divisions monthly collection events held in Jamestown. Discussion ensued over the possibility of creating an online scheduling program where instead of calling in to schedule an appointment, residents would have the option to do so online. Staff will see if OpenGov would be a viable option.

Amy Welch gave a report on upcoming collection events in Tuolumne County. The polystyrene collection event will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. at Waste Management, Inc. on Microtronics Way. Please remove tape, tags, labels, etc. Clean, colored polystyrene food containers are also accepted. Please see attached to view the event flyer. <C:\Users\heaton\Documents\Styrofoam Event.pdf>

On Saturday, March 30, 2024, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. and 3:00 P.M., the Tuolumne County Solid Waste Division, in co-operation with Cal Sierra Earth Resource Facility will be hosting a “Green Waste Dollar Dump Days” event for Tuolumne County residents. The event will be held in East Sonora at the Cal Sierra Earth Resource Facility located at 14909 Camage Avenue. This program has been established to provide Tuolumne County residents an opportunity to clear their property of hazardous vegetation, up to one (1) cubic yard, and dispose of it at a significantly reduced disposal rate of \$1.00 a cubic yard (3x3x3). Any waste over one (1) cubic yard will be charged the regular rate for disposal. Residents will be required to show identification verifying they reside in Tuolumne County. This program is for Tuolumne County residents **ONLY**, sorry no contractors or commercial businesses are permitted. <C:\Users\heaton\Documents\24 03-30 Dollar Dump Days Info Sheet - FINAL.doc>

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **BOS Letter of Support for AB2902**  
Please see item “**AB2902 (Wood) – SB1383 Waiver Extension**” above for further discussion on Assembly Bill 2902.

Recommendations for changing some of the language in the letter of support were made by the committee. Staff will work with the Board Clerk to ensure that the changes are made and deadlines for submitting are met.

- **Illegal Dumping**
  - A. Environmental Preferred Products Purchasing Policy requirement**  
On Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, Environmental Preferable Products Purchasing Policy will be brought to the Board of Supervisors meeting. This policy is a requirement for the Farm and Ranch Grant that will be due April 2<sup>nd</sup>, allowing cleanup on both public and private land through zoned agriculture. Another grant is the Illegal Waste Tire Dumping that closes on April 9<sup>th</sup>, which also has funds that can be used on private and public locations. Both grants are competitive and without the policy, the grants will not be successful. Resolutions and the policy must be in place by early May.

Discussion ensued.

**B. Enforcement**

On Saturday, March 2, 2024, between 8:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M., the Tuolumne County Solid Waste Division and the Greater Valley Conservation Corps held a tire recycling event for Tuolumne County residents. The event was held in East Sonora at the Greater Valley Conservation Corps satellite offices located at 14993 Camage Avenue. This event was extremely successful and nearly 500 tires were collected. Disposal costs were covered by grants that the County had received. On Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 129 tires were illegally dumped at GVCC after the event had ended. The Sheriff's Department has opened a case, GVCC is looking at getting cameras installed to prevent this from happening again in the future.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next scheduled Board of Supervisors Solid Waste Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 1:00 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Campbell adjourned the Board of Supervisors Solid Waste Committee Meeting of Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 2:15 P.M.