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Welcome to the July 2013 Environmental Management Department (EMD) Update. This issue contains activities and accomplishments that occurred during June 2013. Please forward comments, questions or suggestions to Linda Jimenez at (916) 875-8582 or JimenezL@SacCounty.net

Highlights

- *Eighty-Nine Participants Attend Food Safety Education Classes*
- *Thirty-Five Businesses Represented At Hazardous Business Plan Workshops*
- *EMD Conducts Four Unpermitted Food Vendor Sweeps*

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COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE, WORKSHOPS AND OUTREACH

Food Safety Education (FSE)

Eight FSE classes were conducted in June with a total of 89 participants representing eighteen facilities. Three classes were conducted in Cantonese, two classes were conducted in Spanish, one class was conducted in English, one class was conducted in Russian, and one class was conducted in Vietnamese.

Food Industry Working Group

EMD hosted a meeting of the Food Industry Working Group which included an update on the City of Sacramento Reusable Bag Ordinance by Erin Treadwell, Community Outreach & Media Manager, Recycling and Solid Waste Division, Department of General Services, City of Sacramento. It is the intent of the city to reduce the use of single-use plastic bags and paper bags, and encouraging the use of reusable bags by consumers and retailers. The proposed ordinance requires that supermarkets, convenience food stores, foodmarts, or other entity that is engaged in retail sale of a limited line of goods, and stores of at least 10,000 square feet of retail space that generate sales or use tax and that have a pharmacy license shall charge a minimum of ten cents for each recycled paper bag or reusable bag provided to customers at point of sale. Public input is currently being received and a date has not been set for Council review of the ordinance.

California Environmental Reporting System/Hazardous Materials Business Plan Workshops

Four workshops were provided to business owners and operators to assist with online electronic reporting of Hazardous Materials Business Plans using the newly developed EMD portal. Thirty-nine people representing thirty-five separate businesses participated in the workshops.

Pool Training

Environmental Specialists (ESs) Craig Dorrough and Toua Yang conducted two training classes for public pool operators, owners, and pool service companies. Forty participants received information on pool code requirements and what to expect during a pool inspection.

PROCESS IMPROVEMENT AND COLLABORATION

Economic Subcommittee

EMD Director Val Siebal participated in a meeting of the Economic Subcommittee formed by the County Executive and the County Economic Development Department. Members of the subcommittee, which include directors from four other county departments, reviewed a draft economic action plan presented by the Economic Development Department. A basic outline of outreach materials was also discussed. Additional members will be added to the subcommittee in the near future.

Unpermitted Food Vendor Sweeps

ESs Jan Bradshaw, Manny Estrada, Steve Moua, Tuan Nguyen, and Kari Wagner joined representatives from Sacramento City and Sacramento County Code Enforcement in conducting four unpermitted food vendor sweeps. More than twelve carts were impounded, and unapproved food was discarded during the sweeps.

California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health (CCDEH)

On June 6, 2013 EMD Director Val Siebal, Environmental Compliance Division (ECD) Chief Elise Rothschild, and Environmental Health Division (EHD) Chief John Rogers attended a meeting of CCDEH Region II (Bay Area). Items discussed during the meeting included fees, standardized training, employee protection, and environmental legislation.

Sacramento Environmental Commission (SEC)

On June 17, 2013 EHD Chief John Rogers and Executive Secretary Vicki Kloock provided staff support at the monthly SEC meeting. Professor Kent J. Bradford, Director, Seed Biotechnology Center, University of California Davis shared information regarding the value and future of genetically modified foods. Joe Klegseth, Director of Partner Marketing, Sacramento Convention and Visitors Bureau provided information regarding their campaign to seek identification of Sacramento as the Farm-to-Fork Capital of America.

State Water Resources Control Board

EMD Director Val Siebal met with Tam Doduc, Board Member, California State Water Resources Control Board to discuss Local Oversight Program certification and invoicing.

Local Enforcement Agency (LEA)

Supervising ES Lisa Todd and ESs Lea Gibson, Victoria Pena, and John Lewis hosted an LEA Roundtable meeting. California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery staff and representatives from LEAs met to discuss upcoming legislation and solid waste issues of regional and statewide concern.

JUNE 2013 BY THE NUMBERS

		June 2013	To Date FY 2012-13
	<u>Food Facility Placards Issued</u>		
	A. Green – Pass	1,000	11,742
	B. Yellow – Conditional Pass	100	765
	C. Red – Closed	15	111
	<u>Inspections</u>		
1.	Above Ground Storage Tank	3	53
2.	Body Art	5	313
3.	Food Protection (includes reinspections and food events)	1,411	15,447
4.	Farm Labor Camps	0	36
5.	Public Swimming Pools/Spas	296	2,323
6.	Solid Waste Facilities (landfills/transfer stations)	32	299
7.	Liquid Waste	27	245
8.	Medical Waste	8	126
9.	Small Water Systems	13	43
10.	Wells	97	631
11.	Businesses/Facilities Generating Hazardous Waste	81	804
12.	Businesses/Facilities Storing Hazardous Materials	103	1,043
13.	Underground Storage Tank Facilities	32	471
14.	Storm Water	72	1,399
15.	Waste Tire	94	926
16.	Tobacco Retailer	14	335
17.	Commercial/Multi-Family Recycling	29	1,347
18.	Refuse Vehicle Inspections	<u>1</u>	<u>327</u>
	Total	2,318	26,168
	<u>Investigations</u>		
1.	Abandoned Well Program	8	93
2.	Consumer Complaints	69	873
3.	Food Borne Illness	22	217
4.	Incident Response	15	128
5.	Solid Waste	11	101
6.	Storm Water	1	80
7.	Waste Tire	0	3
8.	Childhood Lead	<u>1</u>	<u>11</u>
	Total	127	1,506
	<u>Class Attendance</u>		
1.	Food Safety Education (Food School)	89	970
2.	Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMP) Workshop	39	251
3.	“How To Get A Green Placard For Food Inspection” Workshop	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total	128	1,221
	<u>Plans, Permits, and Reviews</u>		
1.	Hazardous Materials Business Plans	331	3,518
2.	Monitoring Wells	130	1,201
3.	Food Facilities	58	884
4.	Public Swimming Pools/Spas	14	246
5.	Underground Storage Tanks - Includes Removals, Installations, Upgrades and Repairs	7	82
6.	Land Use	7	86
7.	Local Oversight Program	2	28
8.	Cross Connection Permits (Blue Tags)	<u>2,111</u>	<u>19,085</u>
	Total	2,660	25,130
	<u>Information Management</u>		
1.	Documents Imaged	13,187	141,491
2.	Public Record Reviews	<u>1</u>	<u>76</u>
	Total	13,188	141,567