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Fred Simon, City of San Leandro, WMA, EC

Jeff Wang, City of Union City, WMA, EC

Timothy Burroughs, Executive Director

AGENDA

MEETING OF THE
ALAMEDA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT
AUTHORITY BOARD (WMA)
AND
THE ENERGY COUNCIL (EC)

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

3:00 P.M.

IN PERSON MEETING LOCATION: STOPWASTE BOARD ROOM 1537 WEBSTER STREET, OAKLAND, CA

This meeting will be conducted in a hybrid model with both in-person attendance and Teleconference participation:

Teleconference location #1: 1404 LeRoy Ave Berkeley, CA

Teleconference location #2: Pleasanton City Council Conference Room, 200 Old Bernal Ave, Pleasanton, CA

Teleconference location #3: 118 Glashaus Loop, Emeryville, CA

Teleconference location #4: Heron Bay Regatta Park, 2296 Regatta Way San Leandro, CA

Teleconference location #5: Scott Haggerty Heritage House, 4501 Pleasanton Ave, Pleasanton, CA

Teleconference location #6: 37101 Newark Boulevard, Conference Room No. 5, Newark, CA

Teleconference location #7: 3300 Capitol Ave. Building A, Fremont, CA Teleconference location #8: 14751 Pansy Street, San Leandro, CA

Members of the public may attend in person at the Board Room, or the addresses listed above or by:

- 1. Calling US+1 669 900 6833 and using the webinar ID 815 0675 2810
- Using the Zoom website or App and entering meeting code 815 0675 2810

During the meeting the chair will explain the process for members of the public to be recognized to offer public comment. The process will be described on the StopWaste website at http://www.stopwaste.org/virtual-meetings no later than noon, Wednesday, May 22, 2024.

The public may also comment by sending an e-mail to <u>publiccomment@stopwaste.org</u>. Written public comment will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on the day prior to the scheduled meeting. Copies of all written comments submitted by the deadline above will be provided to each Board Member and will be added to the official record. Comments will not be read into the record.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting due to a disability, please contact the Clerk of the Board at (510) 891-6517. Notification 24 hours prior to the meeting will enable the agency to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE
- **III. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDENTS -** (Members are asked to please advise the Board or the Council if you might need to leave before action items are completed.)
- IV. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR

An opportunity is provided for any member of the public wishing to speak on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Boards or Council, but not listed on the agenda.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR - The Consent Calendar contains routine items of business. Items in this section will be acted on in one motion for both the WMA and EC, unless removed by a member of either Board. Members of the WMA who are not members of the EC will vote as part of the Consent Calendar vote, but their votes will not be considered in connection with any EC items.

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- 1. Approval of the Draft Joint WMA, EC, & RB Minutes of April 24, 2024
- 5 2. Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection and Disposal Fee Ordinance Amendment (Pat Cabrera)

Staff recommends that the WMA Board adopt the ordinance set forth in Attachment A. Ordinance 2024-01 will make minor revisions to Ordinance 2014-01 as amended by replacing the two-year fund balance requirement with a requirement to retain sufficient funds as determined by the Board.

- VI. REGULAR CALENDAR
- 9 1. FY 2025 Budget Adoption (Timothy Burroughs & Pat Cabrera)

That both the Waste Management Authority and the Energy Council hold public hearings and adopt their respective budget resolutions (Attachments A and B).

17 2. Legislative Update and New Legislative Positions for 2024 (Jennifer West)

Staff recommend that the Board adopts the stated positions on the bills identified in the staff memo.

3. Interim appointment(s) to the Recycling Board for WMA appointee unable to attend future Board Meeting(s) (Arliss Dunn)

(The meeting of the Planning Committee & Recycling Board will be held on Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at StopWaste, 1537 Webster St., Oakland, CA)

- VII. MEMBER COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- VIII. CLOSED SESSION (WMA only)
 - 1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Title: Executive Director

(confidential materials provided separately)

2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Agency Designated Representatives: Board Members Carling, Jensen, Young, and Zermeño Unrepresented Employee: Executive Director (confidential materials provided separately)

IX. ADJOURNMENT - TO WMA & EC MEETING JUNE 26, 2024 AT 3:00 P.M.

DRAFT

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD (WMA), THE ENERGY COUNCIL (EC) AND RECYCLING BOARD

Wednesday, April 24, 2024 3:00 P.M.

IN PERSON MEETING LOCATION: STOPWASTE BOARD ROOM 1537 WEBSTER STREET, OAKLAND, CA

I. CALL TO ORDER

First Vice President Carling called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Timothy Burroughs explained the process that would be utilized during the meeting. A link to the process is available here: <u>Virtual-Meetings-Instructions</u>.

II. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

WMA, EC, & RB

County of Alameda David Haubert, WMA, EC (EC President)

City of Alameda Tracy Jensen, WMA, EC, RB

City of Albany Jennifer Hansen-Romero, WMA, EC

City of Berkeley Susan Wengraf, WMA, EC

Castro Valley Sanitary District Dave Sadoff, WMA

City of Dublin Melissa Hernandez, WMA, EC
City of Emeryville David Mourra, WMA, EC, RB

City of Fremont Yang Shao, WMA, EC

City of Hayward Francisco Zermeño, WMA, EC

City of Livermore Bob Carling, WMA, EC, (WMA President)

City of Newark Mike Hannon, WMA, EC

City of Oakland Dan Kalb, WMA, EC, RB, (RB President)

Oro Loma Sanitary District

City of Piedmont

City of Pleasanton

City of San Leandro

City of Union City

Shelia Young, WMA

Jen Cavenaugh, WMA, EC

Jack Balch, WMA, EC

Fred Simon, WMA, EC, RB

Environmental Organization Darby Hoover, RB
Recycling Programs Chiman Lee, RB
Source Reduction Specialist Grace Liao, RB

Solid Waste Industry Representative Vacant

ABSENT

Environmental Educator Eric Havel, RB

Recycling Materials Processing Industry Laura McKaughan, RB

Staff Participating

Timothy Burroughs, Executive Director Pat Cabrera, Administrative Services Director Alma Freeman, Communications Manager Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board

Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board Richard Taylor, WMA Legal Counsel Farand Kan, County Counsel

DRAFT

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDENTS

President Carling informed the Board that he responded in writing to a public comment submitted by Mr. Kumar Shaw and will follow-up with the Board as needed.

IV. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR

There were no public comments.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Approval of the Draft WMA & EC Minutes of March 27, 2024 (WMA & EC only)
- 2. Approval of the Draft PC/RB Minutes of March 14, 2024 (RB only)
- 3. Recycling Board Attendance Record (RB only)
- 4. Written Report of Ex Parte Communications (RB only)

There were no public comments for the Consent Calendar. Board member Zermeño moved approval of the Consent Calendar for the WMA & EC, and Board member Kalb seconded. Board member Jensen moved approval of the Consent Calendar for the RB, and Board member Wang seconded.

VI. REGULAR CALENDAR

1. Draft Fiscal Year 2025 Agency Budget (Timothy Burroughs & Pat Cabrera) (WMA, EC & RB)
This item is for information only.

Timothy Burroughs and Pat Cabrera presented an overview of the Draft Fiscal Year 2025 agency budget. A link to the staff report and presentation is available here: <u>FY2025-Budget-Presentation.pdf</u>.

Mr. Burroughs thanked the Board for their leadership and partnership, and thanked staff for their passion, expertise, and commitment. Ms. Cabrera provided a summary of financial highlights and Timothy Burroughs provided an overview of programs.

Additional time was provided to Board members for discussion and to ask clarifying questions. An audio link to the discussion is available here: <u>FY2025-Budget-Discussion</u>.

Ms. Cabrera stated that the Agency is currently reviewing the investment policy and will come back to the Board at a later date with more information. There were no public comments on this item. There were no changes or revisions to the budget. The Board acknowledged agency staff for their excellent work and expressed appreciation for the Agency's proactive fiscal management, transparency, and program innovation.

2. Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection and Disposal Fee Ordinance Changes (Pat Cabrera) (WMA only)

Staff recommends that following the public hearing the WMA Board introduce and waive the first reading of the attached ordinance and direct staff to place it on the consent calendar for adoption at the next regular meeting of the Board. Ordinance 2024-01 will make minor revisions to Ordinance 2014-01 as amended by replacing the two-year fund balance requirement with a requirement to retain sufficient funds as determined by the Board. The Ordinance will not amend the fee cap.

Timothy Burroughs introduced the item and Pat Cabrera provided an overview of the staff report. A link to the report is available here: <u>HHW-Fee-Ordinance.pdf</u>.

Additional time was provided to the Board for discussion and clarifying questions. An audio link to the discussion is available here: <u>HHW-Fee-Ordinance-Discussion</u>.

DRAFT

President Carling opened the public hearing. There was no public comment, and the public hearing was closed. Board member Kalb moved approval of the staff recommendation, and Board member Zermeño seconded. The motion carried 20-0. The Clerk called the roll:

(Ayes: Balch, Carling, Cavenaugh, Hannon, Hansen-Romero, Haubert, Hernandez, Jensen, Kalb, Mourra, Sadoff, Shao, Simon, Wang, Wengraf, Young, Zermeño. Nays: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None)

3. Public Hearing and Annual Adoption of Fee Collection Report for Household Hazardous Waste Fee (Pat Cabrera)

That the WMA Board hold a public hearing on the Fee Collection Report and approve by resolution the Fee Collection Report for FY 2025.

Pat Cabrera provided a brief historical overview of the HHW Fee and summarized the staff report. A link to the staff report is available here: 2024-HHW-Fee-Collection-Report.pdf

Additional time was provided to the Board for discussion and clarifying questions. An audio link to the discussion is available here: HHW-Fee-Collection-Report-Discussion.

President Carling opened the public hearing. There was no public comment, and the public hearing was closed. Board member Young moved approval of the staff recommendation, and Board member Sadoff seconded. The motion carried 20-0. The Clerk called the roll:

(Ayes: Balch, Carling, Cavenaugh, Hannon, Hansen-Romero, Haubert, Hernandez, Jensen, Kalb, Mourra, Sadoff, Shao, Simon, Wang, Wengraf, Young, Zermeño. Nays: None. Abstained: None. Absent: None)

4. Interim appointment(s) to the Recycling Board for WMA appointee unable to attend future Board Meeting(s) (Arliss Dunn) (WMA only)

(Planning Committee and Recycling Board meeting on May 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Dublin Civic Center – Bray Community Room, 100 Civic Plaza, Dublin, CA)

There were no requests for an interim appointment.

VII. MEMBER COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Burroughs announced that the monthly topic brief highlights Earth Month. A link to the topic brief is available here.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Next meetings: WMA & EC MEETING, MAY 22, 2024 AT 3:00 P.M.

PC & RB MEETING, MAY 9, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.

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DATE: May 22, 2024

TO: Waste Management Authority (WMA) Board

FROM: Pat Cabrera, Administrative Services Director

SUBJECT: Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection and Disposal Fee Ordinance

Amendment

SUMMARY

At the May 22, 2024, meeting, the Waste Management Authority (WMA) Board will consider adoption of an ordinance amending the HHW Collection and Disposal Fee, Ordinance 2014-01. The amendment will replace the requirement to maintain two years of operating costs as fund balance with a requirement to retain sufficient funds as determined by the Board.

DISCUSSION

At the April 24, 2024, meeting, the WMA Board held a public hearing and considered the proposed ordinance (2024-01) and introduced and waived the first reading of the ordinance and directed staff to place it on the consent calendar for the May 22, 2024, WMA meeting. Attachment A provides the text of ordinance 2024-01.

The amendment provides for a more flexible standard that allows the Board to keep the fee at a low level while adequately supporting the program in the most fiscally responsible manner. The report submitted to the WMA Board at the April 24 meeting is available at the following link:
HHW-Fee-Ordinance-memo.">HHW-Fee-Ordinance-memo.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the WMA Board adopt the ordinance set forth in Attachment A. Ordinance 2024-01 will make minor revisions to Ordinance 2014-01 as amended by replacing the two-year fund balance requirement with a requirement to retain sufficient funds as determined by the Board.

Attachment A: Ordinance 2024-01 Amending Ordinance 2014-01

ATTACHMENT A

ORDINANCE 2024-01

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL FEE ORDINANCE

The Board of the Alameda County Waste Management Authority ("Authority") finds that:

- 1. In 2014 the Authority adopted Ordinance 2014-01, the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Disposal Fee Ordinance, and amended that Ordinance in 2019. The Authority wishes to further amend the ordinance to remove the requirement that the fee be set at an amount sufficient to retain a two-year fund balance.
- 2. The Board of the Alameda County Waste Management Authority held a public meeting on April 24, 2024, and after considering all testimony and written materials provided in connection with that meeting introduced this ordinance and waived the reading thereof.

Therefore, the Board of the Authority hereby ordains as follows:

Section 1. Adoption.

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Disposal Fee Ordinance described above is hereby amended as set forth below. Text to be added is indicated in bold underlined font (e.g., **underlined**) and text to be deleted is indicated in strikeout font (e.g., **strikeout**).

- A. Section 3(b) of the ordinance is amended as follows:
 - (b) No later than March 31 of 2024 and every five years thereafter the Executive Director shall prepare a report evaluating Program expenses and revenues during the previous five fiscal years and projecting expenses and revenues for the following five fiscal years. The Fee per Household shall be set for the following five fiscal years beginning July 1 of the year in which report is prepared-at a level projected to maintain an annual fund balance sufficient for two years of sufficient funds for operating costs.

Section 2. Severability.

If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any situation is held to be invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 3. Publication.

Within 15 days after adoption of a summary of the ordinance with the names of those voting for and against, the ordinance shall be published and a certified copy of the full text with the names of those voting for and against the ordinance shall either (i) be posted on the Authority's website or

(ii) be posted in the Authority offices.

Following introduction on April 24,	, 2024, passed and	adopted May 22,	2024, by the
following vote:			

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

I certify that under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01.

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DATE: May 22, 2024

TO: Waste Management Authority (WMA) Board

Energy Council (EC)

FROM: Timothy Burroughs, Executive Director

Pat Cabrera, Administrative Services Director

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Adoption

SUMMARY

At its May 22, 2024, meeting, staff will recommend that the WMA and the EC boards adopt their respective FY 2025 budgets.

DISCUSSION

The proposed budget for FY 2025 was presented at a joint meeting of the Waste Management Authority, Energy Council, and Recycling Board on April 24, 2024. The staff memo and PowerPoint presentation from the meeting are available at FY2025-Budget-Presentation.

The presentation at the April 24 meeting was well received, and there were no requests for changes to the budgeted amounts. The combined proposed FY 2025 budget totals approximately \$37.6 million, with the following breakdown:

WMA: \$16,721,222
 Energy Council: \$10,361,311
 Recycling Board: \$10,548,534

As outlined in the budget document, some projects are funded using both WMA and Recycling Board funds. The Agency's discretionary budget is \$12.6 million, funded primarily by tonnage fee revenue and an allocation from fund balance (\$1.5 million). Based on fiscal forecasting models developed as part of a comprehensive analysis of the Agency's fund balance and reserves, the Agency can draw on its fund balance in FY 2025 and still maintain an appropriate contingency moving forward. The Agency's FY 2025 contingency, which includes both discretionary fund balances and reserves, is projected to total \$20.9 million.

The proposed discretionary budget is approximately \$621,000 less than the current year's discretionary budget, demonstrating the Agency's fiscal prudence while delivering high quality programs for communities in Alameda County. This draft budget reflects our long-term commitment to advancing environmental sustainability and a healthy local economy. The budget includes investments in programs to advance circular economy solutions and upstream waste prevention, strengthen community food systems, accelerate innovation in our local construction sector and promote energy efficiency. The Agency

is well-staffed and is in a strong financial position to support our member agencies in ways that benefit the environment and the communities we serve.

RECOMMENDATION

That both the Waste Management Authority and the Energy Council hold public hearings and adopt their respective budget resolutions (Attachments A and B).

Attachment A: WMA Budget Resolution Attachment B: EC Budget Resolution

Attachment C: <u>FY2025-Annual Budget</u>

ATTACHMENT A

ALAMEDA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY RESOLUTION #WMA 2024-

MOVED: SECONDED:

AT THE MEETING HELD MAY 22, 2024 THE ALAMEDA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZES ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET; PROJECT CONTRACTS; AND AUTHORIZED POSITIONS AND SALARY SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, a preliminary budget for Fiscal Year 2025 has been developed that incorporates programs and projects based on the aims and guiding principles developed by the Board and consistent with the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan and Recycling Plan; and,

WHEREAS, this budget was presented at the joint meeting of the Alameda County Waste Management Authority, the Alameda County Source Reduction and Recycling Board, and the Energy Council held on April 24, 2024, for review and comment; and,

WHEREAS, legal notice of the public hearing on the budget has been provided, and the matter scheduled on the May 22, 2024, Alameda County Waste Management Authority Board agenda for adoption.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alameda County Waste Management Authority (WMA) Board hereby:

- 1. Adopts the WMA's portion of the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget with expenditures totaling \$16,721,222, and authorizes staff to proceed with its administration, programs and operations in accordance with the adopted budget, effective July 1, 2024.
- 2. Authorizes the attached salary schedule and authorized positions.
- 3. Authorizes the following new or augmented contracts and/or spending authority subject to approval as to form by Legal Counsel, and consistent with the WMA's purchasing policy:

Food Waste Reduction

Zero Company Performance Marketing, Inc. Online media buy – including digital/mobile ads, facebook/gmail ads and Search Engine Marketing	\$	35,000
Gigantic Idea Studio Marketing and outreach services	\$	15,000
SB 1383 Implementation Support		
Gigantic Idea Studio Marketing and outreach services	\$	14,000
Cascadia Consulting Group	\$	150,000
Business and multifamily technical assistance	Ψ	100,000

