

DATE: May 13, 2021

TO: Programs and Administration Committee

Planning Committee/Recycling Board

FROM: Wendy Sommer, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Waste Management Davis Street Organics Facilities Update

SUMMARY

At the May committee meetings, staff from Waste Management of Alameda County will update the boards on the status of two organics processing facilities at the Davis Street Resource Recovery Complex in San Leandro.

DISCUSSION

Shawn Tackitt, Field Director of Operations for Waste Management, will provide an update on the newly commissioned Organic Material Recovery Facility (OMRF) and the adjoining Organic Material Composting Facility (OMCF) at Davis Street. The facilities are designed to help the City of Oakland and other Alameda County jurisdictions meet their waste reduction goals, including SB 1383's goal of 75% diversion of organics by 2025.

The Organic Material Recovery Facility extracts recyclable and organic materials from landfill streams that are not or cannot be consumed, reused, or source separated for recovery. The facility has the capacity to process 300,000 tons of municipal solid waste per year, with a goal of recovering more than 80 percent of organic materials and nearly 90 percent of recyclables left in the waste stream. The OMRF complements, and does not replace, traditional single-stream recycling. The City of Oakland required that Waste Management of Alameda County build such a facility as part of its current franchise agreement.

The Organic Material Composting Facility processes source separated organics from the City of Oakland and other jurisdictions to produce compost from materials that would otherwise have been landfilled. The facility is a fully enclosed building utilizing control technology to capture and reduce GHG emissions.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information only.