

TEHAMA COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY



Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency
Corning City Council Chambers
794 Third Street
Corning, CA 96021
3:00PM

AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026

This meeting conforms to the Brown Act Open Meeting Requirements in that action and deliberations of the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency created to conduct the people's business are taken openly and that the people remain fully informed about the conduct of its business. Public Forum - Any member may address and ask questions of the agency relating to any matter within the jurisdiction, provided the matter is not on the Agency's agenda or pending before the Agency. All items posted on the agenda may be acted upon by the Board of Directors. However, no action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda unless the action is an off-agenda emergency or as otherwise provided in Government Code §54954.2.

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Chair: Tom Walker

Vice Chair: Kris Deiters

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

4. CONSENT

Minutes**1. Recommended Approval of Minutes [26-0120](#)**

Executive Committee - Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency -
Regular - September 4, 2025 3:00PM

Warrant Register**2. Grant-Funded Warrants, January 2026 [26-0105](#)**

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$7,566.54, as presented.

3. Warrants, January 2026 [26-0104](#)

Review and approve the warrants in the amount of \$32,138.56, as presented.

REGULAR - LANDFILL ONLY**4. Agency-supported Legislation Update [26-0125](#)**

This item is for informational purposes only. No further action is required.

5. Tehama County Recycling Market Development Zone Update [26-0130](#)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

6. Smart Business Alliance Quarterly Update [26-0111](#)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

7. Carpet Recycling Program Update [26-0112](#)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

8. Mattress Recycling Law [26-0115](#)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

9. Monthly Update [26-0106](#)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

Board Matters

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In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency will make available to members of the public any special assistance necessary to participate in this meeting. The public should contact the Agency Manager's office (530-528-1103) to make such a request. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the Agency to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

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Agenda Request Form

File #: 26-0120

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 1.

Recommended Approval of Minutes

Requested Action(s)

Executive Committee - Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency - Regular - September 4, 2025 3:00PM

Financial Impact:

Background Information:



Tehama County
Thursday, September 4, 2025 3:00 PM
Executive Committee - Tehama County
Solid Waste Management Agency
Meeting Minutes

Tehama County Solid Waste
Management Agency
Administrative Office
20000 Plymire Road
Red Bluff, CA 96080
3:00PM

Chair: Kris Deiters

Vice Chair: Tom Walker

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:00PM.

Present Kris Deiters, Pati Nolen, Hurschel Himes, and Tom Walker

ABSENT J.R. Gonzales, and Shelly Hargens

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Freund, Agency Manager, announced that the last household hazardous waste (HHW) collection event was held at the Corning Disposal facility and the next event in September would be at the new temporary location. Mr. Freund also informed the board and members of the public about the upcoming free Tire Collection Event.

4. CONSENT

A motion was made by Nolen, seconded by Walker, to APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

RESULT: APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOVER: Pati Nolen

SECONDER: Tom Walker

AYES: Deiters, Nolen, Himes, and Walker

ABSENT: Gonzales, and Hargens

Minutes

1. Recommended Approval of Minutes

25-1497

Executive Committee - Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency -
Regular - May 1, 2025 3:00PM

Warrant Register

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| 2. | Warrants, July 2025 | 25-1494 |
| | Review and approve the warrants in the amount of \$68,815.30, as presented. | |
| 3. | Grant-Funded Warrants, July 2025 | 25-1491 |
| | Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$625.00, as presented. | |
| 4. | Warrants, Period 13 2025 | 25-1496 |
| | Review and approve the warrants in the amount of \$62,553.13, as presented. | |
| 5. | Grant-Funded Warrants, Period 13 2025 | 25-1493 |
| | Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$20,413.75, as presented. | |
| 6. | Warrants, August 2025 | 25-1495 |
| | Review and approve the warrants in the amount of \$70,609.64, as presented. | |
| 7. | Grant-Funded Warrants, August 2025 | 25-1492 |
| | Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$11,034.68, as presented. | |

