DATE: October 25, 2017

TO: Waste Management Authority Board

FROM: Wendy Sommer, Executive Director

BY: Angelina Vergara, Schools Program Manager

SUBJECT: Schools Program Overview

SUMMARY

StopWaste supports public schools in Alameda County through:

- Educational transfer station tours
- School-based student action projects
- Technical assistance

At the October 25 WMA meeting, staff will present an overview of the schools program. Additionally, students from Castro Valley’s SMART Environmental Club will provide an overview of how they have applied learnings from the StopWaste Schools Program into their sustainability efforts.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information only.

Attachment: Schools Program Overview Flyer
4th Grade Field Trip

Field trips to the StopWaste Education Center

Public school students can learn first-hand what happens to their recyclables, compostables and garbage at a materials recovery facility and transfer station. Free bus transportation provided.

Questions? Contact Arielle Conway (510) 891-6537 or aconway@stopwaste.org.

Grades 4-6

4Rs Student Action Projects

Bring academic fun and the 4Rs: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rot (compost) into the classroom. Students engage in project-based learning and develop skills to make a difference in their school and their community.

StopWaste educators visit the classroom and facilitate a three-part series of two-hour lessons.

Questions? Contact Angelina Vergara (510) 891-6520 or avergara@stopwaste.org.

Middle & High School

StopWaste Ambassador Program (SWAP)

SWAP offers a range of services to help advance environmental education and leadership in Alameda County middle and high schools. Programs include:

- **Service learning projects**
  Develop leadership and organizing skills through community based projects.

- **Action planning field trips**
  Trips to local transfer stations where students develop and plan waste reduction action projects.

- **Camp Arroyo leadership weekend**
  Annual event open to all participating schools.

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