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**IMPERIAL VALLEY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY (IVRMA)
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)**

DRAFT MINUTES

June 27, 2024

Present

Quorum Attendees:

Liz Zarate	City of El Centro
Frank Pacheco	City of El Centro
Yvonne Cordero	City of Imperial
Leslie Castaneda	City of Brawley
Jonathan Sahagun	City of Brawley
Aldo Ayon	City of Brawley
Monica Zendejas	City of Calipatria
Jose Castaneda	Imperial County

Attendees:

Maricela Galarza	IVRMA
Angelica Gerardo	IVRMA
Claudia Gonzales	IVRMA
Atenea Leal	IVRMA
Matt Gray	CR&R
Francisco Ochoa	CR&R
Sylvia Gerardo	Republic Services
Chelsea Callahan	Cal Recycle
Antonella Zamora	ReCREATE Waste Collaborative
Natalie Lessa	ReCREATE Waste Collaborative

1. Mr. Pacheco called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. **A Quorum was present.** Introductions were made.
 - Hybrid meeting
2. May 16, 2024, MINUTES were reviewed, and no comments or changes were requested. Minutes were adopted for May 16, 2024. (Ms. Cordero, seconded by Mr. Castañeda) **Motion Carried.**
3. CALRECYCLE LAMD

Ms. Callahan provided the following updates.

- SB1383 chat webinar for June was on Implementation records.
- For the July break on the SB1383 chat webinar. It will resume in August the topic will be Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement.

- Grant information
 - Battery Stewardship Informal Regulatory concept workshop on July 11, 2024, from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.
 - The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery will hold an informal public workshop on July 11, 2024, to consult with the public. The regulated community and other interested persons to solicit feedback on select requirements outlined in the responsible Battery Recycling Act.
 - The application due date for the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant cycle 83 is July 9, 2024.

4. ELECTRONIC ANNUAL REPORT

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- Will send all jurisdictions a template that Ms. Galarza has done previously for the last fiscal year. For jurisdictions to have a template to follow especially for some cities that are not currently fully transitioned to Minerva.
- Suggested for the EAR information to be inputted on Minerva by July 10, 2024. Ms. Galarza will start extracting from Minerva and will possibly be reaching out to jurisdictions to obtain the most information for the report.
- Requested for the template to be forwarded back to Ms. Galarza by July 15, 2024, for her to review them and go over them with Ms. Callahan or Ms. Larner.
- If any questions or help is needed, Ms. Galarza

5. ORGANIC WASTE CAPACITY REPORT 2025-34

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- Received a letter from CalRecycle stating that Imperial County and its jurisdictions were back in compliance with both Edible and Organic waste.
- The organic Waste Capacity Report is due August 1, 2024, and must be submitted to Ms. Galarza no later than July 20, 2024, for her to review and submit.

6. EDIBLE FOOD CAPACITY REPORT

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- Edible Food Capacity Report due August 1, 2024.

Ms. Lessa provided the following updates.

- Final pending stages on the Edible Food Capacity calculator. It's a ten-year evaluation to determine if there's enough capacity at your Food Recovery organizations to receive all the potential Edible Food being disposed of.
- ReCREATE Waste Collaborative it's in the final stage and will be sending it over to the IVRMA team on July 1, 2024. Will be reviewing the information together and from there will be breaking status so it can be on a jurisdiction-by jurisdiction basis. It will vary by jurisdiction with the capacity.
- Informed that Imperial County as a whole has enough capacity within the listing organizations to receive all the potential foods. The amount of excess will be less than the prior report.
- The report is due to CalRecycle on August 1, 2024.

7. IVRMA UPDATES

Ms. Galarza provided the following updates.

- Introduced the new outreach coordinator Claudia Gonzalez.
- The annual budget was officially approved by the board. The fund was presented as partial for SB1383 funds and partial to other related resources. The budget was reduced to \$262,000 for all jurisdictions. Funds will be billed separately with two invoices. One is directly related to the operations of IVRMA and the other to SB1383. Invoices will be sent out in mid-July or mid-August.

Ms. Leal provided the following updates.

- For June outreach department has finalized mailers for the communities of Westmorland, Calipatria, Ocotillo, Niland, and Holtville for next month's clean-up events.
- For July there's one upcoming clean-up event in the city of Westmorland in collaboration with CR&R. (July 13, 2024)
- The outreach department has started to continue doing Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) outreach in the community of Niland businesses.
- IVRMA's website and social media have been updated with all the flyers with the upcoming events.

8. MEMBER ROUNDTABLE

- Ms. Cordero mentioned the City of Imperial recognized all Republic Services Waste Recycling workers in June's council meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- Mr. Pacheco adjourned the meeting at 3:29 p.m

The next IVRMA TAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 25, 2024. For questions or comments, please call Maricela Galarza at (760) 996-0972, or email at maricelagalarza@imperialctc.org.