REGULAR - LANDFILL ONLY

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| 8. | Landfill Yard Waste Fire Incident Update | 25-1499 |
| | This item is for informational purposes; no action is required. | |
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There was discussion among the board and Waste Connections about how the yard waste pile is managed, how often material is shipped, and the Agency's long standing concern about the yard waste pile size. | |
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Members of the public also asked about the requirements for defensible space, as well as onsite fire suppression equipment and management. | |
| 9. | SB 1383 Regulation Review and Update | 25-1500 |
| | This item is for informational purposes; no action is required. | |
| 10. | Smart Business Alliance Quarterly Update | 25-1559 |
| | This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required. | |
| 11. | Outreach Update | 25-1560 |
| | This item is for informational purposes, no action is required. | |
| 12. | Monthly Updates | 25-1498 |
| | This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required. | |

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Directors and Agency staff, and allow the Board of Directors to express consensus that staff should be directed to address the issue and bring it back to the full Board of Directors as an agenda item. This is not a time for the Board to address the merits or express their opinions on the issue but solely to decide if staff should expend resources in researching and preparing documents for consideration at a public board meeting.

Vice Chair Tom Walker requested that an informational item be brought back to the January Full Board meeting on an update to the yard waste fire and how Waste Connections will be managing the pile going forward.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:31PM

Approved by _____
Chair - Tom Walker
Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency Full Board

By _____
Recording Secretary



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Agenda Request Form

File #: 26-0105

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 2.

Grant-Funded Warrants, January 2026

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$7,566.54, as presented.

Financial Impact:

As listed.

Background Information:

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

MEETING AGENDA ITEM

Thursday, February 5, 2026

Grant Expense

504

Issue: Warrants	Backup: Yes
Petitioner: Paul Freund	Clerk Ref. #:
Recommendation: Approve warrants as presented	

FISCAL IMPACT:

Yes -

\$ 7,566.54

01/07/26	CALCARD	2,108.74	WEBATAURANT	J404207
01/07/26	CALCARD	55.31	TRACTOR SUPPLY	J404208
01/06/26	FARM BUREAU NEWS	55.00	DEC	DECAD
01/06/26	TEHAMA TIRE	283.48	LABOR/TIRE DISPOSAL	10070812
01/23/26	AMAZON	117.77	MISC ITEMS	7781396-3177822
01/27/26	DAILY NEWS	1,521.00	RESOURCE GUIDE	006
01/27/26	FARM BUREAU NEWS	55.00	JAN AD	JANAD
01/27/26	PACIFIC SKY	360.00	MAINTENANCE JAN-JUN 2026	8958
01/22/26	USPS POSTAGE	28.86	A-119 DONE	J404468

Sub Total

\$ 4,585.16

01/26/26	PAUL	\$ 1,424.83	25-Dec
01/26/26	CHRISTIAN	\$ 1,556.55	25-Dec

Sub Total -GRANT HOURS

\$ 2,981.38

Respectfully Submitted,



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File #: 26-0104

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 3.

Warrants, January 2026

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the warrants in the amount of \$32,138.56, as presented.

Financial Impact:

As listed.

Background Information:

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEM

Thursday, February 5, 2026

4045

Issue: Warrants	Backup: Yes
Petitioner: Paul Freund	Clerk Ref.#:
Recommendation: Approve Warrants as Presented	

FISCAL IMPACT:

Yes -	\$	32,138.56
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BACKGROUND:

ADMIN SERVICES	\$ 20,548.61	01/01/26-01/31/26	
12/31/2025 APEX	148.28	DEC 25	TS1366414
12/31/2025 TEHAMA TIRE	283.48	LABOR/PARTS	10070763
12/31/2025 ULTIMATE BUILDING MAINTENANCE	475.00	DEC 25	19617
1/7/2026 CALCARD	29.70	GULF OIL 094425	J404209
1/7/2026 CALCARD	108.82	OREILLY 2782-488822	J404206
1/6/2026 WESTGATE	1,701.48	DUES	2026DUES
1/6/2026 MOORE & BOGENER	462.30	TELEPHONE/CORRESPOND/REVIEW	16903
1/6/2026 PGE	411.86	11/4/25-12/4/25	5899-120525
1/6/2026 ATT	94.10	11/12/25-12/11/25	24514257
1/6/2026 WASTE MANAGEMENT	136.96	INSTA BINS	1263538-0533-9
1/23/2026 SECRETARY OF STATE	6.50	CERTIFICATION FEE	SF-405-0126
1/23/2026 HUNT & SONS	72.49	FUEL	912439
1/23/2026 APEX	122.46	JANUARY CHARGES	TS1366585
1/23/2026 APEX	33.75	REMOTE SUPPORT	1366631
1/23/2026 VERIZON	77.23	NEW PHONE	11526304
1/3/2026 AMAZON	202.23	MISC ITEMS	7781396-3177822
1/23/2026 K DEITERS	100.00	JAN 2026 BRD MTG	JAN 2026 BRD MTG
1/23/2026 P HURTON	100.00	JAN 2026 BRD MTG	JAN 2026 BRD MTG
1/23/2026 M CLEMENT	100.00	JAN 2026 BRD MTG	JAN 2026 BRD MTG
1/23/2026 S HARGENS	100.00	JAN 2026 BRD MTG	JAN 2026 BRD MTG
1/23/2026 J BACQUET	100.00	JAN 2026 BRD MTG	JAN 2026 BRD MTG
1/23/2026 R BURROUGHS	100.00	JAN 2026 BRD MTG	JAN 2026 BRD MTG
1/23/2026 T WALKER	100.00	JAN 2026 BRD MTG	JAN 2026 BRD MTG

1/23/2026 M HANSEN	100.00	JAN 2026 BRD MTG	JAN 2026 BRD MTG
1/22/2026 AUDITOR'S OFFICE	1,651.29	INV 158 OCT-DEC 25	J404467
1/27/2026 DAILY NEWS	237.86	ADVERTISING	6941136-01
1/27/2026 RED BLUFF GLASS	45.00	ROCK CHIP REPAIR	9440
1/27/2026 CORNING CHAMBER	75.00	MEMBERSHIP DUES	4125969
1/27/2026 MOORE & BOGENER	582.90	TELEPHONE/CORRESPOND/REVIEW	17002
1/27/2026 PGE	591.93	12/5/25-1/5/26	58991-010626
1/27/2026 GREENWASTE	1,109.51	MIXED LOADS	10019
1/27/2026 CINTAS FIRE PROTECTION	1,445.00	5 YR INSPEC, FIRE ALARM INSPEC	51R-1361
1/27/2026 ULTIMATE BUILDING MAINTENANCE	475.00	1/1/2026	19749
1/27/2026 WASTE MANAGEMENT	136.96	INSTA BINS	1264534-0533-7
1/27/2026 HUNT & SONS	29.03	FUEL	935951
1/27/2026 SWANA	71.25	APRIL 26-JUNE 26	1285980
1/5/2026 AMAZON	1.44	A-2512-00	J404129
1/22/2026 USPS POSTAGE	(28.86)	A-119 DONE	J404468

\$ 32,138.56

Grand Total

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Freund, Solid Waste Management Agency Manager



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File #: 26-0125

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 4.

Agency-supported Legislation Update

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes only. No further action is required.

Financial Impact:

None.

Background Information:

Below is a list of bills the Agency has supported and where they currently stand.

AB 762 (Irwin and Wilson) - Disposable (single-use) Vape Ban

This bill would ban the sale of disposable (single-use) vapes in California to address toxic waste and fire hazards from lithium-ion batteries. The bill was amended to be a two-year bill and recently passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee on January 22, 2026 with an 11-4 vote. The bill passed the Assembly with a vote of 46-15 on January 29, 2026, and is now headed to the Senate.

SB 501 (Allen) - Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022: covered batteries

This bill was amended to no longer apply to all household hazardous waste (HHW) and instead to fix an issue with another law, the Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022. That law excluded batteries weighing over 5 kilograms or 300 watt-hours from the definition of a covered battery. The bill would remove the exclusions from the definition of a covered battery for a primary battery and a rechargeable battery and categorize all covered batteries as either a small format battery or a medium format battery. This bill would instead require the stewardship plan to describe how the producer or stewardship organization will provide a certain number of collection sites for small format batteries and medium format batteries, as specified. The bill recently passed the Senate Appropriations Committee on January 22, 2026 with a 5-2 vote and ordered to a third reading. Staff will continue to monitor the progress of this bill.

AB 998 (Hadwick) - Household Hazardous Waste: vape pens

This bill was amended in July to evaluate opportunities to increase safety and convenience related to the management and disposal of vape pens confiscated from students by a school. The bill was then referred to the Suspense File in August and has not been re-introduced this legislative session.



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Agenda Request Form

File #: 26-0130

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 5.

Tehama County Recycling Market Development Zone Update

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

Financial Impact:

None

Background Information:

The Agency was awarded \$42,545 in Zone Incentive Funds (ZIF) in February 2025 to promote the Tehama County Recycling Market Development Zone. With these awarded funds the Agency has been able to continue to participate in various events to promote the zone and meet the Agency's goals for FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26. Below is a list of events that the Agency has participated in or supported using ZIF.

Red Bluff-Tehama County Chamber of Commerce Business Summit - March 13, 2025:

Sponsored the Business Summit and had a table displaying the TCRMDZ props and brochures. Interacted with over 20 attendees and gave away several brochures with additional details on the zone.

Sacramento River Discovery Center Spring and Fall Plant Festivals - May 10 and November 1, 2025:

Sponsored the Plant Festivals and had a table displaying the TCRMDZ props, brochures, and compost information. Interacted with over 25 attendees during both events and gave away several brochures on the RMDZ, backyard composting guides, and food scrap pails.

Reuse and Repair Education with the Tehama County Library - currently ongoing:

The Agency, in partnership with California Product Stewardship Council, is currently supporting the Tehama County Library to increase reuse and repair education in Tehama County. Several repair themed events have been hosted at the Red Bluff and Corning branches, and repair kits are currently available to be checked out at those branches. A bicycle repair stand installation and bicycle repair event is still being planned for later this Spring.



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File #: 26-0111

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 6.

Smart Business Alliance Quarterly Update

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

Financial Impact:

None

Background Information:

The Tehama County Smart Business Alliance (SBA) is a voluntary incentive program for Tehama County businesses, non-profits and government entities to engage in waste reduction, reuse and recycling in the workplace. There are currently 95 active members.

Current SBA members, new and existing, are as follows:

- Dandy Lions Children's Shop
- Valley Veterinary Clinic
- Nu Way Market
- Green Waste of Tehama
- The Window & Door Shop
- Oak Park Manor
- Washington Court Senior Living
- Masami Cattle Ranch
- Cabernet Apartments
- Bud's Jolly Cone
- P.A.T.H. Sale House
- Lake California POA
- The Comfort Inn
- Rockin R Restaurant
- Riverview MHC, LLC
- Dale's Carpet & Design
- Corning City Hall/PD
- Sportsman Lodge
- Red Bluff RV Park
- Alsco, Inc
- Gateway MHP
- Island Park MHP
- Villa Roma
- Villa Roma II
- Crown Cleaners
- F.C. Bickert
- Heritage RV Park-Corning
- Green Waste of Tehama-Landfill Admin Office

- SRDC
- Round-Up Saloon
- Red Bluff Library
- Corning Library
- Los Molinos Library
- Red Bluff Chamber
- Red Bluff Round-Up Association
- Red Bluff Bull & Gelding Sale Office
- Prime Cinemas
- Red Bluff Healthcare Center
- Red Bluff Interiors
- Bridgeway Community Church
- Dutch Bros.-Main St.
- Red Bluff Daily News-Office
- Red Bluff Daily News-Warehouse
- Chimney Rock Market
- The Garage
- Carol Mansour-1515 Hwy 99W
- Heart S Ranch
- Brentwood Farms
- P.A.T.H. Winter Shelter
- O'Nite RV Park
- Abbey Ranch
- Tobin & Associates
- Gary's Autobody
- Southridge HOA
- Red Bluff High School
- Main Street Apartments
- Point S Tires/I-5 Tires
- Moule's Tehama County Glass
- High Point Assembly
- Kevin's Donuts
- Hawes Ranch & Farm Supply
- Mill Stream MHP
- Corning RV Park
- Cabinet Specialties
- California Power Holdings
- Collision Pros
- Motel 6
- Elmore Pharmacy
- Red Bluff Gas
- Angela Casler, Sustainability Management Association
- SIP Coffee Bar
- Kimball Crossing Apartments
- Creekside Village Apartments
- Thomas Wilson (2130 Main St)
- Reiter's Bakery

