

**NOVATO SANITARY DISTRICT  
SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE MEETING  
October 20, 2015**

**MINUTES**

Members Present:

Jean Mariani                      Gary Butler

Others in Attendance:

Sandeep Karkal                  Dee Johnson      Steve McCaffrey                  William Schoen  
Casey Williams                  Scott Pariani      Delyn Kies                          John Warren

1. Approve agenda. The agenda for October 20, 2015 was approved as submitted.
2. Public Comment. There was no comment from the public.
3. Minutes of August 31, 2015. The minutes of August 31, 2015 were approved as submitted. .
4. Calendar Year(CY) 2016 Solid Waste Rate Adjustment. Sandeep Karkal presented the rate adjustment report. Gary Butler indicated the report was very clear and complete. Jean Mariani and Gary Butler recommended the rate review request be moved to the full District Board for approval.
5. Updates/Routine Business Items.
  - City of Novato. There was no update from the City. .
  - Redwood Landfill. There was no representative present from Redwood Landfill
  - Novato Disposal quarterly report- This item was moved to be included with Item 6.
  - Marin County JPA and Local Task Force(LTF). Dee and Delyn Kies indicated that the LTF had revised the C&D report recommendations to coincide with the Cal Green Building standards which would be distributed to the JPA Board and the cities and county.
6. Disposal/Diversion Report 2015. Steve and Dee reviewed the diversion numbers. Novato Disposal 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter diversion has decreased 1% from 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter – (52.83% vs. 53.97%) Numbers are not yet available for 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter from Redwood Landfill. Steve indicated that more restrictions are being put on types of plastics accepted, including plastic bags and shrink wrap. Although recycling tonnage is up slightly, greenwaste and food waste is down, while disposal is up. Gary Butler indicated that diversion percentage is essentially flat from 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2014 to 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2015. Steve discussed the difficulties in the markets for recyclables. Asked about commercial food waste, Steve indicated that Redwood Landfill was not moving forward with accepting additional commercial food waste due to their concerns over certifying their compost product as organic. Currently commercial food waste is being delivered to Richmond. Jean Mariani suggested that a Redwood representative be contacted to attend these meetings. Attaining 60% diversion was also discussed.
7. Household Hazardous Waste Programs. Dee indicated that participation at the HHW facility continues to increase, although September was a little slower than July and August. Participation at the October E-Waste event was 781.
8. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 3:27pm.