



10590 Armstrong Avenue · Mather, CA 95655 · (916) 875-8444 · FAX (916) 875-8588

May 2011

Volume 10, Number 5

Welcome to the May 2011 EMD Update. This issue contains activities and accomplishments that occurred in the Department during the month of April 2011. Please feel free to forward comments questions and/or suggestions to Linda Jimenez at (916) 875-8582 or [JimenezL@SacCounty.net](mailto:JimenezL@SacCounty.net)

### Highlights

- *Colleen Maitoza, Supervising Environmental Specialist, Receives Stuart E. Richardson, Sr. Award*
- *EMD Director Shares Information With Rancho Cordova City Leadership*
- *EMD Staff Participates In Preparedness Training*

### COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Phil Serna, 1<sup>st</sup> District  
Jimmie Yee, 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
Susan Peters, 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
Roberta MacGlashan, 4<sup>th</sup> District  
Don Nottoli, 5<sup>th</sup> District

Steven C. Szalay  
Interim County Executive

Bruce Wagstaff  
Administrator  
Countywide Services Agency

Val F. Siebal, Director  
Environmental Management  
Department

### NOTEWORTHY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### Stuart E. Richardson, Sr. Award

Supervising Environmental Specialist (ES) Colleen Maitoza received the Stuart E. Richardson, Sr. Award presented by the California Environmental Health Association (CEHA) at the Annual Education Symposium. The award is presented to recognize an outstanding person (or group of persons) who has (have) made a significant educational contribution to the field of environmental health and environmental health professions by providing instruction or by involvement in the training process. Colleen received the award for her significant contribution to the field of recreational health (pool safety).

#### Administrative Professionals Day

EMD celebrated Administrative Professionals Day with a luncheon honoring the Department's talented and dedicated administrative staff whose work is truly appreciated.

### NEWS MEDIA INTERACTION

#### Egg Safety

Supervising ES Mark Barcellos was interviewed by Radio Station KFBK 1530 regarding egg safety during the Easter holiday. ES Barcellos shared information on the need to wash hands when handling raw and cooked eggs and explained that eggs should not be out of refrigeration for more than two hours.

## COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE, WORKSHOPS AND OUTREACH

### Food Safety Education (FSE)

Eight FSE classes were conducted in April with 131 participants representing 26 facilities. Three classes were conducted in English, two classes were conducted in Spanish, two classes were conducted in Cantonese, and one class was conducted in Vietnamese.

### Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMP) Workshops

Two HMP workshops were held with four businesses in attendance.

### Storm Water Pollution Prevention

As an ingredient of EMD's outreach effort, ESs Sean Daneluk and Sharon Merker provided a training session on "Storm Water Pollution Prevention at Corporation Yards". The workshop, intended for maintenance superintendents, focused on storm water pollution prevention strategies and best management practices.

### Rancho Cordova

EMD Director Siebal shared information regarding EMD programs and how they impact the citizens of the city at a leadership training course provided to Rancho Cordova leadership by the County of Sacramento.

### Cross Connection Control Ordinance

ES Chris Hunley presented information regarding the new Sacramento County Cross Connection Control Ordinance as part of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) Backflow Prevention Tester Course. EMD staff presents regulatory updates at the week-long AWWA course which is held every 2-3 months. Staff also provided information on how to register as a tester, testing do's and don'ts, and how to submit reports.

### Earth Day 2011

ESs Doug Osborn, Eric Sutton and Sharon Zimmerman shared information on environmental programs being implemented by EMD at Earth Day Festivals held at Cesar Chavez and Southside Parks.

### Retail Stores - Compliance Inspections, Enforcement And Regulatory Issues

EMD hosted a training session on "Retail Stores - Compliance Inspections, Enforcement and Regulatory Issues". Speakers from San Diego and San Joaquin County Environmental Departments and from the Alameda County District Attorney's Office provided information on storage, generation, and management of hazardous materials at retail stores.

## PROCESS IMPROVEMENT AND COLLABORATION

### National Environmental Health Association (NEHA)

Environmental Health Division (EHD) Deputy Chief Alicia Enriquez attended a meeting of the NEHA Board of Directors. Deputy Chief Enriquez currently serves as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of NEHA.

### Sacramento Environmental Commission (SEC)

EMD Director Val Siebal and Executive Secretary Vicki Kloock provided staff support to the April 18<sup>th</sup> televised meeting of the SEC. 2010 Environmental Recognition Awards were presented to a wide range of recipients including the Mayor's Greenwise Sacramento Initiative and to the Sacramento City Unified School District for their "Going Green with Envirobro Radio Show". David Brown, Manager, Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District (SMVCD) presented information regarding the 2011 Mosquito Abatement Program and Janet Baker, Director, County Regional Parks Systems provided an update on county parks. EHD Chief John Rogers shared information on EMD's 2010 Foodborne Illness Report as documented by the State Department of Public Health.