Organics Reduction and Recycling Ordinance (ORRO) Cascadia Consulting Group Business and multifamily technical assistance, funded by the City of Oakland	\$	45,000
Resources for Upstream Projects Cascadia Consulting Group Technical Assistance for reusable transport packaging companies	\$	10,000
Used Oil Recycling (externally funded) Zero Company Performance Marketing, Inc. Online media buy – including digital/mobile ads, facebook/gmail ads and Search	\$	25,000
Engine Marketing <u>Gigantic Idea Studio</u> Rider's Recycle Motor Cycle Outreach	\$	15,000
Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facilities Zero Company Performance Marketing, Inc. Online media buy – including digital/mobile ads, facebook/gmail ads and Search Engine Marketing pre-roll video to drive residents to the HHW website.	\$	45,000
Administrative Overhead (OH) (includes general OH, accounting, human resources and beauty administration)	rce	<u>s,</u>
information systems and board administration) Shute, Mihaly and Weinberger, LLP	\$	202,000
Authority counsel, charged against multiple projects as appropriate Alliance Insurance Services	\$	192,000
Agency insurance CDW	\$	105,000
Information Technology purchases, e.g., replacement laptops		
Property Replace fencing at the Altamont property;_TBD pending results of bid process and Executive Director or designee approval not to exceed This cost will be partially reimbursed by the California Rangeland Trust	\$	140,000
Reusable Food Ware and Bags Gigantic Idea Studio	\$	75,000
Outreach strategy and content development		
Zero Company Performance Marketing, Inc. Online media buy – Reusable Foodware campaign	\$	40,000
Agency Communications Zero Company Performance Marketing, Inc. Online media buy – including digital/mobile ads, facebook/gmail ads and Search	\$	40,000
Engine Marketing <u>Gigantic Idea Studio</u> Content development for business awards	\$	15,000

Passed and adopted this 22 th day of May 2024, by the	e following vote of the WMA Board:
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
	Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board

Monthly Salary Ranges and Authorized Positions FY25* Authorized Positions 50.0 FTE**

Grade	Classification		Step 1		Step 2		Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6		Step 7	Step 8
19	Executive Director	Per	Contract	: \$2:	3,933 as o	f 6/:	28/23						
18	Vacant		\$19,467		\$20,051		\$20,649	\$21,270	\$21,909	\$22,566		\$23,244	\$23,94
	Administrative Services Director												
17	Deputy Executive Director	\$	18,107	\$	18,651	\$	19,210	\$ 19,786	\$ 20,382	\$ 20,991	\$	21,622	\$ 22,271
16	Vacant	\$	16,846	\$	17,350	\$	17,869	\$ 18,406	\$ 18,958	\$ 19,528	\$	20,114	\$ 20,716
	Operations Manager												
15	Principal Program Manager	\$	15,671	\$	16,139	\$	16,624	\$ 17,124	\$ 17,635	\$ 18,164	\$	18,710	\$ 19,27
14	Senior Technology Officer	\$	14,577	\$	15,014	\$	15,464	\$ 15,930	\$ 16,404	\$ 16,895	\$	17,405	\$ 17,92
	Communications Manager												
	Senior Management Analyst												
13	Senior Program Manager	\$	13,559	\$	13,966	\$	14,385	\$ 14,817	\$ 15,260	\$ 15,719	\$	16,192	\$ 16,67
	Financial Services Manager***												
12	Legislative and Regulatory Affairs	\$	12,613	\$	12,991	\$	13,382	\$ 13,781	\$ 14,198	\$ 14,621	\$	15,061	\$ 15,514
	Management Analyst III												
11	Program Manager III	\$	11,734	\$	12,084	\$	12,448	\$ 12,822	\$ 13,205	\$ 13,602	\$	14,009	\$ 14,432
	Clerk of the Board												
	Management Analyst II												
10	Program Manager II	\$	10,914	\$	11,243	\$	11,579	\$ 11,927	\$ 12,285	\$ 12,652	\$	13,032	\$ 13,426
9	Webmaster	\$	10,151	\$	10,458	\$	10,771	\$ 11,095	\$ 11,428	\$ 11,770	\$	12,124	\$ 12,488
	Accountant												
	Management Analyst I												
8	Program Manager I	\$	9,445	\$	9,729	\$	10,018	\$ 10,323	\$ 10,631	\$ 10,948	\$	11,276	\$ 11,616
	Executive Assistant/Assistant Clerk of												
7	the Board	\$	8,785	\$	9,050	\$	9,320	\$ 9,601	\$ 9,886	\$ 10,187	\$	10,492	\$ 10,806
6	Principal Program Services Specialist	\$	8,171	\$	8,417	\$	8,669	\$ 8,932	\$ 9,200	\$ 9,475	\$	9,760	\$ 10,053
	Senior Administrative Assistant												
5	Senior Program Services Specialist	\$	7,603	\$	7,831	\$	8,067	\$ 8,307	\$ 8,557	\$ 8,814	\$	9,078	\$ 9,351
	Administrative Assistant II												
4	Program Services Specialist II	\$	7,074	\$	7,285	\$	7,503	\$ 7,727	\$ 7,961	\$ 8,199	\$	8,445	\$ 8,699
	Administrative Assistant I												
3	Program Services Specialist I	\$	6,579	\$	6,776	\$	6,978	\$ 7,188	\$ 7,405	\$ 7,627	\$	7,857	\$ 8,091
2	Vacant	\$	6,121	\$	6,304	\$	6,494	\$ 6,687	\$ 6,888	\$ 7,094	\$	7,308	\$ 7,52
1	Inspector	\$	5,694	\$	5,863	\$	6,038	\$ 6,223	\$ 6,406	\$ 6,601	\$	6,797	\$ 7,00
	Intermittent Hourly Rates		\$21.57										\$129.66

^{*} Salary increase effective June 23, 2024

^{**} Includes regular, limited term, and intermittent positions. Does not include any future positions that may be required due to grant/external funding. Those positions will be approved as part of the grants/external funding process.

^{***} Serves as Agency's Treasurer pursuant to the Agency's investment policy and applicable state law.