- RET Rentals
- Salado Orchard Apartments
- Northern Permit Services
- Shasta Boxing Club
- Tehama Tire
- Red Bluff Senior Living
- Corning Fire
- Tehama eLearning Academy
- Red Bluff KOA
- Wanda Birdsong (105 Main St.)
- Frank Palermo (Villa Lisa Apts)
- Laine Moore (Sycamore Heights)
- River's Edge RV Park
- Business Connections
- Tehama Together
- Triple R Gas (new)
- River Oaks HOA (new)
- Red Bluff Community Center (new)
- Maywood Women's Club (new)
- Plumas Bank (new)

The SBA program was developed by Agency staff in preparation of Assembly Bill 341, known as the Mandatory Commercial Recycling law. The SBA program fosters a positive relationship between local businesses and the Agency. The SBA provides businesses with recycling options that make financial sense. Agency staff continuously encourage businesses to recycle and have promoted the program to businesses through informational flyer mailings and in-person outreach. By joining the SBA, businesses gain community recognition for their efforts. Partners appreciate the assistance in complying with the Commercial Recycling mandate.

AB 341 requires any California business that generates four or more cubic yards of commercial solid waste per week or is a multi-family dwelling of five or more units to recycle. The law requires local jurisdictions to inform their businesses, public entities, and multi-family complexes of the state mandate to recycle. The SBA program helps the Agency meet its informational requirement and generates diversion data for reporting purposes.

Christian provided indoor recycling containers to all 5 new businesses who signed up for the SBA program and provided further recycling tips through informational flyers and group presentations. Christian will continue to contact local businesses in-person and via phone and e-mail regarding AB 341 and the SBA.



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Agenda Request Form

File #: 26-0112

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 7.

Carpet Recycling Program Update

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

Financial Impact:

None

Background Information:

In 2012, Tehama County and five other rural counties were chosen to be part of a pilot carpet recycling program. Upon implementation, the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill began accepting carpet and pad during normal business hours for recycling. Individuals who self-haul carpet that is segregated from the rest of their load are charged a reduced tipping fee of \$77.86 per ton as compared to \$117.73 per ton for mixed loads.

Since implementation, the Landfill had seen an overall increase in the amount of carpet being recovered for recycling until 2020. Data for 2013-2025 is broken out below:

Year	Total Recovered Carpet/Pad
2013	14.7 tons (29,400 pounds)
2014	42.35 tons (84,700 pounds)
2015	87.3 tons (174,600 pounds)
2016	61.7 tons (123,400 pounds)
2017	48.25 tons (96,500 pounds)
2018	36.17 tons (72,340 pounds)
2019	47.14 tons (94,280 pounds)
2020	80.14 tons (160,280 pounds)
2021	76.55 tons (153,100 pounds)
2022	54.32 tons (108,640 pounds)
2023	26.01 tons (52,020 pounds)
2024	28.45 tons (56,900 pounds)
2025	22.20 tons (44,400 pounds)

The Agency is not exactly sure why recovered carpet tons have decreased since 2020, but there is speculation among industry professionals that installers have been switching to luxury vinyl flooring instead of carpet.



Tehama County

Agenda Request Form

File #: 26-0115

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 8.

Mattress Recycling Law

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

Financial Impact:

None.

Background Information:

California's Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act (enacted in 2013, and amended in 2014 and 2019) requires mattress manufacturers to create a statewide recycling program for mattresses discarded in the state. The Program is funded through an \$11 recycling fee collected from consumers when a mattress or box spring is sold beginning Dec. 30, 2015. The Mattress Recycling Council (MRC) is a non-profit organization established by the mattress industry that has been certified by CalRecycle to develop and administer the Program.

Waste Connections signed an agreement with MRC for the processing of mattresses received at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill. As a result of the agreement, beginning January 1, 2016, mattresses and box springs have been accepted free of charge, resulting in a significant increase in units collected for recycling.