### 2011 Samuel J. Crumbine Award

EMD Director Val Siebal participated in the review of six applications and the selection of Toronto (Canada) as the winner of 2011 Crumbine Award. This national award is presented annually to a local environmental health jurisdiction that has demonstrated excellence and continual improvement in a comprehensive food protection program. Sacramento and many other jurisdictions have adopted food protection program systems similar to Toronto. Alameda County (CA) is currently considering adoption of a Green/Yellow/Red placarding program.

### Enforcement Advisory Council

Supervising ES Lisa Todd represented the North Central Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) Round Table at a meeting of the Enforcement Advisory Council held at CalRecycle. CalRecycle reported that the Anaerobic Digester Program Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be available in May. The purpose of the statewide programmatic EIR is to streamline the permitting process for new alternative technologies for composting and waste digestion. Other meeting highlights included a legislative update and discussion regarding the implementation of new landfill Closure Financial Assurance requirements that become effective in July.

## EMPLOYEE TRAINING

### California Hazardous Materials Investigators Association (CHMIA)

ESs Robert Duncan, Rebecca Knoche, Lisa Perez, Jonathan Pollack, Michelle Sever and Heather Tanner attended the CHMIA Annual Conference. The conference provided important training sessions on environmental enforcement and opportunities for hazardous material inspectors and investigators to coordinate and facilitate all aspects of environmental crime investigations statewide.

### Disaster Preparedness Training

Supervising ES Mark Barcellos and ESs Dennis Catanyag and Jason Smalley participated in mock disaster preparedness care and shelter training held in Sacramento. ES Barcellos was stationed at the Emergency Operations Center and ESs Catanyag and Smalley inspected the food service at one of the four mock shelters operated by the County Department of Health and Human Services and the American Red Cross.

### Natural Gas Pipeline Emergency Response Awareness

ESs Ryan Artz and Sophia Johnston attended a workshop on "Natural Gas Pipeline Emergency Response Awareness" presented by the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD). The workshop focused on emergency response along natural gas pipeline right-of-way.

### California Environmental Health Association (CEHA)

Supervising ES Lisa Todd and ES Cheryl Hawkins attended the CEHA Annual Educational Symposium. Workshops included: Protecting Drinking Water Through Cross Connection Control; Basic Geology and Ground Water Concepts; Ground Water Issues and Resolution Planning; Well Head Inspection and Disinfection; and Research Results of the Nebraska Grout Task Force.

## PERSONNEL

### New Employee

Herbert Liang was hired as a Senior Student Intern in EHD in March 2011.  
Art Sheyko was hired as a Senior Student Intern in the ECD in April 2011.

**APRIL 2011 BY THE NUMBERS**

		<b>April 2011</b>	<b>To Date FY 2010-11</b>
	<u>Food Facility Placards Issued</u>		
	A. Green – Pass	1,415	10,288
	B. Yellow – Conditional Pass	71	619
	C. Red – Closed	6	90
	<u>Inspections</u>		
1.	Above Ground Storage Tank	1	24
2.	Food Protection (includes reinspections and food events)	1,755	12,972
3.	Farm Labor Camps	3	43
4.	Public Swimming Pools/Spas	1	2,325
5.	Solid Waste Facilities (landfills/transfer stations)	23	216
6.	Liquid Waste	17	140
7.	Medical Waste	7	130
8.	Small Water Systems	7	41
9.	Wells	43	675
10.	Underground Storage Tank (UST) Installations, Upgrade/Repair, and Removal	10	200
11.	Businesses/Facilities Generating Hazardous Waste	104	774
12.	Businesses/Facilities Storing Hazardous Materials	142	1,108
13.	Underground Storage Tank Facilities	43	407
14.	Storm Water	178	1,335
15.	Waste Tire	57	464
16.	Tobacco Retailer	24	383
17.	Commercial Recycling	202	713
18.	Multi-Family Recycling	51	151
19.	Refuse Vehicle Inspections	0	309
	Total	2,668	22,410
	<u>Investigations</u>		
1.	Abandoned Well Program	7	199
2.	Consumer Complaints	85	634
3.	Food Borne Illness	18	144
4.	Incident Response	12	219
5.	Solid Waste	4	95
6.	Storm Water	11	522
7.	Waste Tire	1	61
8.	Childhood Lead	0	7
	Total	138	1,881
	<u>Class Attendance</u>		
1.	Food Safety Education (Food School)	131	692
2.	Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMP) Workshop	4	29
3.	“How To Get A Green” Workshop	25	60
	Total	160	781
	<u>Plans, Permits, and Reviews</u>		
1.	Hazardous Materials Business Plans	433	4,016
2.	Monitoring Wells	64	832
3.	Food Facilities	76	804
4.	Public Swimming Pools/Spas	11	351
5.	Underground Storage Tanks - Includes Removals, Installations, Upgrades and Repairs	10	106
6.	Land Use	12	121
7.	Local Oversight Program	4	47
8.	Cross Connection Permits (Blue Tags)	2,249	16,258
	Total	2,859	22,535
	<u>Information Management</u>		
1.	Documents Imaged	7,893	96,871
2.	Public Record Reviews	21	223
	Total	7,914	97,094