ATTACHMENT B

ENERGY COUNCIL RESOLUTION #EC 2024-

MOVED: SECONDED:

AT THE MEETING HELD MAY 22, 2024 THE ENERGY COUNCIL AUTHORIZES ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET

WHEREAS, a preliminary budget for Fiscal Year 2025 has been developed that incorporates program priorities adopted by the Energy Council and external funding agreements; and,

WHEREAS, this budget was presented at the joint meeting of the Alameda County Waste Management Authority, the Alameda County Source Reduction and Recycling Board and the Energy Council held on April 24, 2024 for review and comment; and,

WHEREAS, legal notice of the budget hearing has been provided, and the matter scheduled on the May 22, 2024 Energy Council agenda for adoption.

• **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Energy Council hereby adopts the Energy Council's portion of the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2025 with expenditures totaling \$10,361,311 and authorizes staff to proceed with Energy Council administration, programs and operations in accordance with the adopted budget, effective July 1, 2024.

Passed and adopted this 22th day of May 2024 by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
	Arliss Dunn, Clerk of the Board

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DATE: May 22, 2024

TO: Waste Management Authority and Energy Council

FROM: Jennifer West, Program Manager

SUBJECT: Legislative Update and New Legislative Positions for 2024

SUMMARY

This memo, accompanied by a staff presentation at the May meeting, provides an update on the status of bills WMA has taken positions on in 2023-2024 and includes several new bills with recommended positions for the Board's consideration.

DISCUSSION

At its January 24 meeting, the Waste Management Authority adopted five legislative priorities for 2024:

- 1. Common sense adjustments to SB 1383 requirements
- Decarbonization/electrification in the built environment to reduce reliance on carbon-intensive energy and materials in our communities, including pursuing supply-side policies that would support electrification
- 3. Circular economy solutions and plastic pollution prevention
- 4. Clear product information for consumers
- 5. Building healthy food systems

Working with Jason Schmelzer and Priscilla Quiroz of Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer and Lange (our contract lobbyist in Sacramento), we are tracking and contributing input on priority bills throughout the legislative process. This memo represents the status of bills and positions as of May 13, 2024. Changes to the bills could happen before the board meeting on May 22, and staff will update any status changes at that time.

StopWaste Bill Positions:

Sponsor	Actively working on a bill with an author	
Support	Support positions can range from signing joint support letters, submitting our own	
	support letters, testifying in committees, and/or providing input on bill language	
Watch, Support	Letters of support with recommended amendments; indicates that bill language	
if Amended	and details are still evolving, and we will continue to watch and provide input and	
	take a support/oppose position when appropriate	
Oppose Unless	Letters of opposition unless the measure includes recommended amendments to	
Amended	address concerns	
Oppose	Opposition to bill	

Organics/Composting and SB 1383 Requirement Adjustments

AB 2346 (Lee) Organic waste reduction regulations: procurement of recovered organic waste products

StopWaste is sponsoring this bill. It provides additional pathways for local governments to meet SB 1383 (Lara, 2016) procurement requirements through other methods, such as allowing material from community composting and on-site composting to be included in a jurisdiction's compost procurement target. Additionally, the measure grants credits to investments made by a jurisdiction within its boundaries to expand organics processing capacity, which can also count toward meeting the target.

Agency position: Sponsor

Support: League of California Cities, City and County of San Francisco

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local government: None

SB 1135 (Limón) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: income taxes: credit

This bill, in the 2025–26 fiscal year through the 2035–36 fiscal year, would transfer 1% of the annual proceeds of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, not to exceed \$120 million per fiscal year, to the California Compost Tax Credit Fund, which the bill would establish. The bill would allow a tax credit for the application of compost on agricultural lands, ranchlands, and rangelands to improve soils, sequester carbon, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The bill would require the Department of Conservation to allocate the credits to qualified taxpayers through an application process, as specified. This bill would also appropriate up to 20% of moneys in the California Compost Tax Credit Fund, not to exceed \$24 million per fiscal year, for composting infrastructure and existing healthy soils programs.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Compost Coalition, Californians Against Waste, Resource Recovery Coalition

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local governments: None

AB 2902 (Wood) Organic waste: reduction regulations: exemptions

This measure intends to provide flexibility for smaller counties to comply with SB 1383 (Lara, 2016). Specifically, the bill (1) extends the existing rural exemptions for counties with fewer than 70,000 residents of the SB 1383 procurement requirements until January 1, 2037, and requires CalRecycle to adopt regulations to establish a process to renew the exemption after that date for a period of up to 10 years; (2) allows nonexempt counties generating less than 200,000 tons of solid waste annually to request approval for alternative organic waste diversion and recycling programs; (3) seeks to provide more flexibility for CalRecycle to consider granting additional "elevation waivers" for areas below 4,500 in elevation and where nearby bear populations pose a public safety and animal welfare risk.

Agency position: Support

Support: Rural County Representative of California (Sponsor), Republic Services, California Compost

Coalition

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local government: Unknown at this time

AB 2313 (Bennett) Farmer Equity Act of 2017: Regional Farmer Equipment and Cooperative Resources Assistance Pilot Program

This bill establishes the Regional Farmer Equipment and Cooperative Resources Assistance Pilot Program. This bill requires the California Department of Food and Agriculture under the Farmer Equity Act of 2017, to provide financial and technical assistance to support regional farm equipment sharing and enhance cooperative benefits for socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers and, if funding is still available, for limited resource farmers and ranchers.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Certified Organic Farmers, NextGen California, Californians Against Waste

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local government: Unknown at this time

SB 972 (Min) Methane Emissions: organic waste: landfills

The bill would require CalRecycle, CARB, and the California Environmental Protection Agency to hold at least two joint meetings per calendar year to coordinate their implementation efforts to accomplish the goals within SB 1383 (Lara, 2016) policies. The bill also directs CalRecycle, by January 1, 2028, to submit a report on the status implementation efforts to meet SB 1383 goals, including: compliance of local jurisdictions and technical assistance provided to local jurisdictions; and recommendations to continue advancing the program.

Agency position: Support

Support: League of California Cities (Sponsor), Rural County Representative of California

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local governments: Unknown at this time

SB 1045 (Blakespear) Composting facilities: zoning

This bill requires local jurisdictions, when substantively revising their land use element after January 1, 2028, to consider updating the land use element to identify areas where composting facilities could be cited.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Compost Coalition, Recology, Republic Services Opposition: California Air Pollution Control Officers Association

Cost to local governments: Unknown at this time

SB 1046 (Laird) Organic waste reduction: program environmental impact report: composting facilities

This bill would require CalRecycle to prepare a programmatic environmental impact report (EIR) for small and medium compost facilities by January 1, 2027.

Agency position: Support

Support: Rural County Representative of California, League of California Cities, City of Berkeley

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local governments: Unknown at this time

Decarbonization and Electrification, Low-Carbon Buildings

AB 593 (Haney) Carbon emission reduction strategy: building sector

This bill requires the California Energy Commission to identify an emission reduction strategy for the building sector to support the achievement of the state's 2045 greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction goals. The Department of Finance tagged this bill with a \$5.8 million one-time cost in 2023-2024, but also noted ongoing costs to the PUC of approximately \$800,000. The bill was held in the Senate Appropriations Committee as a two-year bill, likely because of the cost.

Agency position: Support

Support: Building Decarbonization Coalition, Climate Action California, SPUR

Opposition: California Association of Realtors

Cost to local governments: None

AB 2513 (Pellerin) Gas stoves and ranges: warning label

This bill, starting January 1, 2025, prohibits the sale, attempted sale, or offering for sale of gas stoves in California unless they bear a specific warning label. This label must be attached to the gas stove in a conspicuous location.

Agency position: Support

Support: CALPIRG, American Lung Association, Coalition for Clean Air

Opposition: Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers

Cost to local governments: None

SB 938 (Min) Electrical and gas corporations: rate recovery: political activities and advertising

Prohibits political lobbying by investor-owned utilities (IOU) that can be charged to ratepayers. The bill also would require public reporting on the financing of a utility's political speech and establishes a penalty system for any violations.

Agency position: Support

Support: The Utility Reform Network, Earthjustice

Opposition: California Chamber of Commerce, California State Association of Electrical Workers

Cost to local governments: None

Please note this measure is no longer moving forward. This bill failed to pass the policy deadline.

*NEW SB 1054 (Rubio) Climate Pollution Reduction in Homes Initiative: natural gas: customer credit

This bill would establish the Climate Pollution Reduction in Homes Initiative to provide financial assistance to low-income households for the purchase of zero-carbon-emitting appliances. It would authorize up to 15 percent of the natural gas corporations' greenhouse gas (GHG) allowances to be used to fund the program and require that the remainder be returned to residential customers of the utilities.

Agency position: Watch

Support: U.S. Green Building Council, California Apartment Association, Climate Reality Project

Opposition: None

Cost to local governments: None

*NEW SB 1095 (Becker) Cozy Homes Cleanup Act: building standards: gas-fuel-burning appliances

This measure would make specified changes to the Manufactured Housing Act, State Housing Law, and the Davis-Sterling Common Interest Development Act to facilitate the installation of electric water heaters, space heating systems, and appliances in manufactured homes, mobile homes, and homes within a common interest development (CID).

Agency position: Support

Support: Bay Area Air Quality Management District, U.S. Green Building Council, NRDC

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local governments: None

*NEW SB 1207 (Dahle) Buy Clean California Act: Eligible materials

This bill expands the scope of the Buy Clean California Act to encompass all types of insulation, as compared to currently only pertaining to mineral wool board insulation.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Building Industry Association, NRDC, U.S. Green Building Council

Opposition: None

Cost to local governments: None

*NEW SB 1221 (Min) Gas corporations: priority neighborhood decarbonization zones: pilot projects

Requires each gas corporation, by July 1, 2025, to annually file a map containing certain information, including the location of all potential gas distribution line replacement projects identified in its distribution integrity management plan and other foreseeable gas distribution pipeline replacements. The PUC will be required to establish a voluntary program to facilitate the cost-effective decarbonization of priority neighborhood decarbonization zones. This includes not more than 30 pilot projects across the state and affects no more than 1% of each gas corporation's customers. Agency position: Support

Co-Sponsors: Building Decarbonization Coalition, Earthjustice, Natural Resources Defense Council Opposition: California State Association of Electrical Workers, California State Pipe Trades Council, Coalition of California Utility Employees

Cost to local governments: None

Plastic Pollution Prevention, Circular Economy Solutions and Upstream Waste Prevention, including Extended Producer Responsibility

AB 2 (Ward) Solar Photovoltaic Module Recycling

This bill implements a multi-pronged strategy for establishing a solar panel collection and recycling program. As drafted, the bill would create separate programs for panels that are consumer-owned and not consumer-owned. Panels owned by consumers of all varieties would be managed by California's Covered Electronic Waste Recycling Program. Panels that are not consumer-owned would be managed by their owners. These panels typically fall into two categories: 1) panels owned by manufacturers and leased to a consumer, business, public agency, or utility, and 2) panels owned by a utility or related entity. Owners of these panels would be required to develop a plan, somewhat like that typical of an extended producer responsibility (EPR) program, that would outline how they would meet their obligation to properly manage and recycle their panels at end of life.

Agency Position: Watch

Support: California Product Stewardship Council (sponsor), Californians Against Waste

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local governments: None

AB 1238 (Ward) Hazardous waste: solar panels

This bill requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to develop alternative management standards (AMS) for the management of photovoltaic (PV) modules. The bill specifies that the AMS should 1) promote the safe collection, reuse, and recycling of PV modules; 2) ensure that the AMS do not pose a significant potential hazard to human health and safety or the environment; 3) provide flexibility and administrative convenience for persons collecting and recycling PV modules; 4) seek to streamline the process for persons collecting and recycling PV modules; 5) allow for the safe landfilling of PV modules, if there are no recycling or reuse options; 6) allow a person, when following the AMS, to collect, reuse, or recycle PV modules without a hazardous waste permit. This bill is connected to the effort to establish an EPR program for PV panels in AB 2 by the same bill author.