Year	Outbound Mattresses/Box Springs (tons)
2014	132.74
2015	130.37
2016	156.96
2017	175.29
2018	201.81
2019	191.01
2020	188.98
2021	218.33
2022	186.10
2023	173.89
2024	161.13
2025	165.88

Beginning in calendar year 2021, the Agency was able to additionally seek reimbursement for mattresses and box springs that were illegally dumped and cleaned up as part of the Agency's Illegal

Dumping and Litter Abatement Program. A total of 51 mattresses and box springs were cleaned up in 2025. The reimbursement has not yet been received.



Tehama County

Agenda Request Form

File #: 26-0106

Agenda Date: 2/5/2026

Agenda #: 9.

Monthly Update

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes. No further action is required.

Financial Impact:

Background Information:

Included in your agenda packet is the December monthly update. Staff is available to answer any questions.



January 7, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: Directors, Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency

From: Paul Freund, Agency Manager

Subject: December 2025 Monthly Update

1. I continue to provide Green Building Code compliance support to the building departments and monitor and provide support to the cities and the County for paper product procurement.
2. Christian and I attended the ribbon cutting for WM's new compost facility at their Anderson Landfill on December 3. It was a great opportunity to see what they have planned for organics collection and processing in Shasta County and connect with WM staff to discuss potential costs for hauling organics collected in Tehama County.
3. Christian met with Corning Union High School staff on December 3 to go over the Smart Business Alliance (SBA) program and learn more about the high school's current recycling program. The school board approved the application to join the SBA shortly after his meeting. A second meeting is planned for January, during which Christian will be joined by Ashlee from WM to assess their needs for recycling collection bins in the classrooms and administrative office.
4. I promoted safe sharps and medication disposal, as well as proper battery recycling at the Tehama LIFT event held at the fairgrounds on December 5. I spoke with over 34 attendees and other booth vendors, gave out 12 mail-back sharps containers, and several orange battery bags.
5. Christian participated in a recycling audit ride-along with Max from Green Waste on December 8. They engaged residents by providing recycling tips and feedback on their current practices and will meet again to review the collected data to identify opportunities to improve the program and increase diversion rates.
6. Christian attended Good Morning Red Bluff on December 11 to promote the SBA program and provide information on recycling services to local businesses and community members.

7. I virtually attended the Rural Counties' Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA) meeting with Tom Walker at the Agency's office on December 11. During the meeting we learned more about SB 54 and the potential impacts to rural jurisdictions, as well as receiving greater clarification on the AB 1826 exemption ending and the ESJPA's interest in lobbying CalRecycle to extend the exemption.
8. I promoted the Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) program at the Tehama County Library's sewing repair class on December 11. I also gave an interview for a short video being produced to highlight the RMDZ and our partnership with the Library to encourage residents to repair their belongings before replacing them.
9. I was on vacation December 12 and December 19.
10. I attended the RMDZ ZoneWorks virtual meeting on December 16 and learned about new ways to share information and receive assistance for the RMDZ, as well as information on reporting deadlines.
11. Christian and I met with Waste Connections to review their updates to the second diversion sign and provide feedback for the final version. We also discussed the issues they were having with their previous company that had installed the first diversion sign and their plan to install the next sign using their own staff.
12. The Agency's office was closed on December 24 and December 25, while the Landfill was closed on December 25 in observance of the Christmas holiday.
13. The Agency held its monthly meeting with Waste Connections on December 30. We discussed progress on maintenance for the recycling sorting line and methane gas collection system, upcoming scale calibration, and assistance the Sheriff provided for addressing the trespassers coming onsite during the overnight hours. I also discussed plans for the HHW lockers that will be removed from the Corning facility and where they will be staged at the Red Bluff facility.
14. Agency staff contributed waste reduction, recycling and hazardous waste disposal information to the monthly Lake CA POA newsletter and WasteWise News, and produced and distributed the Educators Newsletter.
15. Household hazardous waste collection events will be held from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM on the second Saturday of January in Red Bluff. I am currently working on setting up a meeting with ACTenviro to discuss increasing the event frequency in Red Bluff.

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

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