

**COUNTYWIDE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT  
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE/ CRRA San Diego Chapter and Zero Waste San Diego Public Meeting  
MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

**WHEN:** Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm.

**This meeting will be virtual**

**MEETING LINK:** <https://cosd.bluejeans.com/660161928>

**Phone call in through Blue Jeans:**

**Call 408-317-9253 and enter the meeting ID 660161928**

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**Agenda**

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval, Minutes May 2020
3. Chair's Report
4. Staff Reports
  - Cities
  - County
  - Haulers
  - Non Profits
  - LWV
5. Public Comments and Communication
6. Regional Planning Issues
7. Legislative Update
  - Current Bills
8. Roundtable
9. Adjournment

## Minutes

**WHEN:** Thursday, May 14, 2020 from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

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1. Welcome and Introductions – Debbie Dodson (Carton Council), Bob Hill (EDCO), Beryl Flom (League of Women Voters San Diego), Heidi Sanborn (National Stewardship Action Council), Jordan Wells (National Stewardship Action Council), Chase Wiegand (City of San Diego), Ellyn Law (County of San Diego), Steve Weihe (County of San Diego), Stephen Mergener (Scalvage), Michelle DeNicola (Sierra Club), Rick Anthony (Chair)
2. Approval, Minutes Apr 2020 – Approved, No changes.
3. Chair’s Report
  - CRRA has gone to its Board of Directors to renegotiate the CRRA Conference.
4. Staff Reports
  - City of San Diego
    - Amendments to the City’s Recycling Ordinance were sent to City Council.
    - City is working on a SB 1383 comment letter.
    - City was awarded a grant from CalRecycle to combat illegal dumping.
    - City also requested information for reuse or other alternatives for utility poles.
  - County of San Diego
    - County instituted the [new Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling Ordinance](#) on April 1, 2020.
    - County will begin gradually reopening its offices on May 15.
    - The County held a virtual Earth Day Fair on April 22 which included GIF and coloring contests, virtual hikes, and an Ask A Recycling Specialist Facebook Live event among other things.
    - County is working on developing virtual workshops/webinars to provide alternatives to in-person outreach.
  - Haulers
    - EDCO continues to process recyclables at the Lemon Grove and Escondido facilities. The buyback centers remain closed. Continuing work on the anaerobic digestors at the Escondido facility.
    - EDCO provided an update on the effects of COVID-19 on disposal tonnages. Commercial tonnages have decreased, and residential tonnages have increased.
  - Carton Council
    - There has been growth in carton recycling markets as cartons are used to manufacture paper products like tissues and paper towels.

- Carton Council has been participating in numerous webinars for schools discussing ways to feed students outside of a cafeteria setting.
  - Carton Council has funding available for residential and school carton recycling.
  - Interest in alternative ways to support organizations since conferences have been postponed.
- Sierra Club
    - The conservation committee meeting was scheduled for 5/11 but did not occur.
    - Interest in creating a zero waste subcommittee.
- National Stewardship Action Council
    - The National Stewardship Action Council works on legislation to advocate for producer responsibility and a circular economy. An update on NSAC-sponsored bills was shared:
      - [SB 424: Tobacco Waste](#). This bill would require any electronic cigarettes to be reusable and require a take-back program. Cigarettes and cigars cannot have a filter.
      - [AB 1672: Solid waste: flushable products](#). This bill would require certain nonwoven disposal wipes to be labeled clearly to communicate that they should not be flushed.
    - An update on the California Department of Health Care Services Grant was shared. The California Product Stewardship Council will be installing 35 collection bins for unwanted medicines at Albertsons locations in San Diego County beginning in July. There will be a press event. For more information or participation in the event please contact Heidi Sanborn at [Heidi@nsaction.us](mailto:Heidi@nsaction.us) or Jordan Wells at [Jordan@nsaction.us](mailto:Jordan@nsaction.us).
- League of Women Voters San Diego
    - The League of Women Voters San Diego has been working on addressing food waste.
- Scalvage
    - Scalvage noted increased wait times to handle unwanted goods as many recycling, reuse and disposal facilities have closed.
5. Public Comments and Communication-None.
6. Regional Planning Issues
- The County of San Diego is continuing work to propose zoning revisions related to organic materials management.
    - Members request a future presentation as the project moves forward.
7. Legislative Update
- [AB 2287: Solid waste: plastic products: certification](#). Current law prohibits a person from selling a plastic product in the state that is labeled with the term “compostable,” “home compostable,” or “marine degradable” unless certain standards are met. This bill would authorize CalRecycle to issue guidelines for determining whether a plastic product is not compliant with these labeling requirements and whether the plastic product is advertised or designed in a way that is misleading to consumers.

- [AB 2959](#): *Solid waste byproducts from the processing of food or beverages*. Existing law prohibits a jurisdiction from subjecting the hauling of certain byproducts from the processing of food or beverages to an exclusive, partially exclusive or nonexclusive franchise, contract, license or permit if certain conditions are met. This bill would reauthorize a jurisdiction to subject the hauling of these byproducts to a franchise, contract, license or permit if the byproducts originate from a supermarket, grocer, restaurant, or other retail food establishment.
- [SB 1156](#): *Lithium-ion batteries: illegal disposal: fire prevention*. This bill would prohibit a person from knowingly disposing of a lithium-ion battery in a container that is intended for the collection of solid waste or recyclable materials.
- [SB 1238](#): *Road project contracts: preference: recycled plastics*. This bill would require the Department of Transportation to conduct a study to determine if including recycled plastics in asphalt used for a construction and repair of project of a state highway is feasible. If determined feasible, would declare it to be a goal of the state that by 2045, the department and each local agency to use recycled plastics in asphalt in every construction or repair project of a local road or state highway that will use asphalt.

#### 8. Roundtable

- University of California Cooperative Extension is holding the [2020 Climate Action & Agriculture Symposium Webinar: Soil Health](#) on May 21.
- CalOSHA provided guidance on [COVID-19 Infection Prevention in Grocery Stores](#) which includes guidance on using reusable bags.

#### 9. Adjournment

- Next meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2020.