AB 1238 is currently in the Senate Environmental Quality Committee and is a two-year bill.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Product Stewardship Council, Californians Against Waste, RethinkWaste

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local governments: None

AB 863 (Aguilar-Curry) Carpet Extended Producer Responsibility

This bill would increase accountability in California's existing carpet EPR program. Specifically, it would increase penalties for non-compliance on the low end from \$5,000 to \$10,000, and on the high end from \$10,000 to \$50,000. The bill will also make a stewardship organization ineligible to serve as an agent on behalf of manufacturers if they violate California's carpet stewardship law three times. The sponsor of this bill is working with the author and stakeholders on a proposal that would expand the scope of this bill to include a more substantial restructuring of the existing law governing California's carpet EPR program.

The bill is currently in the Senate Appropriations Committee where it was voluntarily made a two-year bill by the author. The bill is being negotiated by stakeholders at this time and will be eligible for consideration again in the summer of 2024.

Agency position: Support

Support: National Stewardship Action Council (sponsor), California Product Stewardship Council, RethinkWaste, Californians Against Waste

Opposition: The Carpet and Rug Institute

Cost to local governments: None

AB 1659 (Gabriel) Sale of small electronic devices: charging devices

This bill creates a single charging hardware standard for small electronic devices, such as cell phones. The bill requires small electronic devices, such as smartphones, tablets, and laptops, manufactured after 2025 to be universally chargeable with a USB Type-C cable.

AB 1659 is currently in the Senate Appropriations Committee where it was held as a two-year bill and will be eligible for consideration again in the summer of 2024.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Product Stewardship Council, Californians Against Waste, Climate Equity Policy

Center, Natural Resources Defense Council Opposition: Consumer Technology Association

Cost to local governments: None

AB 2236/SB 1053 (Bauer-Kahan & Blakespear) Solid waste: reusable grocery bags: standards: plastic film prohibition

This bill would prohibit all plastic checkout bags in California grocery stores and require recycled paper bags to be made from 100% postconsumer recycled materials, without exception.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Grocers Association, Californians Against Waste

Opposition: Association of Postconsumer Plastic Recyclers, Recycling Partnership, Western Center on

Law and Poverty

Cost to local governments: Unknown at this time

*NEW AB 2762 (Friedman) Recycling: reusable beverage containers

Establishes rates for the use and the collection for reuse of reusable beverage containers. The measure also requires the beverage manufacturer to demonstrate compliance by submitting a report to CalRecycle that includes the percentage of total volume of beverages produced and sold in reusable beverage containers and the number of single-use beverage containers and reusable beverage containers produced and sold in California in the previous calendar year, specified by the type of beverage, size of container, and container material type. Requires a beverage manufacturer to make the report publicly available on its website.

Agency position: Watch

Support: California Product Stewardship Council, Californians Against Waste, NRDC

Opposition: American Beverage Association

Cost to local governments: None

SB 615 (Allen) Vehicle traction batteries

This bill would require vehicle traction batteries (for EVs) to be recovered and reused, repurposed, or remanufactured and recycled at the end of their useful life. This bill would also require vehicle manufacturers, dealers, dismantlers, repair dealers, or other secondary users to be responsible for ensuring responsible end-of-life management of vehicle traction batteries. This bill continues to be negotiated by stakeholders that include recyclers, manufacturers, local governments, and environmental organizations. Discussions are being guided by a report that was issued on the subject by a legislatively mandated working group at CalEPA.

SB 615 is a two-year bill and is currently in the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee. This bill will be eligible for consideration again in the summer of 2024.

Agency position: Support if Amended

Support: California Product Stewardship Council, Union of Concerned Scientists, Californians Against Waste, National Stewardship Action Council

Opposition: None at this time but some manufacturers may oppose as details get finalized Cost to local governments: None

*NEW SB 903 (Skinner) Environmental health: product safety: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances

Prohibits a person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale in the state a product that contains intentionally added per- or poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) unless the use of PFAS is currently unavoidable. This bill would authorize the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to establish regulations to administer the prohibition.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Product Stewardship Council, Californians Against Waste, NRDC, League of CA Cities

Opposition: Advanced Medical Technology Association, California Manufacturers & Technology

Association, California Grocers Association

Cost to local governments: None

SB 1280 (Laird) Waste management: propane cylinders: reusable or refillable

This measure would require 1-pound propane cylinders sold in the state to be refillable or reusable by January 1, 2028.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Product Stewardship Council, Californians Against Waste

Opposition: Worthington Industries Cost to local governments: None

SB 707 (Newman) Textile Recovery Act of 2023

This bill establishes an EPR program for apparel and a limited scope of household textile articles such as bedding, curtains, and towels. Under the bill, producers would be required to design, fund, and implement a takeback and recycling program that also contains strong repair and reuse elements. The bill also requires internalized funding that includes modulation of fees based on recyclability of products. Stakeholders are working to achieve consensus to the maximum extent possible, and there are likely to be significant amendments in 2024.

SB 707 is currently a two-year bill because the author and sponsor held the bill to allow for additional collaboration. The bill is currently in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee and will be eligible for consideration again in the summer of 2024.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Produce Stewardship Council (sponsor), Rethink Waste, Rural County Representatives of California, National Stewardship Action Council, Zero Waste Sonoma Opposition: California Chamber of Commerce, California Retailers Association, American Apparel and Footwear Association, California Manufacturers & Technology Association Cost to local governments: None

SB 1066 (Blakespear) Hazardous waste: marine flares: producer responsibility

Requires manufacturers to create, fund, and implement an extended producer responsibility (EPR) program for the end-of-life management of expired flares.

Agency position: Support

Support: National Stewardship Action Council (Sponsor), Zero Waste Sonoma (Sponsor), Rural County Representatives of California

Opposition: Recreational Boaters of California, Standard Fusee Corporation dba Orion Safety Products Cost to local government: None

SB 1143 (Allen) Household hazardous waste: producer responsibility

Establishes Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for products containing household hazardous waste.

Agency position: Support

Support: National Stewardship Action Council, League of California Cities, Californians Against Waste Opposition: California Chamber of Commerce, California Manufacturers & Technology Association Cost to local government: None

SB 1167 (Blakespear) Solid waste: single-use drinking vessels

This bill would require chain restaurants in California to provide dine-in customers with non-toxic reusable cups, instead of single-use plastic or paper cups.

Agency position: Support if Amended

Support: The 5 Gyres Institute, Californians Against Waste, Heal the Bay, Surfrider Foundation Opposition: California Restaurant Association, California Retailers Association, California Chamber of Commerce

Cost to local government: Unknown at this time

Please note this measure is no longer moving forward. This bill failed to pass the policy deadline.

SB 1231 (Allen) Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act: environmental advertising

Existing law considers a product or packaging displaying a chasing arrows symbol (among other symbols) deceptive unless it meets statewide recyclability criteria. The product or packaging must be of a material type and form that routinely becomes feedstock for new products or packaging. This bill expands the exemption period to up to 24 months after the department publishes or updates a specified material characterization study in order to provide an on-ramp process for new products or packaging.

Agency position: Support

Support: National Stewardship Action Council, California Farm Bureau, American Chemistry Council

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local government: Unknown at this time

SB 1384 (Dodd) Powered wheelchairs: repair

This bill requires an original manufacturer of a powered wheelchair to provide a wheelchair owner or independent repair provider the necessary parts and equipment used to inspect, diagnose, maintain, and repair the wheelchair.

Agency position: Support

Support: iFixit

Opposition: None listed

Cost to local governments: Unknown at this time

Clear Product Information for Consumers

AB 660 (Irwin) Food and beverage products: labeling and sell by dates

This bill would require on and after January 1, 2025, a food manufacturer, processor, or retailer responsible for the labeling of food items for human consumption to use "BEST if Used By" to indicate quality, and "Use By" to indicate safety of a product, and prohibits the use of "Sell By."

AB 660 is currently a two-year bill and is in the Senate Agriculture Committee. The bill will be eligible for consideration again in the summer of 2024.

Agency position: Support

Support: Californians Against Waste (Co-sponsor), California Product Stewardship Council, National Stewardship Action Council, RethinkWaste, NRDC (Co-sponsor)

Opposition: California Farm Bureau Federation, Association of California Egg Farmers, California

Grocers Association, Pacific Egg and Poultry Association

Cost to local governments: None

AB 2577 (Irwin) Organic waste: reduction regulations

The bill requires CalRecycle to promulgate regulations requiring food labels to reduce food waste.

Agency position: Support

Support: Californians Against Waste, NRDC, Zero Waste Sonoma

Opposition: California League of Food Processors

Costs to local government: None

Building a Healthy Food System

AB 408 (Wilson) Climate-Resilient Farms, Sustainable Healthy Food Access, and Farmworker Protection Bond Act of 2024

This bill enacts the \$3.65 billion Climate-Resilient Farms, Sustainable Healthy Food Access, and Farmworker Protection Bond Act of 2024. Specifically, this bill, upon approval by the voters in the November 5, 2024 statewide general election, enacts the bond to authorize the issuance of \$3.65 billion in general obligation (GO) bonds to finance projects in the following categories: 1) \$1.25 billion for improving agricultural resilience and advancing sustainable agriculture; 2) \$750 million for protecting the health and well-being of California's farmworkers; 3) \$750 million for sustainable healthy food access and nutrition security; 4) \$915 million for strengthening regional food economies.

AB 408 is a two-year bill and is currently in the Senate Appropriations Committee. It will be eligible for consideration again in the summer of 2024.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Compost Coalition, Californians Against Waste, Ecology Center

Opposition: None

Cost to local governments: None

AB 2311 (Bennett) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Edible Food

The bill builds on an existing grant program administered by CalRecycle to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the State by expanding or creating new projects to reduce, recycle, or reuse recyclable materials, including organic material. Specifically, it will make the transportation of recovered edible food and the purchase or subscription to technology or software that improves the efficiency and tracking of edible food recovery, eligible for grant funding.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Food Recovery Coalition, California Compost Coalition, League of California Cities

Opposition: None listed at this time Costs to local government: None

AB 1567 (Garcia) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024

This bill enacts the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024. Specifically, this bill, upon approval by the voters enacts the bond to authorize the issuance of \$15 billion in general obligation (GO) bonds to finance projects including: 1) \$1.6 billion for the protection of California's wildlife, biodiversity, and fisheries from climate risks; 2) \$820 million for protecting farms, ranches, and working lands from the impacts of climate change; and 3) \$1.8 billion for regional climate resilience projects that address multiple risks.

This bond measure did not pass in 2023 and will be eligible for consideration again in 2024. The bill is currently in the Senate Natural Resources Committee as a two-year bill.

Agency position: Support if amended to include \$200 million towards organic waste infrastructure

Support: The Nature Conservancy, California Urban Forests Council, Placer Land Trust

Opposition: None

Cost to local governments: None

Other

*NEW AB 3051 (Muratsuchi) Personal income taxes: voluntary contributions: California K–12 Climate Change Education Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund

This bill creates, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, the California K-12 Climate Change Education Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund (Fund) program on the personal income tax (PIT) return. The creation of this fund will further the state's implementation and enhancement of teaching about climate change in California's schools.

Agency position: Support

Support: California Green Business Network, Center for Ecoliteracy, Association of Environmental

Education Foundation

Opposition: None listed at this time Costs to local government: None

Next Steps/Key Dates

- May: Governor's May revision of the budget is released. House of origin approval deadline
- <u>June:</u> The state budget for 2024-25 must be passed
- August: Deadline for bills to pass the Legislature
- September: Deadline for Governor to sign or veto bills

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend that the Boards adopt the stated positions on the bills listed above.

June 2024 Meetings Schedule

Alameda County Waste Management Authority, the Energy Council, Source Reduction & Recycling Board, and Programs and Administration Committee

(Hybrid meetings are held at StopWaste Offices unless otherwise noted)

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	9:00 A.M. Programs & Administration Committee Key Items: 1. Election of P&A Chair and Vice Chair 2. Lease Ordinance 4:00 P.M. Planning Committee & Recycling Board Key Items: 1. Environmental Leadership Awards Program	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	3:00 P.M. Waste Management Authority & Energy Council Key Items: 1. Election of officers WMA 2. Election of Officers EC 3. Annual ED evaluation 4. Lease Ordinance 5. Equity Plan Update	27	28	29
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