



May 6, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: Directors, Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency

From: Paul Freund, Agency Manager

Subject: April 2026 Monthly Update

1. Christian continues to monitor and provide support to the cities and the County for paper product procurement and Green Building Code compliance support to the building departments.
2. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board performed its annual inspection for compliance with the Landfill's Waste Discharge Requirements permit on April 1. No violations or areas of concern were noted.
3. I attended the Bicycle Rodeo on April 6 at the Tehama County Library-Red Bluff Branch in partnership with Freewheel Connection and Tehama County Health Services Agency to promote bicycle repair and the Tehama County Recycling Market Development Zone (TCRMDZ). The event was well received, with almost 15 children participating in the rodeo. Freewheel Connection provided bicycle repair and safety inspections of the children's bicycles and Tehama County Health Services gave out free bike helmets.
4. I was on vacation April 7 to 14.
5. Christian and Max from Green Waste conducted a recycling audit in Lake California on April 16, engaging residents by providing recycling tips and gathering feedback on current practices. The Agency and Green Waste will conduct a second audit in May to evaluate outreach effectiveness.
6. Christian and the Tehama County Reference Librarian, Eddie, facilitated a series of Earth Day themed events at each branch of the Tehama County Library. The events took place on April 16 at the Los Molinos Branch, April 20 at the Red Bluff Branch, and April 22 at the Corning Branch.
7. Tehama County Environmental Health performed their monthly inspections of the landfill and MRF on April 17. They did not find any violations or areas of concern.
8. The Agency's new Recycling Program Analyst, Chelsea Funtanilla, started on April 20.

9. Christian and Max from Green Waste facilitated presentations of the 4R Kids Exhibit to three second grade classes at Antelope Elementary School on April 20.
10. The Agency held its monthly meeting with Waste Connections on April 24. We discussed improvements to the leachate collection system, potential siting of a diesel fueling tank for Green Waste's hauling operations, and additional details on the proposals for the organics program. The Agency was also notified that their Site Manager, Kris Adair, will be taking a new job at a different Waste Connections operated landfill beginning June 1. Waste Connections' Site Supervisor, Wade Coffee, will be replacing Kris.
11. Christian promoted the Smart Business Alliance (SBA) and recycling opportunities for businesses at Corning in the Morning on April 23 and Good Morning Red Bluff on April 30.
12. Christian provided recycling, composting, and hazardous waste outreach at the Tehama District Fair on April 30 in the Makerspace organized by the Tehama County Library. The 4R Kids Exhibit trailer was also on display for children to learn about recycling and proper hazardous waste disposal by playing various games, including Battery Superhero, Hazardous Waste Seek n Find, and The Game of CFL Life.
13. Agency staff contributed waste reduction, recycling and hazardous waste disposal information to the monthly Lake CA POA newsletter, Educators enews, and WasteWise News.
14. Household hazardous waste collection events will be held from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM on the second and fourth Saturdays of May in Red Bluff.

Please feel free to contact me at the office at 528-1103 should any questions arise.

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