



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT



STAFF REPORT

To: SBWMA Board Members
From: Kevin McCarthy, Executive Director
Date: January 22, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting
Subject: Executive Director's Report

Board Agenda/Packet Items

For your planning purposes, please see agenda item 8A for a schedule of important financial and rate setting milestones in calendar year 2015, including budget review schedule and solid waste rate setting process. Staff will update this each month with any changes.

A listing of future potential Board agenda items can be found under agenda item 8D. This is also updated monthly. Notable upcoming Board agenda items include a discussion on the TAC at the February 26th meeting, a staff presentation on the draft Long Range Plan at the March 26th meeting, and a preliminary FY1516 budget discussion at the April 23rd Board.

Program and Operational Update

Recology to Acquire Community Recycling (member of SBR, LLC)

On December 17, 2014 the Board approved the consent to Assignment of majority interest in South Bay Recycling, LLC to Recology, Inc. SBR has not yet filed updated required legal documents which need to be filed on or before Recology's acquisition of Community Recycling's interest in SBR.

Recology Hiring of New General Manager for Recology San Mateo County

On December 23, 2014 we received an announcement from Recology that Mario Puccinelli will be promoted to Recology's Group Manager South Bay Region effective January 1st. Mario began his career working as a garbage collector in 1978 for Golden Gate Disposal and Recycling (a Recology company) in San Francisco and has taken on subsequent positions with Recology with increasing areas of responsibility. On behalf of my staff, let me extend again my congratulations to Mario on his promotion.

Mario will stay on as General Manager (GM) until a new person is hired. Per the franchise agreements, the SBWMA will participate in the hiring process. The staff report for agenda item 6A addresses this item and the inclusion of Board Members on an interview team along with staff.

Impacted Port of Oakland Operations Effect Shoreway MRF Operations

A slow-down at the Port of Oakland operations over past several months and intensifying in recent weeks has significantly impacted SBR's ability to export baled commodities via the Port. The staff report for agenda item 7B provides details on the impacts and the extraordinary costs that are being incurred as a result of SBR having to store baled commodities offsite as onsite bale storage capacity is full. The mid-year budget includes an estimated one-time cost impact of \$175,000. This is a fluid situation and more broadly a situation impacting U.S. commerce. Staff will provide regular updates on any notable changes in this situation and its impact on Shoreway MRF operations.

Announcements

Staff would like to extend its thanks to former San Mateo council member Robert Ross for his service on our Board and best wishes for improved health.

We would like to extend our congratulations to current Board Member Catherine Carlton on her new role as Mayor in Menlo Park, to Board alternate Art Kiesel as the new Mayor in Foster City, to Board alternate Cameron Johnson as new Vice Mayor in San Carlos, and to former Board Member Lisa Yarbrough-Gauthier as the new Mayor of East Palo Alto.

Finally, I wanted to extend my personal thanks to Jim Hardy for his many years of outstanding service on our Board from its inception in 1982 until 2013 when the Board changed its governance structure to elected officials. Jim recently announced his pending retirement as the city manager in Foster City.

News of Interest

Below is a link to an article on a proposed introduction of a pharmaceutical take-back ordinance by San Mateo County Supervisor Adrienne Tissier. Such take-back approaches require the manufacturers of specified products to pay for the proper management of their discarded products.

<http://www.sfexaminer.com/sanfrancisco/proposed-san-mateo-county-ordinance-would-require-drug-companies-to-pay-for-disposal-program/Content?oid=2916717>