

**Clark County  
Solid Waste Advisory Commission  
Regular Meeting**

Thursday October 3, 2013

Clark County Auto License Office  
1408 Franklin Street  
Vancouver, WA

**SWAC Members Present:** Lisa Schmidt, Don Ebbeson, Richard Baker, Allan Jeska, Rem Wilson, Jack McClary, Stephen Smythe, Jeanne Stewart, Brandon Vick

**Staff Present:** Anita Largent, Mike Davis, Sabra Hall-Nelson

**Others Present:** Julie Robertson; Department of Ecology, Rich McConaghy; City of Vancouver, Gary Bickett; Clark County Public Health, Scott Campbell; WCI

**I. Roll Call, Approval of Minutes**

Richard Baker moved to approve the September 5, 2013 SWAC minutes as written. Jack McClary seconded the motion, Don Ebbeson abstained. Motion passed.

**II. Updates**

**County Public Health – Gary Bickett**

There are some changes in management at Public Health. Marni Storey the interim director has taken a new position at Washington County Health and Human Services. Alan Melnick is now the Administrator/Health Officer for Clark County.

West Van Materials Recovery recently had an issue with picric-acid which is highly explosive, the fire department was called. Melissa Sutton and the Department of Ecology will be meeting on October 15<sup>th</sup> with Waste Connections to review and update the plan for accepting moderate risk waste.

City of Vancouver was awarded an EPA grant of \$400,000 over a three year project, it's for Area Wide Brownfields Infrastructure and Brownfields Revitalizing Planning. Brian DeDoncker will be partnering with Brian Snodgrass to preform assessments as needed.

At the annual Site Hazard Assessment conference in Ellensburg Brian DeDoncker was awarded the "Best Presenter" award for his presentation on septic tanks at commercial and industrial sites.

**County Environmental Services – Anita Largent**

Handouts in packet

- First week of October is Household Hazardous Waste Awareness week.
- News Release-Unwanted prescription collection events at two locations on Saturday October 26:
  - Fisher's Landing Transit Center
  - Battle Ground Police Department.

- News Article: Waste Connections debuts natural-gas-fueled trucks- Ribbon cutting event on September 12, 2013.
- October Green Neighbors Newsletter highlights three special waste collections. Two are medications, thermometer, cell phones and eyeglass collection: Legacy Salmon Creek and the other at Peace Health Southwest Medical Center. The third event is on Saturday Oct. 5 from 9:00 am- to 1:00 pm at County Public Works – 4700 NE 78<sup>th</sup> Street a HHW, electronics and block foam collection event.
- Workshop October 27 called the “Bug Chicks” 1-4 at Water Resource Center.
- Empower Up moving to 3206 NE 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, open house October 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **City of Vancouver – Rich McConaghy**

No update this month

### **Department of Ecology – Julie Robertson**

No update.

### **III. Update and Input on State Solid Waste Plan – Julie Robertson**

Julie Robertson provided a handout titled “Washington State’s Solid & Hazardous Waste Plan”. Similar to local planning jurisdictions, the State of Washington is required to have a Solid Waste and Hazardous Waste Plan and update it regularly. This plan is currently known as the *Beyond Waste Plan*. DOE is updating the 2009 plan with the goal of having it completed by December 2014. Julie Robertson is asking for feedback from SWAC members throughout the state. A variety of options are available to provide feedback - contact:

- Janine Bogar, Waste 2 Resources Program at
  - 360-407-66545 or [Janine.bogar@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Janine.bogar@ecy.wa.gov)
- Chris Chapman, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program at
  - 360-407-7160 or [Chris.chapman@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Chris.chapman@ecy.wa.gov)
- [www.ecy.wa.gov/wasteplan](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/wasteplan)
- <http://listserv.wa.gov/cgi-bin/wa?A0=WA-STATE-WASTE-PLAN>

SWAC members requested time to review the current plan, review the questions asked and then be prepared to bring their thoughts that information back to the next SWAC meeting. Members could also provide feedback on a personal level. The 90 page document is online, hard copies are also available.

### **IV. Project Updates – Mike Davis**

#### **▪ Leichner Landfill Master Plan**

- July released Request for Proposal (RFP) for planning. Selected one vendor- information not available. (highest and best use)
- Some zone residential- R5 or R10,
- More available in a couple weeks- staff report
- Outreach activity
- 94<sup>th</sup> widen from 500 to 99<sup>th</sup>
- Grant available

#### **▪ Transfer Station Feasibility Study**

- Limited commercial property available in the county. Need more commercial property for a fourth transfer station or expand right turn lane.
- Looking for heavy industrial property.
- Final report is almost ready.

- Need to decide whether to expand current transfer stations or purchase property for future use.
- **C&D Sort Line**
  - Building on rebound – CRC will install a C&D sort line sometime this fall at West Van-

#### **V. Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Anita Largent**

- **Appendix G – Milestones**
  - Briefly reviewed
- **Appendix M – Siting Guidelines for Solid Waste Handling Facilities**
  - New language added from EPA guidelines and King County experience utilizing these guidelines.
- Jeanne Stewart: concern about the difficulty in finding property or expanding current ones.  
Anita Largent will send out the EPA document that consists of about 20-30 pages.

#### **VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

None

#### **VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Scott Campbell noted that King County's newest transfer station is holding an open house on October 8.

Allan Jeska stated that while visiting in Alaska; they send their recycled material back to the states.

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm**