

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY FULL BOARD (JPA II)



Board Chambers
727 Oak Street
Red Bluff, CA 96080
8:30AM

AGENDA FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 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.

No action may be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by the Government Code Section 54954.2(B). Typically, this applies to items meeting criteria as an off-agenda emergency. The Chair reserves the right to limit each Public Comment speaker to three (3) minutes. Disclosure of a speaker's identity is purely voluntary during the public comment period.

Chair: Kris Deiters

Vice Chair: Tom Walker

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Remote public participation is available in one of the following ways: For audio and real-time commenting via phone: (530) 212-8376, conference code 933876. Press 5* to raise your hand to comment.

For live audio of the meeting: Go to: <https://tehamacounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

4. CONSENT*Minutes***1. Recommended Approval of Minutes [25-2196](#)**

1. Full Board - Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency - October 6, 2025 8:30AM
2. Full Board - Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency - Special - December 1, 2025 8:30 A.M

*Warrant Register***2. Grant-Funded Warrants, October 2025 [25-2125](#)**

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$25,692.51, as presented.

3. Warrants, October 2025 [25-2130](#)

Review and approve the Warrants in the amount of \$121,778.03, as presented.

4. Grant-Funded Warrants, November 2025 [25-2126](#)

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$2,789.12, as presented.

5. Warrants, November 2025 [25-2129](#)

Review and approve the Warrants in the amount of \$36,532.85, as presented.

6. Grant-Funded Warrants, December 2025 [25-2127](#)

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$23,165.95, as presented.

7. Warrants, December 2025 [25-2128](#)

Review and approve the Warrants in the amount of \$32,814.05, as presented.

BUDGET**8. FY 2025/26 Quarterly Budget Update [25-2188](#)**

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

REGULAR - LANDFILL ONLY**9. Elections/Appointment of Executive Committee Members [25-2132](#)**

- a) Elect chair and vice-chair for 2026
- b) Appoint members of the Executive Committee for 2026

- 10. Compost Facility CEQA and Permitting Update** [25-2200](#)
- a) Direct Waste Connections to furnish a construction cost estimate, impact to the tipping fee, and ongoing cost to operate the facility for Board consideration at the April Full Board meeting. Or,
- b) Direct Waste Connections to furnish a cost estimate and impact to the tipping fee for hauling commercial organics to WM's Anderson Landfill compost facility for Board consideration at the April Full Board meeting.
- 11. 2026 Waste Connections Diversion Plan** [25-2199](#)
- Review and approve Waste Connections' proposed 2026 Diversion Plan.
- 12. Alternative MRF Request** [25-2217](#)
- Review and approve the request from Waste Connections to process recyclable materials at an alternative Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) on an "as-needed" basis.
- 13. Old Corrugated Cardboard (OCC) Screen Proposal** [25-2218](#)
- Review and approve Waste Connections recommendation to not proceed with installation of an old corrugated cardboard (OCC) screen at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).
- 14. Landfill Yard Waste Fire Incident Update** [25-2202](#)
- This item is for informational purposes; no action is required.
- 15. Corning Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events** [25-2204](#)
- Confirm direction given to staff at the October Full Board Meeting.
- 16. FY 2025/2026 Goals Update** [25-2187](#)
- This item is for informational purposes only. No further action is required.
- 17. SB 1383 Regulation Review and Update** [25-2190](#)
- This item is for informational purposes, no action is required.
- 18. Outreach Update** [25-2197](#)
- This item is for informational purposes, no action is required.
- 19. Monthly Updates** [25-2206](#)
- This item is for informational purposes only. No further action is required.

Board Matters

Board Matters is an opportunity for one Board member to present a topic to the Board of 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.

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.

This is an Equal Opportunity Program. Discrimination is prohibited by Federal Law. Complaints of discrimination may be filed with the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.



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Agenda Request Form

File #: 25-2196

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 1.

Recommended Approval of Minutes

Requested Action(s)

1. Full Board - Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency - October 6, 2025 8:30AM
2. Full Board - Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency - Special - December 1, 2025 8:30 A.M

Financial Impact:

Background Information:



Chair: Kris Deiters

Vice Chair: Tom Walker

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call.

Meeting was convened at 8:30AM.

Present Director Matt Hansen, Director Pati Nolen, Director J.R. Gonzales, Director Patrick Hurton, Director Jim Bacquet, Director Shelly Hargens, Director Lew Beitz, Director Mark Clement, Director Rob Burroughs, and Director Tom Walker

ABSENT Chairperson Kris Deiters, Director Cody Strock, and Director Greg Jones

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Agency Manager, Paul Freund, reminded the Board of the biennial ethics training requirement. He also highlighted upcoming special events in November and December in collaboration with the County Library and informed the Board of his upcoming time off.

Amanda Garrett, Waste Connections District Manager, updated the Board that the landfill fire has been fully extinguished and noted that a presentation on the incident will be provided at the January meeting. She also introduced Wade Coffee, the new Operations Supervisor.

4. CONSENT

A motion was made by Director Hansen, seconded by Director Gonzales, to APPROVE this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Matt Hansen

SECONDER: J.R. Gonzales

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

ABSTAINED: Director Nolen

Minutes

II)

1. Recommended Approval of Minutes [25-1738](#)

Full Board - Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency - July 7, 2025
8:30AM

Warrant Register**2. Grant-Funded Warrants, September 2025 [25-1647](#)**

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$2,410.40, as presented.

3. Warrants, September 2025 [25-1648](#)

Review and approve the warrants in the amount of \$24,489.96, as presented.

BUDGET**4. FY 2024/2025 Final Budget Update [25-1650](#)**

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

Director Matt Hansen inquired about the negative amount reported under training expenses.

5. FY 2025/26 Quarterly Budget Update [25-1653](#)

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

REGULAR - LANDFILL ONLY**6. 2026 Meeting Schedule [25-1649](#)**

Review and approve the 2026 meeting schedule as presented.

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Pati Nolen

SECONDER: Rob Burroughs

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

7. Pay In Lieu of Vacation/Personal Time Off [25-1651](#)

Approve the compensation of twenty hours of accumulated PTO leave, in lieu of PTO time off with pay prior to the end of 2025.

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Matt Hansen

SECONDER: Pati Nolen

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

8. December 24, 2025 Office Closure Proposal [25-1715](#)

Recommend approval of the closure of the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency office on December 24, 2025.

Vice Chair Tom Walker inquired whether the Agency Office will be open on December 26.

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Pati Nolen

SECONDER: J.R. Gonzales

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

9. Agency Staffing and Structure [25-1655](#)

Provide direction to staff regarding transitioning to an internal staffing structure for the Agency.

Discussion was held to gain a better understanding of the Agency's vision and potential employee changes. Director Matt Hansen recommended continuing with the current process.

10. Household Hazardous Waste Sharps Collection Site Services Agreement [25-1729](#)

Review the agreement between the Agency and Med-Project CA, LLC for the collection and disposal of home-generated sharps waste from the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill and authorize the Agency Manager to sign the agreement

Director J. R. Gonzalez inquired whether there are any issues with the mail-back program. Director Patrick Hurton asked if a list of sharps kiosk locations is available on the Agency's website.

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Pati Nolen

SECONDER: Lew Beitz

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

11. Hazardous Waste Fees Update [25-1734](#)

a) Review and approve the Off-Contract Hazardous Waste Fees, as presented.

b) Review and approve the Updated Hazardous Waste Business Fees, as presented.

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RESULT: APPROVE
MOVER: Matt Hansen
SECONDER: Pati Nolen
AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker
ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

b) Review and approve the Updated Hazardous Waste Business Fees, as presented.

RESULT: APPROVE
MOVER: Matt Hansen
SECONDER: Pati Nolen
AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker
ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

12. Surplus Agency Property (Bus, Forklift, Used Oil Tanks, Paint Can Crusher) [25-1667](#)

- a) Declare the following to be surplus Agency property:
2000 Ford E450 Bus VIN 1FDWE45F6YHA27857 (Asset # 21760)
Caterpillar Forklift Serial Number AT31B50227 (Asset tag # 26130)
Used Oil Storage Tank (Asset tag # 22333)
Used Agricultural Oil Storage Tank (Asset tag # 22541)
Paint Can Crusher (Asset tag # 90036)
b) Authorize the Agency Manager to dispose of the property in the manner that provides the highest possible return to the Agency

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Caterpillar Forklift Serial Number AT31B50227 (Asset tag # 26130)
Used Oil Storage Tank (Asset tag # 22333)
Used Agricultural Oil Storage Tank (Asset tag # 22541)
Paint Can Crusher (Asset tag # 90036)

RESULT: APPROVE
MOVER: Mark Clement
SECONDER: Pati Nolen
AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker
ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

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b) Authorize the Agency Manager to dispose of the property in the manner that provides the highest possible return to the Agency

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Mark Clement

SECONDER: J.R. Gonzales

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

13. Surplus Agency Property (Corning Disposal HHW Facility Fence and Asphalt Pad)

[25-1666](#)

a) Declare the following assets to be surplus Agency property:

Corning Disposal HHW Facility Asphalt Pad (Asset tag # 90034)

Corning Disposal HHW Facility Fence (Asset tag # 90035)

b) Request to adopt a finding that it would be a public benefit to leave the fence and asphalt pad in place

Vice Chair Tom Walker inquired whether the Agency could be held liable for any future cleanups. Director Lew Beitz requested clarification regarding the assets remaining on the property.

a) Declare the following assets to be surplus Agency property:

Corning Disposal HHW Facility Asphalt Pad (Asset tag # 90034)

Corning Disposal HHW Facility Fence (Asset tag # 90035)

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Pati Nolen

SECONDER: Mark Clement

b) Request to adopt a finding that it would be a public benefit to leave the fence and asphalt pad in place

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: J.R. Gonzales

SECONDER: Pati Nolen

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

14. Surplus Agency Property (Scrap Metal)

[25-1665](#)

a) Declare the following asset to be surplus Agency property:

Paint Can Crusher (no asset tag #)

- b) Authorize the Agency Manager to properly recycle the asset.
- a) Declare the following asset to be surplus Agency property:
Paint Can Crusher (no asset tag #)

RESULT: APPROVE
MOVER: Pati Nolen
SECONDER: Mark Clement

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

- b) Authorize the Agency Manager to properly recycle the asset.

RESULT: APPROVE
MOVER: Pati Nolen
SECONDER: Mark Clement

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

15. Surplus Agency Property (E-Waste)

25-1698

- a) Declare the following miscellaneous assets to be surplus Agency property:
SonicWall Firewall serial number 18B169D3B1E0 (asset tag # 30873)
Dell Inspiron 17 Laptop serial number 47JX512 (asset tag # 30871)
Dell Inspiron 17 Laptop serial number 66QK712 (asset tag # 30872)
Dell Inspiron Laptop serial number D9K2DX2 (asset tag # 30876)
Dell Latitude Laptop serial number 816XBT1 (asset tag # 30862)
Dell LCD Monitor serial number CN-0H329N-72872-05H-2GLI (asset tag # 30861)
Dell LCD Monitor serial number DE17502422 (asset tag # 25251)
HP ProDesk 400 GI MT Desktop serial number MXL5323GK1 (no asset tag #)
Dell LCD Monitor serial number CN-04FF47-64180-56J-0XZU (no asset tag #)
- b) Authorize the Agency Manager to properly recycle the assets.
- a) Declare the following miscellaneous assets to be surplus Agency property:
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Dell Inspiron 17 Laptop serial number 47JX512 (asset tag # 30871)
Dell Inspiron 17 Laptop serial number 66QK712 (asset tag # 30872)
Dell Inspiron Laptop serial number D9K2DX2 (asset tag # 30876)
Dell Latitude Laptop serial number 816XBT1 (asset tag # 30862)
Dell LCD Monitor serial number CN-0H329N-72872-05H-2GLI (asset tag # 30861)
Dell LCD Monitor serial number DE17502422 (asset tag # 25251)
HP ProDesk 400 GI MT Desktop serial number MXL5323GK1 (no asset tag #)

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Dell LCD Monitor serial number CN-04FF47-64180-56J-0XZU (no asset tag #)

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Pati Nolen

SECONDER: Mark Clement

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

b) Authorize the Agency Manager to properly recycle the assets.

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Pati Nolen

SECONDER: Mark Clement

AYES: Director Hansen, Director Nolen, Director Gonzales, Director Hurton, Director Bacquet, Director Hargens, Director Beitz, Director Clement, Director Burroughs, and Director Walker

ABSENT: Chairperson Deiters, Director Strock, and Director Jones

16. Compost Facility CEQA and Permitting Update

[25-1681](#)

Provide direction to staff on construction and operation of a composting facility at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill

Director Matt Hansen requested further clarification regarding proposed changes to current yard waste operations, associated costs, and exemptions.

17. Corning Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

[25-1717](#)

Provide direction to staff on continuing to identify property in the Corning/southern Tehama County area for a permanent household hazardous waste collection facility or explore ways to expand operations at the Red Bluff facility.

The Board and the Agency Manager discussed the utilization of the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) events and considered potential solutions, including adjustments to event frequency. Vice Chair Tom Walker suggested discontinuing the temporary programs in the City of Corning if community participation continues to remain low.

18. Outreach Update

[25-1727](#)

This item is for informational purposes, no action is required.

19. Monthly Update

[25-1654](#)

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

Board Matters

There were no Board Matters brought up.

The meeting adjourned at 10:24AM

Approved By _____
Chair - Kris Deiters
Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency Full Board

By _____
Recording Secretary



Special Meeting

Chair: Kris Deiters

Vice Chair: Tom Walker

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:31AM.

Present	Chairperson Kris Deiters, Director Matt Hansen, Director J.R. Gonzales, Director Patrick Hurton, Director Jim Bacquet, Director Shelly Hargens, Director Lew Beitz, Director Mark Clement, Director Greg Jones, Director Rob Burroughs, and Director Tom Walker
ABSENT	Director Cody Strock

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Agency Manager, Paul Freund, provided details on upcoming events that the Agency is participating in and reminded the Board of the Executive Committee meeting cancellation.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened Closed Session at 8:35AM.

1. Closed Session

[25-2049](#)

a) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency designated representatives: Agency Manager Paul Freund

Employee Organization: Joint Council of International Union of
Operating Engineers, Local 39

REPORTABLE ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned Closed Session at 9:10AM. No reportable actions, direction provided to staff.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 9:10AM.

Approved by: _____
Chair - Kris Deiters

By _____
Recording Secretary



Tehama County

Agenda Request Form

File #: 25-2125

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 2.

Grant-Funded Warrants, October 2025

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$25,692.51, as presented.

Financial Impact:

As listed.

Background Information:

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

MEETING AGENDA ITEM

Thursday, November 6, 2025

Grant Expense

504

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

	Yes -	<u>\$ 25,692.51</u>		
09/25/25	DEER CREEK BROADCASTING	1,500.00	YOU TUBE, FACEBOOK, DIGITAL DISPLAY	4725-00013-0001
09/25/25	TOWN SQUARE	895.00	ADVERTISEMENT	350334
09/25/25	FARM BUREAU NEWS	55.00	SEPTEMBER AD	SEPTAD
10/01/25	SURE-CLOSE INC	3,570.00	COMPOST BINS	3367
10/16/25	WASTE TIRE PRODUCTS	4,455.00	PASSENGERS TIRES	21671
	Sub Total	\$ 10,475.00		
	PAUL	\$ 4,177.35	25-Aug	
	CHRISTIAN	\$ 5,603.59	25-Aug	
	PAUL	\$ 3,464.94	25-Sep	
	CHRISTIAN	\$ 1,971.63	25-Sep	
	Sub Total -GRANT HOURS	\$ 15,217.51		

Respectfully Submitted,



Tehama County

Agenda Request Form

File #: 25-2130

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 3.

Warrants, October 2025

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the Warrants in the amount of \$121,778.03, as presented.

Financial Impact:

As listed.

Background Information:

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEM

Thursday, November 6, 2025

4045

Issue: Warrants Backup: Yes

Petitioner: Paul Freund Clerk Ref. #:

Recommendation: Approve Warrants as Presented

FISCAL IMPACT:

Yes - \$ 121,778.03

BACKGROUND:

ADMIN SERVICES	\$ 94,934.41	10/1/25-10/31/25	
9/25/2025 CINTAS FIRE PROTECTION	213.00	24HR FIRE ALARM OCT-DEC	51R-47
9/25/2025 APEX	122.46	AUGUST MONTHLY BILLING	TS1365490
9/25/2025 APEX	122.46	SEPTEMBER MONTHLY BILLING	TS1365605
9/25/2025 PGE	676.58	8/5/25-9/3/25	5899-10925
9/25/2025 COPY CENTER	118.76	BUSINESS CARDS	24566
10/1/2025 MOORE & BOGENER Inc	723.60	TELEPHONE/CORRESPOND/REVIEW	16564
10/1/2025 WORLD TELECOM	93.75	LABOR	28277
10/1/2025 ULTIMATE BUILDING MAINTENANCE	475.00	Sep-25	19229
10/7/2025 CA PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL	1,500.00	CPSC ASSOCIATE FEES	FY26-050-AF
10/7/2025 ALLIANT INSURANCE	10,781.20	9/29/25-6/30/26	90522
10/7/2025 ATT	186.47	7/12/25-9/11/25	24047727
10/7/2025 PATI NOLEN	100.00	9/4/25 BOARD MTG	9/4/25 BOARD MTG
10/7/2025 TOM WALKER	100.00	9/4/25 BOARD MTG	9/4/25 BOARD MTG
10/7/2025 KRIS DEITERS	100.00	9/4/25 BOARD MTG	9/4/25 BOARD MTG
10/8/2025 WILGUS FIRE	800.75	SYSTEM INSPECTION	35822
10/8/2025 WILGUS FIRE	838.38	HAZMAT BOOTH	35823
10/8/2025 HUNT & SONS	142.57	FUEL	591612
10/8/2025 TC LOCK	90.47	50990.217 PUSH IN SHOWSAFE 1K	52462
10/10/2025 APEX	122.46	OCTOBER MONTHLY BILLING	TS1365766
10/10/2025 APEX	25.00	DOMAIN NAME	RS1365660
10/10/2025 GREENWASTE	2,126.36	MIXED LOADS	9886
10/16/2025 TC TAX COLLECTOR	295.54	25/26 PROPERTY TAX	024010059520-26
10/16/2025 TC TAX COLLECTOR	300.84	25/26 PROPERTY TAX	024010060520-26
10/16/2025 MATT HANSEN	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 PATI NOLEN	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 JR GONZALES	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 PAT HURTON	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 JAMES BACQUET	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 SHELLY HARGENS	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 LEWIS BEITZ	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 M CLEMENT	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 ROB BURROUGHS	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
10/16/2025 TOM WALKER	100.00	OCTOBER BOARD MTG	OCTBOARDMTG
9/23/2025 ADMIN	5,753.25	1ST QTR ADMIN COSTS	J402508
9/25/2025 PAUL FREUND	34.72	HHW EVENT	MILEAGE
Grand Total	\$ 121,778.03		

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Freund, Solid Waste Management Agency Manager



Tehama County

Agenda Request Form

File #: 25-2126

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 4.

Grant-Funded Warrants, November 2025

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$2,789.12, as presented.

Financial Impact:

As listed.

Background Information:

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

MEETING AGENDA ITEM

Thursday, December 4, 2025

Grant Expense

504

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

Yes -		\$ 2,789.12	
10/29/25	CALCARD	40.32	FOOD SCALE
10/29/25	CALCARD	1,058.02	SHELVES
11/13/25	PAUL FREUND	80.78	MILEAGE HAZWOPER 11/9/25
11/06/25	DEER CREEK BROADCASTING	1,500.00	YOU TUBE, FACEBOOK, DIGITAL DISPLAY 4725-00013-0002
11/06/25	FARM BUREAU NEWS	55.00	OCTOBER AD OCTAD
11/21/25	FARM BUREAU NEWS	55.00	NOVEMBER AD NOVAD
Sub Total		\$ 2,789.12	

Respectfully Submitted,



Tehama County

Agenda Request Form

File #: 25-2129

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 5.

Warrants, November 2025

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the Warrants in the amount of \$36,532.85, as presented.

Financial Impact:

As listed.

Background Information:

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEM

Thursday, December 4, 2025

4045

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

Yes -	\$	36,532.85
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BACKGROUND:

ADMIN SERVICES	\$ 25,361.71	11/1/25-11/30/25	
11/4/2025 INSURANCE	613.25	25% INSURANCE	J403393
11/6/2025 ULTIMATE BUILDING MAINTENANCE	475.00	OCT 25	19363
11/13/2025 MOORE & BOGENER	1,105.50	TELEPHONE/CORRESPOND/REVIEW	16674
11/13/2025 CITY OF RED BLUFF	101.96	PROPERTY TAXES	6416
10/29/2025 CALCARD	164.29	HOME DEPOT-LOCK/TRAILER ITEMS	J403237
11/6/2025 WASTE MANAGEMENT	136.96	4 YARD INSTA BINS	126094-0533-2
11/13/2025 HUNT & SONS	109.51	FUEL	729352
11/13/2025 CINTAS FIRE PROTECTION	145.00	SPRINKLERS	51R-472
11/13/2025 ATT	95.28	9/12/25-10/11/25	24214515
11/13/2025 PGE	389.72	9/4/25-10/2/25	5899-102025
11/21/2025 HUNT & SONS	101.55	FUEL	825002
11/24/2025 AB109 AUTOSHOP	68.27	CABIN AIR FILTER	2536
11/24/2025 AB109 AUTOSHOP	60.89	CABIN AIR FILTER	2534
10/30/2025 FACILITY MAINTENANCE	19.35	FILTERS	F-2510-19
11/17/2025 CHRISTIAN GARCIA	160.18	RAIN COAT	CS-3013857
10/29/2025 AUDITOR'S OFFICE	1,671.18	1ST QTR BILLING	J403224
11/4/2025 ADMIN	5,753.25	2ND QTR BILLING	J403381
	\$ 36,532.85		

Grand Total

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Freund, Solid Waste Management Agency Manager



Tehama County

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File #: 25-2127

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 6.

Grant-Funded Warrants, December 2025

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the Grant-Funded Warrants in the amount of \$23,165.95, as presented.

Financial Impact:

As listed.

Background Information:

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

MEETING AGENDA ITEM

Grant Expense

504

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

	Yes -	<u>\$ 23,165.95</u>		.
12/15/25	CALCARD	1,502.85	FRIDGE	J403868
12/15/25	CALCARD	1,570.83	COMPOSTERS	J403868
11/25/25	SACRAMENTO RIVER DISCOVER	2,000.00	SRDC PLANT SALE	45
11/25/25	ANTELOPE SELF STORAGE	1,250.00	STORAGE UNIT 092, 11/1/25-06/30/26	45509
12/04/25	DEER CREEK BROADCASTING	1,500.00	YOU TUBE, FACEBOOK, DIGITAL DISPLAY	4725-00013-0003
12/04/25	SWEETSER && ASSOCIATES	800.00	HAZWOPER TRAINING	2370
12/04/25	ADVANCED CHEMICAL TRANSP	280.00	OIL	INV-003016
12/18/25	CALCARD	45.13	TRACTOR SUPPLY	J403989

Sub Total **\$ 8,948.81**

12/11/25	PAUL	\$ 4,177.34	25-Oct
12/11/25	CHRISTIAN	\$ 2,672.08	25-Oct
12/18/25	PAUL	\$ 4,565.93	25-Nov
12/18/25	CHRISTIAN	\$ 2,801.79	25-Nov
	Sub Total -GRANT HOURS	\$ 14,217.14	

Respectfully Submitted,



Tehama County

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File #: 25-2128

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 7.

Warrants, December 2025

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the Warrants in the amount of \$32,814.05, as presented.

Financial Impact:

As listed.

Background Information:

TEHAMA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEM

4045

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

Yes - \$ **32,814.05**

BACKGROUND:

ADMIN SERVICES	\$ 19,945.94
11/25/2025 GREENWASTE	1,648.65
12/4/2025 AMAZON	12.22
12/4/2025 AMAZON	9.64
12/4/2025 ADVANCED CHEMICAL TRANSPORT	5,105.88
12/4/2025 ULTIMATE BUILDING MAINTENANCE	475.00
12/4/2025 HUNT & SONS	33.42
12/4/2025 APEX	148.28
12/4/2025 WASTE MANAGEMENT	136.96
12/4/2025 PGE	276.11
12/4/2025 MOORE & BOGENER	301.50
12/11/2025 ATT	96.46
12/12/2025 NAPA	40.00
12/18/2025 TOM WALKER	100.00
12/18/2025 KRIS DEITERS	100.00
12/18/2025 MATT HANSEN	100.00
12/18/2025 JR GONZALES	100.00
12/18/2025 PAT HURTON	100.00
12/18/2025 JAMES BACQUET	100.00
12/18/2025 SHELLY HARGENS	100.00
12/18/2025 LEWIS BEITZ	100.00
12/18/2025 M CLEMENT	100.00
12/18/2025 ROB BURROUGHS	100.00
12/19/2025 TC MOSQUITO AND VECTOR	114.08
12/18/2025 CALCARD	375.54
12/18/2025 CALCARD	30.00
12/18/2025 GREENWASTE	2,737.54
12/18/2025 CINTAS	213.00
12/18/2025 CA RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT	100.00
12/24/2025 REIMBURSE MEAL	13.83
	\$ 32,814.05

12/1/25-12/31/25	
MIXED LOADS	9930
BATTERY PACK	63033896718603
BATTERY	51313216339417
LABOR/MATERIALS	INV-003016
NOV 25	19490
FUEL	852694
NOV 25	TS1366157
INSTA BINS	1263205-0533-5
10/3/25-11/3/25	5899-110425
TELEPHONE/CORRESPOND/REVIEW	16781
10/12/25-11/11/25	24361308
SMOG	63641
DECEMBER BOARD MEETING	DEC BOARD MTG
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DECEMBER BOARD MEETING	DEC BOARD MTG
2025-2026 ASSESSMENT	VARIOUS PARCEL #
OREILLY/HD/HARBOR	J403988
SPT PARKING	J403982
MIXED LOADS	9979
FIRE ALARM MONITORING JAN-MAR	51R-942
MEMBERSHIP JAN-JUN 2026	2025-01
01260DP-MEAL REIMBURSEMENT GRS	AL REIMBURSEMENT GRS

Grand Total
Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Freund, Solid Waste Management Agency Manager



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File #: 25-2188

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 8.

FY 2025/26 Quarterly Budget Update

Requested Action(s)

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

Financial Impact:

Background Information:

Attached is a spreadsheet providing a summary of second quarter revenues and expenditures as of December 22, 2025.

Income

The FY 2025/2026 budget utilizes the following revenue sources and is expected to result in a contingency of \$43,854.83 (4.57%):

- Interest (440300) income is relative to federal interest rates. Pursuant to the guidance provided by the Tehama County Auditor-Controller for the purposes of budgeting interest income, interest revenue is predicted to yield approximately 2% for FY 2025/2026.
- Gate Fees (461001), which are budgeted based on a flat monthly fee of \$70,000 per month for FY 2025/2026, represent five months of gate fee revenues.
- Hazardous Waste Fees (461005) represents HHW business fees, donations made to the used oil collection facility (ABOPS) and Ag Oil Facility, fees for load check waste from Waste Connections and the first quarter PaintCare reimbursement for our REAP paint reuse program.
- Miscellaneous Revenue (471120) generally includes grazing lease fees, and other small amounts of revenue.
- Interfund Revenue (461070) is reimbursed labor costs for grant-related work.
- Fund Balance Available (301900) income utilizes available funds from previous fiscal years as a funding source.

Expenses

Expenses are projected as described below.

- Salary/Wages (510100), PERS (510200), OASDI (510210), Group Insurance (510300), and Unemployment Insurance (510310) take into consideration normal step increases at anniversary dates and the recruitment of an Organic Materials Program Coordinator.
- Pay in Lieu/Misc Payouts (51015) includes payment for accrued vacation or Personal Time Off.

- PERS Unfunded Liability and ADP Misc PERS Unfunded are the Agency's portion of the PERS unfunded liability, currently at \$48,469.14 for FY 2025/26, and an additional discretionary payment to pay down the unfunded PERS loan balance faster.
- Workers Compensation (510400) rates are expected to decrease slightly.
- Property, Crime, Liability, and Pollution Insurance (531500) includes payment of crime, liability and pollution coverage.
- Maintenance of Equipment (53170) includes typical maintenance of equipment.
- Maintenance Structures-Improvement of Grounds (53180) takes into consideration the cost of maintaining the fire suppression systems at the Agency's two Household Hazardous Waste facilities.
- Membership and Dues (53200) includes membership to the Rural Counties' Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority, California Association of Recycling Market Development Zones, California Product Stewardship Council, and Solid Waste Association of North America.
- Misc Expense (53210) is budgeted at \$16,000. This expense account is utilized for Board per diem compensation for meeting attendance.
- Office Expense includes typical office supplies.
- Professional/Special Services (53230) is budgeted for \$90,246. Expenses to be funded through current year gate fees include attorney fees, independent audit costs, use of personnel at the Tehama County Auditor-Controller's office for various accounting services, an administrative fee pursuant to the agreement between the Agency and the County, engineering assistance to assess a new site for the Corning HHW facility, and janitorial services. Below is an itemized breakout of budgeted expenses:

	FY 25/26	As of 12/22/25
Attorney Fees	\$15,000	\$3,095.40
Accounting Services Agreement	\$10,000	\$1,671.18
Administration Fees	\$24,246	\$11,506.50
Audit	\$23,000	\$0.00
Lawrence & Associates	\$10,000	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$2,000	\$0.00
Janitorial Services	\$6,000	\$1,900.00
Total	\$90,246	\$18,173.08

- Employee Travel/Training (53290) and Transportation (53291) have remained similar to previous fiscal years and include typical travel, training, and fuel costs.
- Utilities (53300) reflect anticipated costs for PG&E, Hue & Cry, and fire alarm maintenance, monitoring and testing.
- Hazardous Waste Disposal (558007) is budgeted at \$160,000. The Agency is still waiting on several invoices from our contractor. Greater details on these expenses will be known by the April Full Board meeting.
- Litter Abatement/Illegal Dumping funds illegal dumping on public roads outside of Baker and Plymire including Public Works illegal dumping clean-up costs throughout Tehama County, PATH encampment cleanups on public property, and AB 109 illegal dumping clean-up costs in the community.

As of December 22, 2025, revenues exceed expenditures by \$133,750.02. Income is 46.67% of projected revenue for the year. Expenditures are 34.31% of projected expenditures for the year. The retained earnings balance will be reported on at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Freund
Agency Manager

FY 2025/2026 Approved Budget			
Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency			
Fund 220 - 4045	Approved FY 25/26 Budget	As of 12/22/2025	As a Percentage
Income			
440300 - Interest	20,000.00	56,477.08	282.39%
461001 - Gate Fees	840,000.00	350,000.00	41.67%
461005 - Hazardous Waste Fees	8,000.00	4,660.20	58.25%
471120 - Misc. Revenue	2,234.00	2,234.70	100.03%
461070 - Interfund Revenue	30,000.00	34,743.52	115.81%
301900 - Fund Balance Available	60,000.00	0.00	0.00%
Total Income	960,234.00	448,115.50	46.67%
Expenses			
51010 - Salary & Wages	256,142.56	80,287.91	31.35%
51011 - Extra Help	0.00	0.00	0.00%
51012 - Overtime Compensation	500.00	150.89	30.18%
51015 - Pay in Lieu/Misc Payouts	1,022.20	1,022.22	100.00%
51022 - PERS Unfunded Liability	48,469.14	48,469.14	100.00%
51024 - ADP Misc PERS Unfunded	14,245.07	14,245.07	100.00%
51020 - PERS Retirement	24,996.41	7,832.44	31.33%
51021 - OASDI	19,968.39	6,202.39	31.06%
51030 - Group Insurance	76,592.74	23,209.92	30.30%
51031 - Unemployment Insurance	515.33	163.98	31.82%
51040 - Workers Compensation	19,932.33	8,628.68	43.29%
51050 - Deferred Comp Match	4,800.00	542.86	11.31%
53120 - Communications	4,895.00	1,903.32	38.88%
53150 - Insurance	80,000.00	66,045.06	82.56%
53170 - Maintenance of Equip	10,000.00	3,512.00	35.12%
53180 - Maint. Struct-Imprv Grounds	6,000.00	382.70	6.38%
53200 - Membership & Dues	7,650.00	7,508.75	98.15%
53210 - Misc Expense	16,000.00	3,100.00	19.38%
53220 - Office Expense	5,000.00	217.85	4.36%
53230 - Professional/Special Services*	90,246.00	18,173.08	20.14%
53240 - Publication/Legal Notices	1,000.00	0.00	0.00%
53280 - Special Departmental Expense	10,000.00	2,064.69	20.65%
53290 - Employee Travel/Training Expense	3,000.00	134.65	4.49%
53291 - Transportation	2,000.00	467.67	23.38%
53300 - Utilities	10,080.00	2,308.77	22.90%
53800 - Internal Assets	3,324.00	0.00	0.00%
55048 - Taxes and Assessments	2,000.00	1,690.42	84.52%
558007 - Hazardous Waste Disposal	160,000.00	5,105.88	3.19%
558008 - Litter Abatement/Illegal Dumping	38,000.00	10,995.14	28.93%
57603 - Computers	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Total Operating Budget	916,379.17	314,365.48	34.31%
Contingency	43,854.83	133,750.02	
Contingency (based on percent income)	4.57%	29.85%	



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File #: 25-2132

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 9.

Elections/Appointment of Executive Committee Members

Requested Action(s)

- a) Elect chair and vice-chair for 2026
- b) Appoint members of the Executive Committee for 2026

Financial Impact:

None.

Background Information:

The by-laws require two members of the Red Bluff City Council and the Board of Supervisors each be appointed to sit on the Executive Committee, joining the City of Corning and the City of Tehama. While not required, typically the District 2 Supervisor is among the Board of Supervisors appointees, as the Landfill resides in that district.

Additionally, the chair and vice-chair are elected, both of which must sit on the Executive Committee. The current chair is Kris Deiters and vice-chair is Tom Walker.

The joint powers agreement was amended in 2016 so as to allow the public member at-large to be elected chair or vice chair; in such instances, the Executive Committee would be expanded to seven members for one year.

Executive Committee members at the close of 2025 were Shelly Hargens, Jim Bacquet, Tom Walker, J.R. Gonzales and Kris Deiters.



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File #: 25-2200

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 10.

Compost Facility CEQA and Permitting Update

Requested Action(s)

- a) Direct Waste Connections to furnish a construction cost estimate, impact to the tipping fee, and ongoing cost to operate the facility for Board consideration at the April Full Board meeting. Or,
- b) Direct Waste Connections to furnish a cost estimate and impact to the tipping fee for hauling commercial organics to WM's Anderson Landfill compost facility for Board consideration at the April Full Board meeting.

Financial Impact:

Background Information:

At the October 4, 2021 Board of Directors meeting the Agency Manager was given authorization to begin a feasibility study and start the CEQA process for a proposed compost facility at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill. At that time the exemption from implementing the majority of California Senate Bill 1383 (Lara) and all of California Assembly Bil 1826 (Chesbro) regulations would have ended on January 1, 2027. Additionally, there were no composting facilities within a feasible distance for Tehama County's waste to be hauled to, except for a proposed project at the Anderson Landfill owned by WM.

The Agency contracted engineering services with Lawrence & Associates (L&A), who have extensive experience with the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill. Beginning in January 2022 and continuing through August 2024, L&A conducted the required geologic and engineering field studies for the proposed compost facility. In November 2024, L&A submitted the Report of Compost Site Information (RCSI), Compost Site Technical Report, and revised Joint Technical Document (JTD) to the Agency and Waste Connections for review and approval. After receiving comments from the Agency and Waste Connections, the documents were submitted to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB), CalRecycle, and Tehama County Department of Environmental Health for review in January 2025.

In April 2025, Environmental Health held a Public Information Meeting at the Agency's office for the proposed compost facility and increases to traffic, however, no members of the public attended the meeting.

On July 17, 2025, CalRecycle provided their concurrence on the issuance of the Revised Solid Waste Facilities Permit which included the addition of the compost facility. The CVRWQCB provided their Notice of Applicability on August 5, 2025, which was the final step to being fully permitted to construct and operate a compost facility at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill. A filing fee of \$8,431 was required for issuance of the NOA and covered the first year permitted by it. The Agency will be

required to pay an annual fee, currently undetermined, until the NOA is officially terminated regardless of whether we construct and operate a facility.

The Agency was able to offset significant costs in fiscal years 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 associated with the permitting process through funding from the SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant. It is not known if grant funding would be available in the future to offset costs associated with constructing the compost facility.

California Assembly Bill 2902 (Wood) passed in August 2024 and was signed by the Governor on September 22, 2024. This bill extends the rural exemption in SB 1383 until January 1, 2037, or until a county granted a rural exemption reaches a population of 70,000 people. This bill does not address AB 1826, which applies only to commercial organic waste generators, and clarification from CalRecycle was sought by Agency staff. CalRecycle has indicated that the Agency's member jurisdictions will have to comply with AB 1826 come January 1, 2027. Agency staff have presented our concerns with implementing AB 1826 at several RCRC ESJPA meetings since AB 2902 was signed and the ESJPA staff have said that AB 1826 exemptions can be extended by CalRecycle without legislative action. We will be working with the ESJPA to lobby CalRecycle to extend the exemption to be in line with SB 1383, but this is not guaranteed.

Currently, the franchise hauling agreements for each member jurisdiction do not include commercial organics collection service and will have to be amended to address this. AB 1826 also requires that all organic waste, including food scraps, be collected from commercial entities that produce two cubic yards or more of waste per week. Waivers can be granted for commercial entities that do not produce more than a half cubic yard of all organic waste per week, and staff are currently determining how many businesses this can apply to.

The Board of Directors will need to determine if the Agency should provide direction to the Landfill Operator, Waste Connections, to furnish a construction cost estimate, impact to the tipping fee, and ongoing cost to operate the facility for Board consideration at the April Full Board meeting. Alternatively, the compost facility at WM's Anderson Landfill has begun operations. Their tipping fees for commercial organics currently are the same price they charge for commercial trash, \$74.07 per ton plus an 18.9% energy surcharge. The Board could direct Waste Connections to furnish a cost estimate and impact to the tipping fee for hauling commercial organics to WM's Anderson Landfill compost facility, like how treated wood is currently handled, for Board consideration at the April Full Board meeting.

Staff are asking the Board to provide direction on either of those proposals.



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File #: 25-2199

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 11.

2026 Waste Connections Diversion Plan

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve Waste Connections' proposed 2026 Diversion Plan.

Financial Impact:

None.

Background Information:

Per Section 4.G.14 of the Landfill and MRF Operations Agreement Waste Connections will develop and implement a Diversion Plan, which shall be subject to Agency approval, identifying its means to increase the amount of materials recycled by weight on a per capita basis by two (2) percent annually. Upon approval by the Agency, Waste Connections shall implement recycling programs identified.

Waste Connections submitted its Diversion Plan on December 18, 2025.

Waste Connections staff will present the plan for Board consideration.



GREEN WASTE OF TEHAMA,
A WASTE CONNECTIONS COMPANY

December 18, 2025

Mr. Paul Freund
Tehama County Landfill Agency Manager
20000 Plymire Road
Red Bluff, CA 96080

RE: Diversion Plan 2026

Dear Mr. Paul Freund:

According to the agreement between the Tehama County/City of Red Bluff Landfill Management Agency and Waste Connections of California, Inc., and Madera Disposal Systems, Inc. (WCI), Section 4.G.14 states, WCI must develop and implement a Diversion Plan which focuses on efforts to maximize recyclable material processing, marketing, reuse and diversion of all recyclable materials we receive.

We had originally intended to extend our diversion plans beyond a single year, but we've found that creating annual plans allows us to pivot and adjust our approach each year rather than making changes only once a decade. This flexibility helps us stay relevant and responsive to the needs of our customers. Our proposed diversion plan for 2026 is attached, outlining the established practices we use to meet our annual diversion goal while building on some of the new programs we have introduced in the past two years.

We look forward to continuing to provide our services to the residents of Tehama County and being the City and County's partner for many years to come.

Respectfully Submitted,

Max Bartlett
Sustainability Coordinator
Waste Connections of CA Inc.



TEHAMA COUNTY/CITY OF RED BLUFF LANDFILL DIVERSION PLAN 2026

According to the agreement between the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency (TCSWMA) and, Waste Connections of California, Inc., and Madera Disposal Systems, Inc. (WCI), Section 4.G.14, WCI must develop and implement a Diversion Plan which focuses on efforts to maximize recyclable material processing, marketing, reuse and diversion of all recyclable materials we receive.

Our goal is to continue to extend the life of the landfill, to be good stewards of this resource, and to be compliant with the contract terms and conditions. At a minimum, WCI shall recycle the following recyclable materials for diversion: newspaper, mixed paper, glass jars and bottles, cans (aluminum bi-metal and tin), telephone books, magazines, cardboard, chipboard, aluminum foil and trays, aerosol cans, scrap metal, plastic containers #1-7, plastic bags, tires, automotive batteries, water-based paint, used motor oil, automotive oil filters, agricultural plastic, mattresses and box springs, alkaline and rechargeable batteries, and carpet.

This diversion plan explains the current processes, marketing, and planned programs for added diversion in year three. These operational processes have been developed by analyzing the data gathered during the first two years of this contract. The current system is built on a strong operational foundation, with refinement coming from new data. We are confident we will continue to produce sufficient diversion to achieve our 2% annual increase in diversion. For year three (2026), our set goal is 7,286 annual tons.

After detailing the current systems, this document concludes with the areas of extra emphasis for year three. The focus of these additional programs will be data collection, reuse, and education. The goal is to build on the success of our active diversion efforts by promoting practical reuse and creating meaningful educational opportunities that connect residents to the value of these processes.

CURRENT PROGRAM

The following describes the current processes in place to sort and divert different commodities from the self-haul pad, landfill and material recovery facility (MRF). Our current practices now provide the baseline that we use to meet our diversion goals.

I. SELF-HAUL AREA

We recognize most of our increase in diversion will be here at the self-haul pad. This is where diversion will be impacted the most, and this is where we will focus our efforts. The majority of our self-haul customers are sent to this area, which enables us to divert materials that would otherwise be directly landfilled.

Most customers are directed to the self-haul area to dispose of their unwanted materials. Our employees direct the customer where to unload and assess what kind of material they are disposing of. The self-haul pad attendant directs the customer where to unload yard waste/wood waste, concrete, tile, asphalt, appliances, mattresses/box-springs, electronic waste, and carpet.

Our employees currently pull the following items from mixed trash loads:

- **Cardboard**
- **Rigid Plastic**
- **Mixed Recycling (plastic beverage containers, aluminum, paper, etc.)**
- **Metal**
- **Electronic Waste**
- **Carpet**
- **Wood**
- **Books**
- **Any Unacceptable Materials**

To facilitate metal recycling, appliances are staged north of the MRF, awaiting processing. Once processed, these appliances are stockpiled with other metals to be loaded once a full load is ready.

Carpet, mattresses, and box springs are loaded into staged trailers awaiting transport. Once a full load is accumulated, they are shipped to off-site markets.

Tires found in either self-haul loads or in the landfill are relocated to a stockpile located north of the MRF. Tires are removed weekly by a third-party vendor.

Rigid and agricultural plastic, pesticide, and fertilizer containers are segregated and staged in a 40 cubic yard container until there is enough to process. These containers are accepted free of charge if brought in separately from other trash and are required to be triple-rinsed.

Books are now pulled from the pad for either reuse in the swap shop or to be diverted to mixed paper recycling.

The “external” recycling bin program has been a success and will continue to make recycling as easy as possible for the residents of the county. WCI will continue to place three bins before the scale house for: mixed recycling, metal, and clothing. Although there are contamination challenges with these bins, the overall response and utilization outweigh any additional sorting labor on WCI’s part.

II. LANDFILL

Safety is our #1 Operating Value. As we ask our employees to pull items from the active face, we will not jeopardize safety.

Commercial haulers are the customers who are directed to dump at the active face. Such haulers include: Green Waste of Tehama, Waste Management, Sierra Pacific, other commercial traffic, and some self-haul customers with commercial motorized dump trailers. Currently, landfill operators pull the following items out of the waste stream and stage them separately for diversion:

- **Mattresses/Box Springs**
- **Tires**
- **Metal**

- **Wood Waste**
- **Electronic Wastes**
- **Any Unacceptable Materials**

Additionally, roofing, construction and demolition (C&D) materials are separated at the tipping pad and used as alternative daily cover.

III. MRF

Co-mingled recyclables enter the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) from the City and County's designated haulers. There are two sorting piles, one dedicated to residential single stream and the other to commercial single stream. Recyclable materials can be found in loads brought to the landfill and the self-haul pad. In either location, all co-mingled recyclables are processed in the MRF.

We deploy six sorters to process the residential single-stream materials first, and then process the commercial single-stream material. The sort line has multiple stations. Sorters are positioned at each station based on the materials to be pulled and are responsible for sorting one or more specific items. These materials are pulled off the sorting belt and dropped into a container below. As the containers reach capacity, the processed material is stockpiled in bins or on the MRF floor until there is sufficient material to produce one bale. A final inspection for contaminants is performed before baling the material.

We currently process the following materials on the sort lines: newspaper, mixed paper, glass jars and bottles, cans (aluminum bi-metal and tin), telephone books, magazines, cardboard, chipboard, aluminum foil and trays, aerosol cans, scrap metal, plastic containers #1-7, plastic bags, agricultural plastic, and alkaline and rechargeable batteries.

YEAR THREE PROPOSED PROGRAMS

MRF WASTE CHARACTERIZATION

In 2026, WCI plans to conduct a waste characterization study focused on the catch bins located at the end of the MRF sort line. This fact-finding effort is designed to explore whether additional diversion opportunities exist by examining the types of materials that make it through the sorting process. The characterizations will serve a dual purpose: providing operations with data to evaluate and refine current practices, while also equipping the sustainability team with targeted information to support future outreach and education efforts.

SWAP SHOP

In 2025, the Swap Shop program matured into a more structured and effective reuse initiative. Building on the success of its 2024 launch, Waste Connections implemented all planned upgrades, transforming the shop into a reliable resource for Tehama County residents.

Key improvements in 2025 included installing a verified scale for accurate weight tracking, introducing a standardized sign-in sheet modeled after the paint program, enhancing visibility through clear signage and social media outreach, refining the collection system for reusable construction materials, and exploring the potential for residents to directly contribute lightly used items, laying the groundwork for future expansion.

On designated swap days, customers enter the shop, browse available items, and select what they'd like to take. Before removal, each item is weighed using the dedicated shop scale. These weights are recorded and categorized under "reuse," with Swap Shop-specific tracking to evaluate the program's effectiveness.

Leadership of the project transitioned to the Operations Supervisor, whose oversight was instrumental in achieving the 2025 goals. Thanks to this leadership and community engagement, the Swap Shop successfully diverted 5 tons of reusable materials.

One challenge in 2025 was sourcing enough usable items to support more frequent openings. In response, the 2026 goal is to host two seasonal swap events—one in spring and one in fall—based on material availability. Additionally, a shade canopy will be added to improve the user experience during warmer months.

INTERPRETIVE SIGNS "Path to Sustainability"

This project progressed significantly in 2025. The first sign was installed near Phase One of the landfill, and the second, focused on the Material Recovery Facility (MRF), entered final design stages, we anticipate this sign being installed in the beginning of 2026. Through this process, the full vision for the "Path to Sustainability" was clarified: a four-sign walkway extending from the existing concrete path. The first sign represents the "past," covering Phase One of the landfill. Two eastern signs will highlight current diversion efforts, one focused on the MRF and the other on the self-haul pad and the wide scope of recyclable materials accepted onsite. The fourth and final sign will address Phase Two, defining a sanitary landfill and showcasing active diversion efforts at the working face. WCI commits to completing and installing the third sign in 2026 with a budget of \$5k.



Sign Details in Table 2








MARKETING

In 2026 WCI will continue to grow our social media presence, and we will continue to use that platform to communicate information about waste collection, while still including content about the landfill. The focus on the landfill will be aimed at showing the community what goes on at the landfill from a closer perspective than they could achieve themselves.

Development of the landfill educational video began in 2025, and WCI intends to have a finished product in 2026.

We feel that our website could use some work. Digital refinement will be a priority as we work to make our online presence more relatable to Tehama County residents. The current site feels generic, and we see an opportunity to personalize it through improved imagery and clearer, locally relevant content. As part of this effort, we will audit the website for accuracy, completeness, and overall user experience to ensure it better reflects the community we serve.

TABLE 1 –

Guide to Plastics #1 - #7			
Identity Code	Abbreviation & Name	Some Common Products	Commonly Unmarked Materials
	PET or PETE Polyethylene teraphthalate	Plastic Beverage Containers including soft drink, water, Juice bottles, mouthwash bottles, peanut butter containers and salad dressing containers	Fiber for Carpet, Fleece Jackets, Comforter Fill and tote bags. Plastic food and Non-food containers. Film and sheet strapping.
	HDPE High-Density polyethylene	Bottles including milk, water, juice, cosmetic, shampoo, dish and laundry detergent.	Cereal box liners, Plastic lumber for outdoor decking, fencing and picnic tables. Pipe, floor tiles, buckets, crates, flower pots, garden edging, film and sheet, recycling bins
	V or PVC Polyvinyl Chloride	Plastic Toys, some clear food packaging, medical tubing. Wire and cable Insulation.	Mud flaps, cassette trays, electrical boxes, cables, traffic cones and garden hose.
	LDPE Low-Density Polyethylene	Shrink Wrap, Greenhouse film, Plastic shopping bags, paper towel/toilet paper/etc packaging.	Shrink-Wrap Greenhouse Film, Garbage can liners.
	PP Polypropylene	Prescription Medicine Bottles, ketchup bottles, some yogurt containers, some margarine (or similar) tubs.	Oil Funnels, garden rakes.
	PS Polystyrene	All Styrofoam, egg cartons, restaurant carryout boxes, plates/cups, etc.	Thermal insulation, light switch plates, license plate frames, egg cartons, packing peanuts
	OTHER Any Other Plastics	Nalgene bottles, CD's and some food product containers	Some bottles and plastic lumber applications

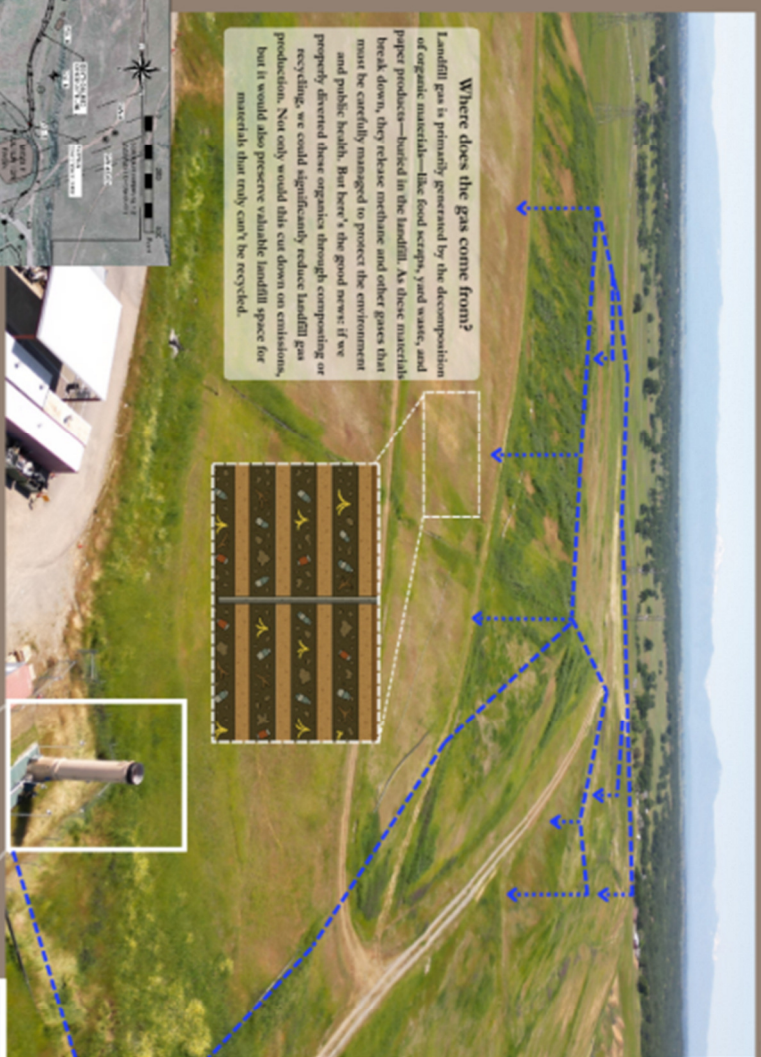
Tehama County Landfill: Phase 1 1970-2017



The landfill property was purchased jointly by Tehama County and the City of Red Bluff in 1964. From 1964 until the early 1970s, the landfill property was used as an open burn dump.

The landfill currently accepts for disposal, non-hazardous residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural waste in all of Tehama County, a population of over 64,000 people.

The landfill property is 160 acres. The landfill is permitted for development in two distinct phases, Phase 1 and Phase 2. Facing south, you are currently viewing Phase 1. The Phase 1 landfill is an unlined landfill that was closed in 2017 with a soil-closure cap. Waste was placed in the Phase 1 landfill area from the early 1970's to 2017.



Where does the gas come from?
Landfill gas is primarily generated by the decomposition of organic materials—like food scraps, yard waste, and paper products—buried in the landfill. As these materials break down, they release methane and other gases that must be carefully managed to protect the environment and public health. But here's the good news: if we properly diverted these organics through composting or recycling, we could significantly reduce landfill gas production. Not only would this cut down on emissions, but it would also preserve valuable landfill space for materials that truly can't be recycled.



A landfill gas (LFG) extraction system has been in place since 2002. The site is equipped with 14 vertical extraction wells and six horizontal collectors buried within the waste mass (marked by blue lines). These components are designed to efficiently capture the gas mixture—primarily methane and carbon dioxide—generated as organic material breaks down over time. To help control gas collection and limit the intrusion of air into the landfill, the system includes a network of adjustable valves for operational fine-tuning. The extracted gas is directed to a flare unit, where it is burned off to reduce environmental impact. Emissions from this process are monitored annually to ensure compliance with regulatory standards. Although gas-to-energy technology can convert landfill gas into usable power for homes or businesses, the volume of gas produced at this site is not sufficient to support such a system.



Phase 1 is estimated to contain 2 million tons of buried trash equivalent in weight to seven full-size oil tankers!



Another Collaboration By:
Tehama County
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Agency and
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TABLE 2



Tehama County

Agenda Request Form

File #: 25-2217

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 12.

Alternative MRF Request

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve the request from Waste Connections to process recyclable materials at an alternative Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) on an “as-needed” basis.

Financial Impact:

No financial impact to JPA.

Background Information:

The Agreement (Agreement) between the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency (JPA) and Waste Connections of California, Inc., and Madera Disposal Systems, Inc. (Contractor) requires that the “Contractor shall, at all times and at its expense, keep the Facility and all buildings and/or improvements at or on the Facility, whether pre-existing or subsequently required to be built or erected by Contractor hereafter, in good order, condition and repair,...”. Recent improvements to the MRF sort line led to a temporary pause in sorting recyclable materials for several days, which was communicated to the Agency Manager prior to the improvements being made. Waste Connections was concerned that this temporary pause could create a backlog of recyclable materials needed to be sorted.

To accommodate for the potential backlog, Waste Connections proposed to send recyclable materials to an alternative MRF to reduce pressure on the operations at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill MRF. The Agreement, in Section 4.G.13, allows for another MRF to process the recyclable materials if approved by the JPA. The request from Waste Connections identifies Pacific Recycling Solutions, Inc. (PRS), a Waste Connections site located in Ukiah, CA, as the alternative MRF. This request would only be used occasionally when routine maintenance or operational adjustments temporarily pause processing at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill MRF. Waste Connections would also absorb any transportation costs if the alternative MRF option was needed. Any adjustments to processing would be communicated to the Agency Manager prior to recyclable materials being shipped to the alternative site.

Waste Connections staff will be present to answer any questions.



GREEN WASTE OF TEHAMA,
A WASTE CONNECTIONS COMPANY

December 18, 2025

Mr. Paul Freund
Tehama County Solid Waste Agency Manager
20000 Plymire Road
Red Bluff, CA 96080

Dear Mr. Freund:

In accordance with the current landfill operating agreement between Tehama County and Madera Disposal Systems, Section 4.G.13 requires the operator to manage the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) and process all recyclable materials. The agreement also stipulates that if recycling is processed by another facility, it must be "JPA Approved."

Occasionally, routine maintenance or operational adjustments at the MRF have temporarily paused processing, leading to a short-term accumulation of recyclable material. To ensure continuity of service during these events, we respectfully request JPA approval to utilize an alternate facility: Pacific Recycling Solutions, Inc. (PRS), located in Ukiah, CA.

PRS is a Waste Connections site with a permitted capacity of 240 tons per day and currently serves multiple jurisdictions, including Mendocino County, Lake County, Lassen County, El Dorado County, Sonoma County, and Napa County. The facility has confirmed its ability to accommodate Tehama County's recycling needs when required.

PRS employs both mechanical and manual sorting processes. Mechanical systems include an Eddy Current for aluminum separation, an OCC screen, a mixed fiber screen, a metering bin, and a magnet for tin sortation. Manual sorting is used for contamination removal and plastic segregation into designated bunkers.

We believe this solution will maintain compliance with contractual obligations while ensuring efficient recycling operations during unforeseen disruptions. Please let us know if additional documentation or site details are required to proceed with approval.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Garrett
District Manager
Waste Connections of CA, Inc



Tehama County

Agenda Request Form

File #: 25-2218

Agenda Date: 1/5/2026

Agenda #: 13.

Old Corrugated Cardboard (OCC) Screen Proposal

Requested Action(s)

Review and approve Waste Connections recommendation to not proceed with installation of an old corrugated cardboard (OCC) screen at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).

Financial Impact:

Estimated increase to tipping fee of \$7.40 to \$8.10 per ton.

Background Information:

The Agreement (Agreement) between the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency (JPA) and Waste Connections of California, Inc., and Madera Disposal Systems, Inc. (Contractor) requires "By the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish a cost estimate, and its impact to the Contractor Tipping Fee, and project plan, which includes a completion date, to install an old corrugated cardboard (OCC) screen in the MRF for JPA consideration. Upon approval by the JPA, Contractor shall execute project plan in its entirety within the project timeline."

Agency staff received the initial proposal for the OCC screen on February 29, 2024, a day prior to the new agreement taking effect. However, due to various circumstances the Agency did not present the proposal for Board consideration at that time. The proposal from Waste Connections remains mostly unchanged, as material inflows have been relatively consistent over the last two years.

Additionally, the request for the OCC screen proposal was included in the Agreement at a time when very little was known about the impact to the MRF from SB 54, the Plastic Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act. CalRecycle restarted the formal rulemaking process for SB 54 in August 2025, and staff are currently reviewing the regulations to determine future impacts on the MRF. Some potential benefits of SB 54 include the infrastructure improvements that will be paid for by the stewardship organization to increase recycling rates for plastic and packaging materials. Staff will be providing additional updates on SB 54 at either the April or June Full Board meeting depending on how the rulemaking process goes.

Given all these factors, staff agree with Waste Connections recommendation to not proceed with installation of the OCC screen and are asking for the Board to approve that recommendation.

Waste Connections staff will be present to answer any questions.



December 18, 2025

Mr. Paul Freund
Landfill Agency Manager
Tehama County/ Red Bluff Landfill Management Agency
20000 Plymire Road.
Red Bluff, CA 96080

**RE: PROJECT PLAN FOR OCC SCREEN CONSIDERATION
TEHAMA COUNTY / RED BLUFF LANDFILL**

Dear Mr. Freund:

This letter is an update for JPA consideration to add an old corrugated cardboard (OCC) screen to the Material Processing Facility (MRF) at the landfill. This update is similar to the project plan and OCC screen consideration requested by and submitted to Rachel Ross-Donaldson on February 29, 2024. This update reiterates the background for the OCC screen and provides updated portions, including current dates, costs, impacts to operator personnel, and a recommendation to not proceed with this equipment for the Tehama MRF (as Operator for the Agency).

The Landfill and associated MRF are included within the approved Operator Agreement between Waste Connections and the Agency. In accordance with Section 4.U of the Agreement, the parties “...acknowledge the importance of operating the MRF in a safe and efficient manner is of utmost importance. By the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall furnish a cost estimate, and its impact to the Contractor Tipping Fee, and project plan, which includes a completion date, to install an old corrugated cardboard (OCC) screen in the MRF for JPA consideration. Upon approval by the JPA, Contractor shall execute project plan in its entirety within the project timeline.”

The Effective Date of the Agreement was March 1, 2024 with the prior submitted document provided in advance of that date. As background, the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) includes operations within a covered structure that generally include a west half and east half of operations. The west half operation includes an in-bound commingled recycling material surge

pile, existing sort line conveyor, sort line, and sorting binds. The east half includes sorted surge piles area and then a baler feed conveyor, baler, and minor bale storage.

Current operations including manual sorting of commingled recycled material for subsequent baling and transport from site. The OCC consideration is to include a mechanical means to separate OCC from the commingled recycling feedstock. For assessment purposes, this considers: (1) physically adding an OCC screen, (2) review operational throughput volume, (3) impact on staffing and site constraints, (4) overall cost and impact to landfill tipping fees, and (5) operator recommendation.

Physical Addition

Site layouts to incorporate the OCC screen focused on retaining the baler and offices at the east end of the covered building. The attached layout from KGEL steel (Attachment A) shows the layout necessary to incorporate the OCC screen within the existing MRF structure.

As shown on the exhibit, materials would be loaded from the northerly (front opening) of the building and then proceed to the following:

- Conveyors to the pre-sort station. This station requires 4 attendees and is critical to the operation to properly separate out rigids, trash, and undesirable materials.
- OCC Screen – this includes unders (undersized materials) that are circulated back to the container line, and overs (OCC) that continue to the OCC Overs line.
- OCC overs and sort line
- Container sort line to magnet and onto a glass separator.

Depending on the sorted materials, they either continue to the baler or direct to containers.

Operational Tonnages and Throughput

Received materials to the MRF include loads from Commercial (received daily) and Residential pickup (every other week). The following volumes were used for average purposes from October 2023 received volumes¹, including:

342	tons received (month total)
<i>of which:</i>	
75	tons Commercial (received daily)
267	tons Residential (received every 2 weeks)
<i>then:</i>	
3.75	Daily Inbound Commercial (based on 20d per month - conservative)
26.7	Daily Inbound Res (based on average over 10d (2 wks) per month)
30.45	Total Daily Inbound avg (on an every-other-week frequency)

¹ The 2023 volumes were included in the original February 2024 document to Rachel Ross and are generally unchanged for 2024 volumes. These numbers remain for consistency and all costs shown were based on 2023 and early 2024 estimates.

On weeks residential is collected, this equates to roughly 31 tons per day (tpd) received. On off-weeks, the average (Commercial only) is significantly less volume at 4 tpd received.

OCC screen design capacity by itself is 25-30 tons per hour of production with a maximum turn-down (minimum production) rate of 10 tph. The sort line is the limiting throughput factor and based on the design shown (4-person at the pre-sort station) is estimated at 10-12 tons per hour (tph) as a maximum production rate. Based on this range and maximum turn-down rate for the unit, 10 tph is used as a minimum for a consistent production/throughput rate...

Based on the above on-week volume of 31 tpd, the OCC screen (and sort lines) would operate 3 running hours (daily) and operated less than 1-hour per day on off-weeks.

It is noted that from an operations and personnel perspective, the addition of the OCC screen would require staffing for only 3-4 hours per day every other week, which is not sustainable for full-time facility employees. Sort line and OCC staffing are specific to those roles and would not be able to perform separate landfill duties during the non-OCC operation. As such, the OCC operation, while having much greater potential volume capacity, would only operate intermittently.

Staffing Required for OCC screen operation:

- The OCC requires 10 personnel to operate, including:
- Four (4) front line sorters
- One (1) OCC operator
- Four (4) post-OCC sorters
- One (1) Loader operator

The above does not include a floater for skid-steer operations at the OCC, which may also utilize baling personnel.

Cost Estimate

Installation and construction cost for the OCC screen is detailed on the attached quote from KGEL Steel (2024 \$'s). Not included in that scope are both electrical upgrades and required permitting (and related design support) that will be required for the facility and estimated below.

\$	1,041,541	2023 Quote from KGEL for installation of OCC at MRF building <i>Includes utilizing company OCC from El Dorado MRF</i>
\$	100,000	Electric Panel Upgrade Estimate — Cost TBD, pending final design
\$	93,600	Building Permitting/Engineering - Cost TBD (shown as 6% of Const Cost)
\$	not incl.	CEQA processing – assumed unchanged and not required
\$	not incl.	Solid Waste Facility Permit update / RFI – assumed not required
\$	20,000	Update to Transfer Processing Report (TPR)

\$ 1,255,141 Pre-Design Total OCC Installation Cost (2024 \$'s)

The above does not include ongoing personnel labor costs to operate the equipment, nor does it include annual maintenance costs (typically estimated at 5% of installation cost).

Total Cost shown is not based on a 100% design and includes a few items estimated for budgeting purposes that may change depending on County permitting processes and electrical requirements beyond the Contractor's control. For purposes of providing an estimated impact on the Contractor Tipping Fee, this will range based on final construction costs and **estimated at an increase between \$7.40 to \$8.10 per ton.**

Recommendation and Summary

Based on the information in this letter, it is not recommended to proceed with the OCC screen at the facility. This is due to limited use (due to high volume throughput capacity and low volume of materials received), impacts and impracticality to staff for less than full-time workloads, and increase in tipping fee cost without significant public benefit. Each of these individually would typically warrant to not proceed. Collectively, the addition of an OCC screen is considered unnecessary towards providing services for Tehama County and City of Red Bluff at this time.

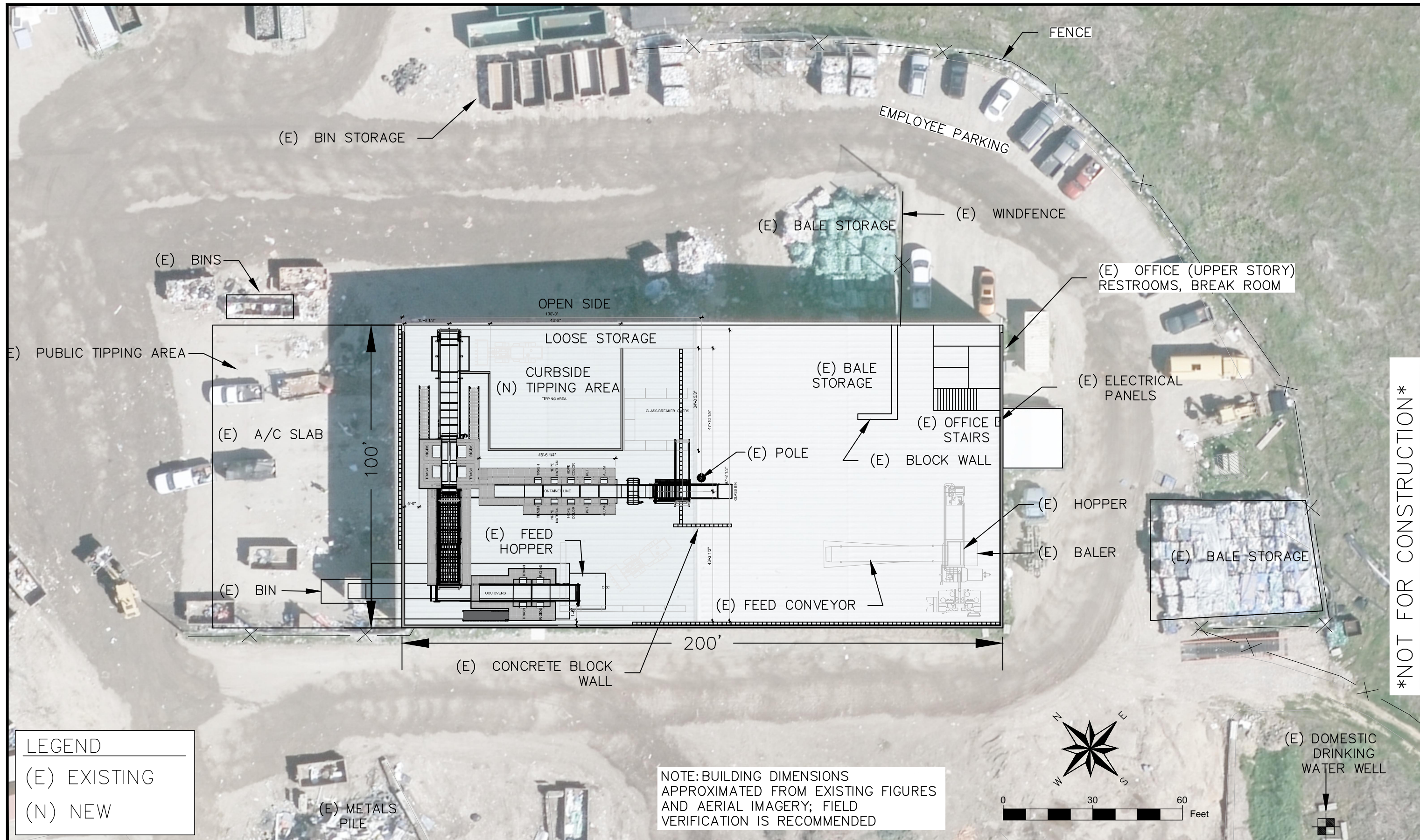
Should you have any questions, please contact me at (530) 391-7650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dave Brown', with a stylized, cursive script.

Dave Brown
Regional Engineer – CA
Waste Connections

Cc: Amanda Garrett



NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

 LAWRENCE & ASSOCIATES ENGINEERS & GEOLOGISTS	MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY SHOWING CONCEPTUAL OCC SCREEN INSTALLATION AND REVISED SORTING LINE	TEHAMA COUNTY/RED BLUFF LANDFILL		PROJECT NO: 003227.56	SCALE: 1" = 30'
		WASTE CONNECTIONS		DRAWN BY: Z.MORGAN	DATE: 12/4/2023
				CHECKED BY: K. SWANSON	FIGURE 4



QUOTE # 221106R1
DATE: 11/10/2023
Expiration Date: 2/11/2024

KGEL STEEL INC.

4085 Flat Rock Rd. Riverside, CA 92505
 Phone: 951-687-7646
 Fax: 951-688-7843
 General Contractors License B, C-51, and C10 No. 1024885
 NV Contractors A-14 License No. 0089614
 LA City Certified fabricator No. FB03243
 Phoenix AZ Certified fabricator No. C08-2020
 Email: rickp@kgelsteel.net

SOLD TO:

Green Waste of Tehama

19995 Plymire Rd. Red Bluff, CA 96080

Phone: 530-528-4504

Attention: Amanda Garrett

Email: amanda.Garrett@WasteConnections.com

SHIP TO:

Green Waste of Tehama

19995 Plymire Rd. Red Bluff, CA 96080

Scope of work: Design, fabricate and install proposed equipment for OCC separation per items listed below.

Item #	Equipment Description / Item Description	Equipment Cost	Tax	Labor	Totals
			7.50%		
1	Supply and install infeed / incline Conveyor: 60" wide by 41'-0" long 10 hp with (2) E-stops. Including loading hopper.	\$ 112,750.00	\$ 8,456.25		\$ 121,206.25
2	Supply and install OCC QC Pre-Sort Conveyor: 60" wide by 25'-0" long 3 hp 120fpm (vfd), complete with two pull cords and feed pause buttons on each side of the conveyor.	\$ 41,580.00	\$ 3,118.50		\$ 44,698.50
3	Supply and install new fiber (2) sort platform 7'-7" Wide by 16'-7" long (246 sq. ft.) to include (4) . 48" wide by 30" Long drop chutes, (2) staircase, and guard rails as required.	\$ 66,022.00	\$ 4,951.65		\$ 70,973.65
4	Supply labor to Install (e) double deck Amadas OCC screen separator, complete with supports, chutes and hoppers, 2ea. 10HP VFD motors, four door E-stops switches.	\$ -			\$ -
5	Supply and install OCC QC Post-Sort Conveyor: 60" wide by 49'-0" long 7.5 hp 120fpm (vfd), complete with two pull cords and feed pause buttons on each side of the conveyor.	\$ 75,460.00	\$ 5,659.50		\$ 81,119.50

6	Supply and install new fiber (2) sort platform 5'-5". Wide by 28'-6" long, and a platform connection 36" w by 6' long (280 sq. ft.) to include (4) . 24" wide by 30" Long drop chutes, (1) staircase, and guard rails as required.	\$ 55,660.00	\$ 4,174.50		\$ 59,834.50
7	Supply labor to Install (e) slider bed OCC unders transfer conveyor 72" wide by 26'-0" long 5HP, 120fpm. with 2 ply 1/8x1/16 by bare heavy duty belt complete with supports, chutes and hoppers.	\$ -			\$ -
8	Supply and install Container QC Sort Conveyor: 48" wide by 75'-0" long 7.5 hp 120fpm (vfd), complete with two pull cords and feed pause buttons on each side of the conveyor. With stainless steel section to be able to install magnet.	\$ 99,000.00	\$ 7,425.00		\$ 106,425.00
9	Supply and install new fiber (2) sort platform 5'-5". Wide by 28'-6" long, and a platform connection 36" w by 6' long (471 sq. ft.) to include (4) . 24" wide by 30" Long drop chutes, (1) staircase, and guard rails as required.	\$ 80,872.00	\$ 6,065.40		\$ 86,937.40
10	Provide and Install permanent overhead suspension magnet 37" W x 52" L. with supports and chutes.	\$ 104,500.00	\$ 7,837.50		\$ 112,337.50
11	Supply labor to Install (e) refurbish double deck BHS glass fines removal screen, complete with supports, chutes and hoppers, 2ea. 5HP VFD motors.	\$ -			\$ -
12	Supply labor to Install (e) slider bed OCC unders transfer conveyor 48" wide by 21'-0" long 3HP, 120FPM. with 2 ply 1/8x1/16 by bare heavy duty belt complete with supports, chutes and hoppers.	\$ -			\$ -
13	Supply labor to Install (e) slider bed glass fines transfer conveyor 48" wide by 21'-3" long 3HP, 120FPM. with 2 ply 1/8x1/16 by bare heavy duty belt complete with supports, chutes and hoppers.				\$ -
14	Equipment loading from El Dorado Facility, Freight, and Equipment rental.			\$ 24,970.00	\$ 24,970.00
15	Mechanical installation: 5 men crew, 10 hrs. a day 6 days per week, it will take three weeks to complete all mechanical installation.			\$113,850.00	\$ 113,850.00
16	Relocation fee: one 5 men crew, service truck and equipment trailer			\$ 9,900.00	\$ 9,900.00
17	Electrical Installation: Wiring from MCC to equipment ·Interface wiring. Miscellaneous signals and e stops			\$109,560.00	\$ 109,560.00
18	Programming and Controls:			\$ 40,205.00	\$ 40,205.00
19	Installation Equipment Rental	\$ 18,150.00	\$ 1,361.25		\$ 19,511.25
20	Freight: From Riverside CA to Red Bluff, CA	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 2,062.50		\$ 29,562.50

21	Design, Field Survey, and Project Management	\$ 10,450.00			\$ 10,450.00
22	Sub Total:	\$ 691,944.00	\$ 51,112.05	\$298,485.00	\$ 1,041,541.05
23	Total for this project.				\$ 1,041,541.05

Terms:

30 % Down payment with PO Number.
30 % 30 days after down payment.
30% Upon shipment of equipment.
10% Net 10 Days After Completion of Project.

Shipping Method:

Truck

Not Included in this Quote:

This quote does not include any City or State permits
This quote does not structural analysis, calculations
This quote does not include any items not listed on scope of work
Quote does not include prevailing wages.
Quote is based on a free and clear access area.
Customer to supply fire watch for the duration of the project.
Quote does not include equipment performances warranty.
This quote does not include installing the Main power to MCC.
This quote does not include repairing any damage electrical components, or panel due to storage of equipment and MCC.
This quote does not include installing the Fire sprinkler system

K.S.I. would like to thank you for the opportunity to quote this work for you. K.S.I. has over 20 years' experience working on recycling equipment, including plant modifications, equipment integration including optical sorters for glass, containers, and fiber, baler relines, new plant installations, consulting on equipment and or plant performance. Please call me if you have any questions reference this quote at 909.835.2200

Sincerely,

Rick Perez
President
KGEL STEEL INC.

Insurance:

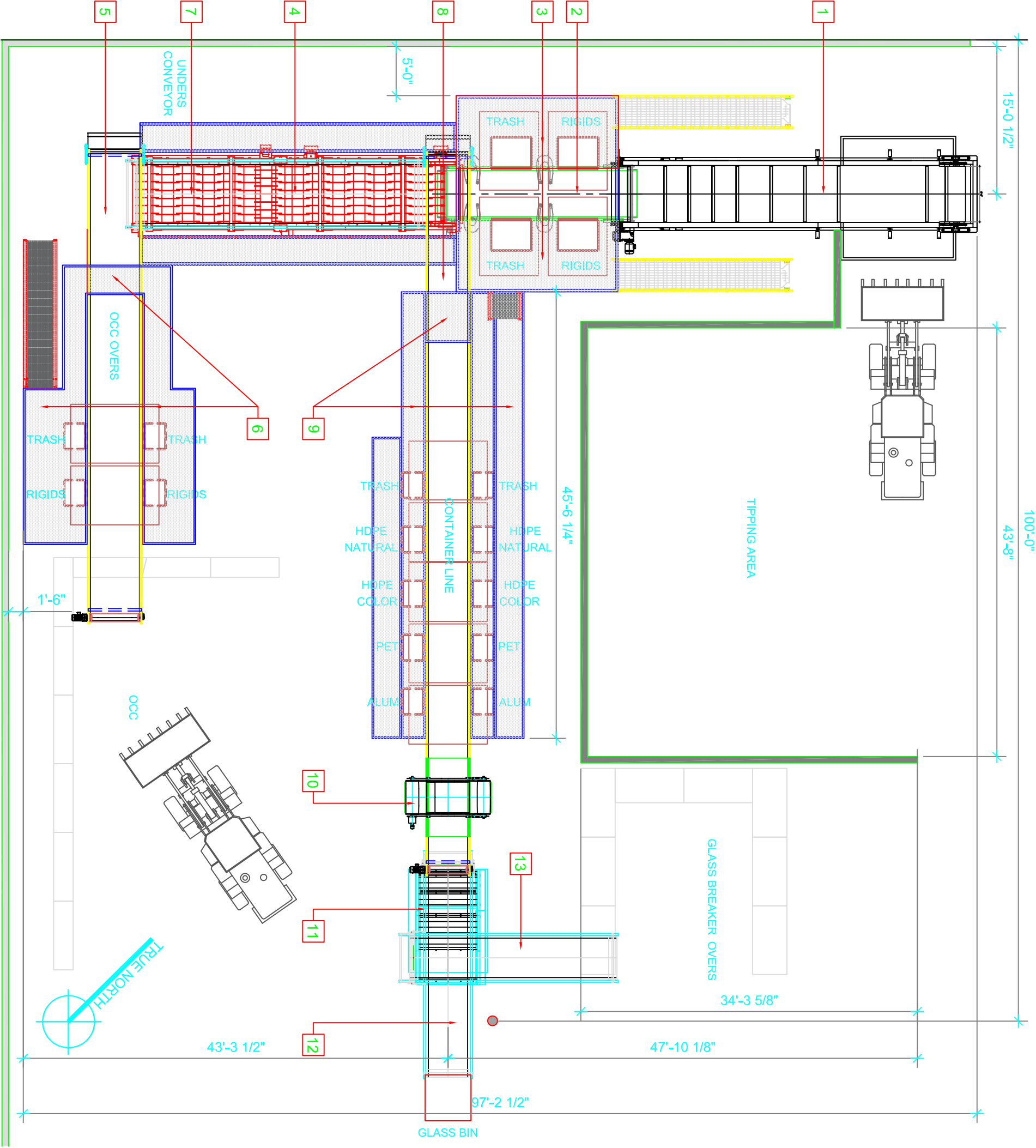
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Umbrella Liability Policy # BEO16998563
Installation Floater Policy # 51MSFM4648
Leased, Rented Equipment Business Property # 57SBABL7984

To accept this quotation sign here: _____

Title: _____

Date approved: _____

PO number: _____



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- Supply labor to install (e) slider bed OCC unders transfer conveyor 48" wide by 21'-0" long 3HP, 120FPM. with 2 ply 1/8x1/16 by bare heavy duty belt complete with supports, chutes and hoppers.
- Supply labor to install (e) slider bed glass fines transfer conveyor 48" wide by 21'-3" long 3HP, 120FPM. with 2 ply 1/8x1/16 by bare heavy duty belt complete with supports, chutes and hoppers.



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Landfill Yard Waste Fire Incident Update

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes; no action is required.

Financial Impact:

None.

Background Information:

The yard waste pile behind the sorting facility spontaneously combusted Sunday, August 10, 2025 at approximately 4:00PM. No staff or public were present as the landfill closed to the public at 2:30PM and all staff had left the facility by 3:30PM. Waste Connections' asphalt contractor called 911 at about 4:45PM and notified Waste Connections' Operations Manager, Kris Adair. Kris notified the Agency Manager at 5:15PM.

Waste Connections staff will present what occurred and their plan to mitigate future occurrences.

Attached to this agenda item is their presentation.

Landfill Yard Waste Fire Incident (8-10-25) Update

Presenting: Dave Brown, Reg. Engineer, Waste Connections



Organic Waste Yard

Feedstock Includes:

- *Residential Organics*
- *Commercial Organics*
- *White Wood*
(Pallets, Untreated Wood)

Rough Dimension (7/25/25)

- *150' x 140' footprint*
- *Height ranges 8-12'(H)*
- *5,000 cy of Material*

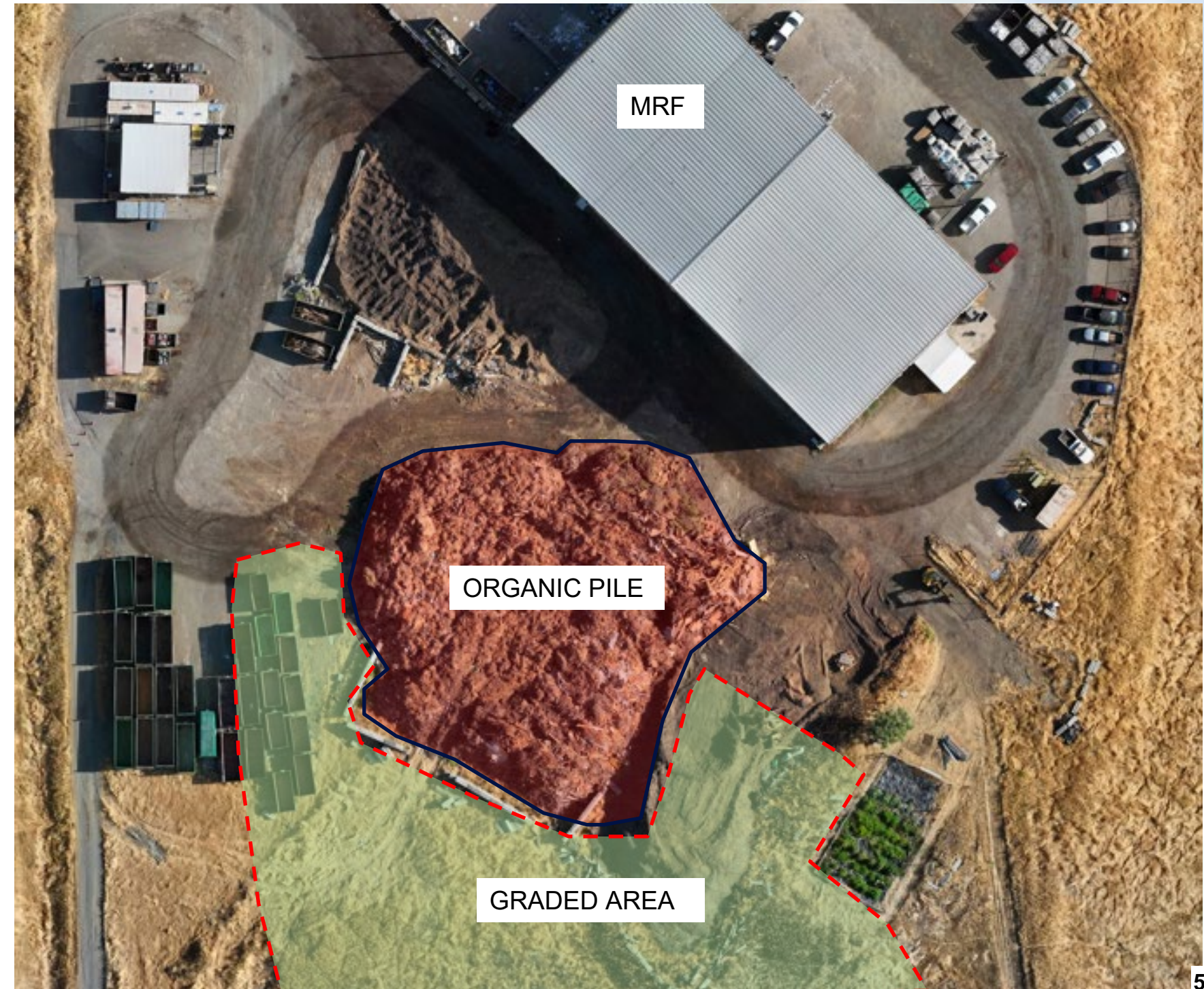


Fire Incident

[Approximate timeline, official report from CalFire Report still unavailable]

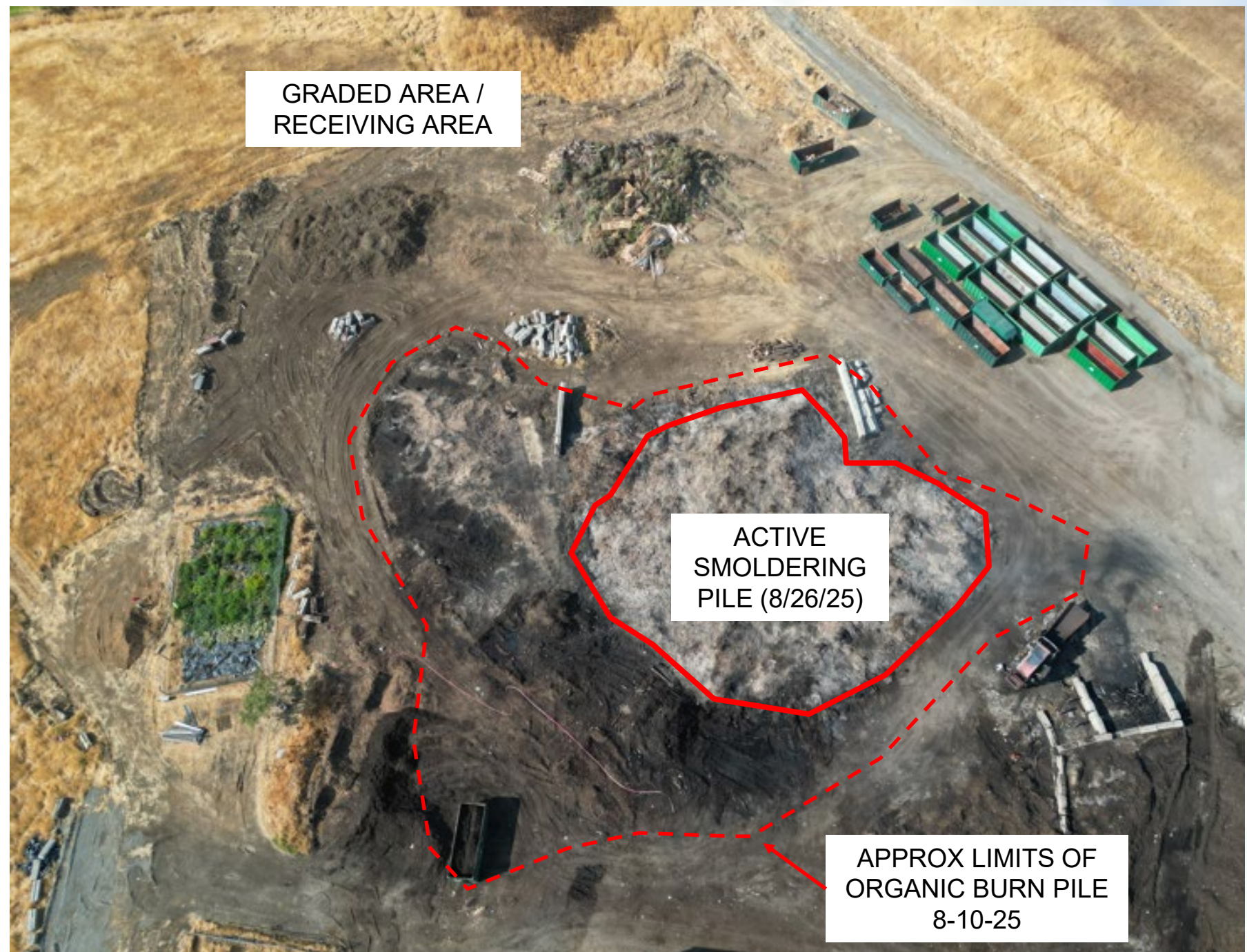
Sunday, Aug 10, 2025:

- 107F, elevated afternoon winds, low humidity
- 3:30 p.m. – Facility employees last out
- 4:45-4:47 p.m. – 911 call from asphalt contractor reporting smoke/flames
- Facility Operator immediately onsite (moving machinery out of building)
- CalFire onsite within 30 minutes, scene responder
- Site assisted response, cleared large 60'x100' area south of pile
- Air support to saturate adjacent to building and perimeters
- Perimeter control established, CalFire exit near 12:20 a.m. (8/11/25)
- All impacted areas non-structural, includes Organic Waste Pile and Grinder (equipment)



Ongoing Measures

- **24-hour Fire Watch, first few days by facility operator, 3rd party support ongoing**
- **Daily review by CalFire first 1.5 weeks, currently periodic check-ins. No change in how handling:**
 - **Perimeter monitoring**
 - **Continue to push/compile as possible**
 - **Douse/water as necessary**
 - **Remove and separate non-burning materials**
- **Receiving Area (for inbound Organic Waste) relocated south and grinding on 2-3 week interval**
- **Burned Material to be weighed via on-equipment Loader scales and landfilled to active face (pending lab results for characterization - non-structure, non-asbestos burn material)**



CalFire Investigation Report

1/10/2025



Investigation Report

Incident Information

DPA Authority at State Origin: Region: Northern
Incident Type: 151-Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire Incident Name: PLYMIRE
Action Taken: 10-Fire control or extinguishment, other Aid Given/Received: 1-Mutual aid received
Battalion: 3

Casualties

Civilian Deaths: 0 Civilian Injuries: 0
Fire Service Deaths: 0 Fire Service Injuries: 0

Losses (\$)

Estimated Property Losses: \$10000
Estimated Content Losses: \$1000000 Estimated Contents Pre-Incident Value: \$1000000

Dates and Times

Alarm: 08/10/2025 16:49:52 Arrival: 08/10/2025 16:59:52 Controlled: 08/10/2025 20:20:34 Cleared: 08/10/2025 20:20:34

Location

Latitude: 40.196051 Longitude: -122.293164
County: Tehama Unit: TGU FDID: 52555
Address: 19995PLYMIRERD-Road
Cross Street: 14001 BLK MENDENHALL RD & 14000 BLK SKUNK HOLLOW R
City: WRB State: CA Zip Code: 96080

Details

Property Use: 000-Property Use, other
Mixed Use Property: 58-Business and residential use

Apparatus and Personnel

Suppression Apparatus: 11 Suppression Personnel: 2
EMS Apparatus: 0 EMS Personnel: 0
Other Apparatus: 4 Other Personnel: 2

Incident Number: 25CATGU0008846 Exposure: 0 Incident Date: 08/10/2025

Officer in Charge

Name: DE LOS SANTOS, VICTOR
Position or Rank: FIRE APPARATUS ENGINEER

Member Making Report

Name: DE LOS SANTOS, VICTOR Date: 08/13/2025
Position or Rank: FIRE APPARATUS ENGINEER

Statements and information included in this report are based on the best available information at the time of the report. I reserve the right to update and/or modify this report at any time, based on new or additional information becoming available.

Wildland Fire

Area Type: 1-Rural, including farms > 50 acres
Heat Source: 72-Spontaneous combustion, chemical reaction

Material First Ignited: Wood Pile

Factors Contributing to Ignition: 00-Factors contributing to ignition, other Human Factors Contributing to Ignition: None

Investigation

Reported: 08/10/2025 16:48:43

Investigation Attachments Included in Report?: Yes

Were there persons or property involved? (Victim, Witness, Subject): No

Narrative

Additional Narratives	Authored By	Authored Date
On Wednesday August 10, 2025at approximately 4:49 PM the Emergency Command Center (ECC) received a report of a vegetation fire at Tehama County Landfill. The ECC dispatched a full wildland response, including myself on E2562. E2562 arrived at the scene at approximately 4:59 PM and found multiple piles of large logs fully involved. Training 7 instructed E2562 to get the right flank to make sure the piles did not spread to the vegetation. P2522 spoke with landfill representee to find video of the fire being caused by spontaneous combustion, south end of the large green waste piles. After all active flames were put out fire was turned back to the property owners. The large debris piles resulting in \$1,010,000 damage including the debarker and Tehama solid waste, \$500,000 saved. In my opinion, based on my training experience evidence at scene I believe the probable fire cause was spontaneous combustion. I reserve the right to change my opinion if more information evidence is brought forward.	VICTOR DE LOS SANTOS	08/13/2025

Acres Burned

State Responsibility Area: 0.25
Local Responsibility Area: 0

Ongoing Operations

- **Operational change from single pile to windrows**
 - Ability to isolate rows
 - Smaller piles
- **Expanded yard footprint**
 - Increases ability to manage yard waste multiple windrows and allow for grinding while other windrows being received
- **Clearances/Separation:**
 - Maintain yard waste away from structures
 - Maintain equipment away from yard waste when not directly in use





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Corning Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

Requested Action(s)

Confirm direction given to staff at the October Full Board Meeting.

Financial Impact:

Undetermined at this time.

Background Information:

The temporary events in Corning were scheduled through December on the third Saturday of the month, which was the same schedule as the permanent site. During the four monthly events participation averaged between five and nine residents per event. The Board directed Agency staff at the October Full Board meeting to discontinue collection events after the December event.

Agency staff recently talked to a Realtor familiar with the area about a possible suitable site for a permanent facility. If a permanent facility were found in near term, it is not likely that the hazmat lockers could be moved onto that site before they would have to be removed from Corning Disposal. Additionally, the cost of purchasing and improving a new site could easily exceed the Agency's annual budget for HHW disposal. The Agency will be moving those lockers, once cleaned and rendered inert for shipping, to the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill using a local towing company with estimates ranging from \$150-\$350/hour.

Agency staff are requesting confirmation of the direction previously given by the Board on exploring ways to expand operations at the Red Bluff HHW facility and discontinuing service in Corning.



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FY 2025/2026 Goals Update

Requested Action(s)

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

Financial Impact:

None.

Background Information:

Included in your agenda is an update on the Agency's progress towards achieving its FY 2025/2026 goals, as approved by the Board of Directors. Staff is available to answer any questions.

Goals for the Agency Manager and Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency

FY 2025/2026 Goals

Short Term Goals to complete by the end of FY 2025/2026

1. Ensure that the new Landfill and MRF Operations Agreement is being implemented and all Waste Connections reporting requirements are being met.
Update: In process. Waste Connections continues to meet their reporting requirements under the new contract that began March 1, 2024. Their Diversion Plan Annual Report is to be submitted by February 15 for review by the Agency.
2. Oversee the CEQA review, soil testing and regulatory submittal to permit the composting facility at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill through FY 2025/2026.
Update: Complete. The revised Joint Technical Document was submitted to CalRecycle with the Five-Year Permit Review on May 20 and was resubmitted July 24 following comments from CalRecycle. The Central Valley Water Board issued their Notice of Applicability (NOA) on August 5, 2025. The NOA allows the landfill to construct and operate a compost facility, if directed by the Board. More details on this are provided in a separate agenda item.
3. Work with Tehama County Personnel to develop an internal staffing structure and transition all employees to internal employment.
Update: On hold. This item is currently on hold.
4. Continue to ensure the Agency remains AB 939 and SB 1383 compliant.
Update: Ongoing. CalRecycle completed their review of our Electronic Annual Report for calendar year 2024 on November 25 and did not request any additional information. Staff are waiting for CalRecycle to schedule their conference call and site visits for the 2025 report year review.
5. Continue to ensure the goals set forth in Waste Connections' 2025 Diversion Plan are being implemented and meet the higher diversion standards.
Update: In process. Waste Connections is compliant with its Diversion Plan. A detailed Diversion Plan report for 2025 will be provided to the Board at the April Board of Directors meeting.
6. Per the Landfill and MRF Operations agreement, evaluate Waste Connections' claims for "Change in Law" costs by the end of FY 2025/2026.
Update: In process. Waste Connections has not yet submitted a claim for any "Change in Law" costs for FY 2025/2026.

7. Complete the Five-Year Permit Review for the MRF and Landfill. Provide a cost comparison for CalRecycle's closure estimate as compared to current industry costs.

Update: In process. CalRecycle's Technical Support Section approved the closure and corrective action plans in October and November, respectively. The Agency is waiting for Tehama County Department of Environmental Health, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, and CalRecycle's Financial Assurance Unit to each approve them before formal approval can be granted.
8. Continue to manage the agreement with ACTenviro to operate the Corning and Red Bluff Household Hazardous Waste facilities.

Update: In process. ACTenviro was assessed Liquidated Damages (LDs) on May 15, May 23, and June 18 for unsatisfactory staff performance; and on May 15 for failing to provide necessary documentation to the Agency for operating the facilities. The LDs totaled \$21,790 and are currently being deducted from invoices received from ACTenviro. Management of the facility has improved dramatically; however, the frequency of invoices sent to the Agency has become less consistent. Additionally, all operations have ceased in Corning, and staff are currently working to close the site at Corning Disposal and increase collections during the winter months at the Red Bluff site.
9. The agreement between the Agency and WM for the provision of hosting the Corning Household Hazardous Facility expired April 30, 2024. Negotiate a successor agreement or remove the facility from WM's property.

Update: In process. The Agency was unable to come to an agreement with WM, and the Agency is currently working on removing the facility from Corning Disposal.
10. Oversee the development and implementation of required SB 1383 regulatory programs through FY 2025/2026. Provide the Board with alternative service providers, if available.

Update: Ongoing. A detailed update on SB 1383 is provided in a separate agenda item.
11. The Agency was awarded the CalRecycle Waste Tire Amnesty Grant Cycle 7 in the amount of \$26,400. Complete the grant and related reporting by the October 30 deadline.

Update: Complete. The Agency held a total of 4 Passenger tire collection events, collecting 4,269 tires. These events were held in April 2024, September 2024, March 2025, and September 2025. Free Agricultural Tire Collection events were held during the months of February 2024 and February 2025, collecting 210 agricultural tires of varying sizes. The TA7 grant and related reporting was completed by the October 30 deadline. Reimbursement

payment was received on December 3. The Agency applied and was eligible for TA8 but was not allocated any funds.

12. The Agency was awarded the CalRecycle SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant in the amount of \$340,333. Utilize the funding to implement the requirements of SB 1383.

Update: In process. The grant has helped cover costs for staff time to conduct outreach, paper purchase recordkeeping, and complete reports. The grant also paid for supplies to assist schools with cafeteria waste sorting, purchase supplies to assist PATH establish a community composting program at the Navigation Center, purchase kitchen food scrap pails to give residents to encourage backyard composting, purchase equipment for Food Recovery Organizations to take more recovered food from Commercial Edible Food Generators, and covered the cost for printing outreach materials. Additionally, CalRecycle has extended the deadline to November 2026 to expend all funds.

13. Create the compost education trailer and provide outreach to 5 community events or schools.

Update: In process. Staff have identified an old trailer owned by the Agency that was used for litter pickups in the past and are currently working to transition it to become the compost education trailer.

14. Assist the County and the cities in amending their franchise hauling agreements to comply with SB 1383 and AB 1826, as requested.

Update: Ongoing. Corning is currently negotiating their franchise hauling agreement with WM, but has not requested any assistance from the Agency. Additional information on AB 1826 is provided in a separate agenda item.

15. Continue to coordinate two regional multi-waste collection events in outlying and underserved portions of the community.

Update: In process. One cleanup event was held for the Manton and Paynes Creek areas at the Manton Transfer Station on September 27.

16. Continue to participate in the Northern California Recycling Collaborative in order to create intercounty efficiencies in grant management and increase marketability of recyclable materials.

Update: Ongoing. The Agency hosted the NCRC meeting on October 30 with attendees from Shasta County, Trinity County, City of Anderson, Lake County, Hambro Recycling, Waste Connections and WM. The Agency is currently working with Shasta County to host the next meeting.

17. Continue to promote the Tehama County Recycling Market Development Zone by giving three presentations to local businesses, economic developers, institutions of higher education, or other individuals interested in starting up or expanding a business that utilizes material diverted from landfills.

Update: In process. The Agency provided outreach and sponsorship for the Sacramento River Discovery Center's Fall Plant Festival on November 1 and has promoted the TCRMDZ through several events at the Tehama County Library in November and December as part of a project that will also provide the Library with sewing repair kits, a bike repair stand, and other items to promote reuse and repair.
18. Remain involved with the RCRC Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA), a local governmental agency comprised of 22 rural member counties that provides solid waste, recycling and HHW regulatory advocacy and technical assistance.

Update: Ongoing. Agency staff virtually attended the ESJPA meetings in August and December and attended the October meeting in person. The next ESJPA meeting will be held on March 26, 2026. The Agency supported the ESJPA's sponsored bill to provide greater flexibility for HHW facilities to manage vape devices. An update on bills the Agency supported in 2025 will be presented at the next Executive Committee meeting.
19. Remain involved in the California Product Stewardship Council Associates calls to provide assistance in developing future direction of product stewardship related policy and legislation.

Update: Ongoing. Agency staff continued to attend CPSC's monthly Associates calls in 2025. Information CPSC has shared on the battery stewardship regulations and SB 54, the plastic packaging producer responsibility law, has been helpful. The Agency also supported CPSC and Californians Against Waste (CAW) legislation to ban the sale of single-use vape devices. An update on bills the Agency supported in 2025 will be presented at the next Executive Committee meeting.
20. Remain involved with the Sacramento River Discovery Center as organic waste management resources continue to expand.

Update: Ongoing. Agency staff remain involved with the Sacramento River Discovery Center to help promote backyard composting, waste reduction and the TCRMDZ through various programs they host and assisting in presentations to schoolchildren during field trips to the Center.

21. Rebrand the Smart Business Alliance Program that incentivizes businesses to reduce their waste stream/recycle in collaboration with both waste haulers. Provide outreach regarding the program to at least 15 businesses and 3 multi-family dwellings and provide a semi-annual update to the Board regarding participating businesses.
- Update. In process. Progress has been made with the new Recycling Program Analyst partnering with Green Waste of Tehama's Sustainability Coordinator on commercial recycling. A total of 10 businesses were provided with outreach regarding the program and 5 joined the SBA as of December 2025. The Agency has also collaborated with Green Waste on rebranding the SBA technical assistance component. For the rebrand to be effective, collaboration from WM will be essential. Historically, support from WM has been limited. However, recent engagement from their new Recycling Education Representative has shown improvement.
22. Continue to give 10 presentations to students, teachers, and/or administration using the '4 R Kids' mobile field trip by the end of FY 2025/2026.
- Update. In process. The Agency continues to retrofit a trailer to house the exhibits, now that the bus will be removed from the Agency's assets. Since the Recycling Program Analyst position was filled, the trailer has been wrapped with the updated 4R Kids Exhibit design and is being further retrofitted for school presentations. In partnership with Waste Connections' Sustainability Coordinator and WM's Recycling Education Representative, a total of 5 4R's Kids Exhibit presentations have been achieved. Events include the following:
- 7/10 Los Molinos Library Outreach Activity
 - 7/28 Corning Library Outreach Activity
 - 7/21 Red Bluff Library Outreach Activity
 - 8/17 Kiwanis Child Safety Fair
 - 9/2 Corning Tuesday Night Market
23. To increase composting knowledge within the community, continue to give five compost presentations/demonstrations at community events or to school children by the end of FY 2025/2026.
- Update: In process. Compost demonstrations were given to attendees visiting the Agency's booth at the Manton Apple Festival on October 4. Additionally, 99 food scrap pails were also given away.
24. To promote at-home organic waste reduction, continue offering semi-annual organic waste reduction and at-home management classes for the public.
- Update: In process. Agency staff provided at-home composting demonstrations to 15 people at the Sacramento River Discovery Center's Fall Plant Festival on November 1, and 10 food scrap pails were given away to attendees.

25. As mandated, increase tracking and reporting of County waste diversion programs.
Update: Ongoing. The Agency received data from WM in August showing a utilization rate under 50% for commercial recycling carts in the City of Corning. This data did not indicate whether those commercial accounts were required to comply with AB 341 or not, and additional information has been difficult to obtain from WM. The Agency has also requested similar data from Waste Connections and will receive that once their data collection period ends.
26. Continue monitoring the carpet and mattress recycling programs to ensure their continued success. Provide updates to the Board.
Update: Ongoing. The Agency will provide an update at the next Executive Committee meeting.
27. Continue to educate the public and school children about the true cost of recycling and how recycling means less revenue for the Landfill, but a greater need for services with a continued focus on the overall benefit to the environment and conservation of resources through quarterly e-newsletters and outreach through FY 2025/2026.
Update: In process. Quarterly press releases were submitted to the Red Bluff Daily News in July and October. The Agency will publish the next one in January 2026; and the Waste Awareness Educators e-newsletter was sent to all Tehama County Schools in August and December.
28. Continue to provide assistance to multi-family complexes and businesses in complying with AB 341, which requires mandatory commercial recycling, through continued implementation of the Mandatory Commercial Recycling (MCR) Plan by the end of FY 2025/2026. Provide updates to the Board.
Update: In process. Through the franchise hauling agreements with each jurisdiction in Tehama County, all businesses are compliant with AB 341 as they receive recycling service as part of their trash service. Also, the waste haulers have provided customer data, allowing us to identify businesses that require additional outreach. The data analysis has shown several trends, including businesses that have increased their garbage volume, reduced their recycling efforts, or allowed us to identify opportunities where they can divert more recyclables. The data analysis results will help us tailor our outreach and ensure higher compliance with recycling.

29. Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and Product Stewardship (retailers/manufacturers become responsible for end-of-life management of their products) is a strategic directive of CalRecycle. In order to reduce public costs and drive improvements in product design that promote environmental sustainability, legislation will likely continue to be passed to shift California's product waste management system from one focused on government funded and ratepayer financed waste diversion to one that relies on producer responsibility. Remain involved and continue to support product stewardship bills for toxic and hard to recycle items.

Update: Ongoing. Staff advocated for EPR legislation to focus on Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), banning the sale of single-use vape devices, and to provide greater flexibility for HHW facilities to manage vape devices. An update on bills the Agency supported in 2025 will be presented at the next Executive Committee meeting.

30. Continue managing Used Oil and Beverage Container grants through FY 2025/2026.

Update: Ongoing. Applications have been submitted for each jurisdiction's FY 2025/2026 Beverage Container City/County Payment Program. To date, Beverage Container funds have been used for staff time to comply with AB 341, staff time at outreach events, advertising the CRV program in Tehama County, and for purchasing additional recycling bins to provide to businesses that join the Agency's SBA Program. Used Oil Cycle 15 funds have been spent, and the Agency is currently spending Cycle 16 funds. The funds have been spent on outreach to promote the used oil program, staff time at outreach events, a video advertising campaign promoting used oil collection opportunities in Tehama County, and used oil disposal costs from HHW collection events.

Emerging/Ongoing issues

31. Due to declines in the Integrated Waste Management Account, CalRecycle grant funding is likely to decline and more audits of existing grants are likely. Remain involved in the stakeholder process to ensure cuts are limited and do not unfairly affect rural jurisdictions.

Update: Ongoing. To date, only used oil payments have been reduced to the minimum required by statute. The impact to the Agency was less than \$2,000 annually.

32. SB 1383 will likely require jurisdictions to adopt mandatory collection policies/ordinances. Assist the County in its consideration of mandatory collection, as requested.

Update: Ongoing. Currently CalRecycle has not required mandatory collection policies or ordinances for SB 1383 compliance, but the Agency will continue to monitor this with assistance from the RCRC ESJPA.



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SB 1383 Regulation Review and Update

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes, no action is required.

Financial Impact:

None.

Background Information:

As the Board is aware, the Office of Administrative Law approved the SB 1383 final regulations on November 3, 2020. AB 2902 extended the deadline for when jurisdictions with a Rural Exemption must comply with SB 1383 regulations to January 1, 2037. Below is a summary of work completed since the April 7 Full Board meeting.

- Agency staff attended Tehama Together's Food Share meetings on April 10, July 10, and October 9 to provide local food pantries with various updates related to the edible food donation requirements. Highlights from the meetings include confirming delivery of equipment purchased for the food pantries using SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant funds, Tehama Together giving updates on their Peanut Butter and Jelly food drive for May and their turkey purchase for Thanksgiving, some food pantries seeing a decline in produce being donated while other donations remained consistent, and ideas for increasing knowledge of food preparation for their clients. I also coordinated with PATH to meet about establishing a community compost site at the PATH Navigation Center, as the SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant funds can be used to purchase composting equipment to encourage community-scale composting.
- Agency staff virtually attended the RCRC ESJPA meetings in August and December; and attended the October meeting in person. AB 1046 (Bains) was amended to only apply to agricultural crop preparation services (nut hullers and processors, feed and grain mills, etc.) and signed by the Governor on October 13. The bill will exempt these facilities from CalRecycle's edible food generator regulations if they do not dispose of organic waste in landfills. With these amendments it will apply to fewer Tier 1 Commercial Edible Food Generators in Tehama County than expected, and staff will work with those entities to see if they meet the requirements to be exempted. The August meeting featured a presentation on carbon farming using land applied compost on actively grazed lands, while the October and December meetings focused more on hazardous waste reporting and progress on SB 54 rulemaking.
- Agency staff participated in a discussion on the successes and challenges of implementing organics collection in Shasta County at the Northern California Recycling Collaborative

meeting on October 30. One key difference between Shasta County and Tehama County is that residents in the unincorporated portions of Shasta County did not have containerized collection of yard trimmings prior to the implementation of full organics collection (yard trimmings and food scraps combined) which required more education of their residents to avoid contamination issues. Additionally, staff attended the ribbon cutting of the new compost facility at WM's Anderson Landfill on December 3 and exchanged contact information with their Organics Project Development Manager in hopes of meeting to discuss costs and logistics of hauling organics from Tehama County to their facility.

- Agency staff have inspected all Tier 1 and 2 Commercial Edible Food Generators and Food Recovery Organizations for 2025. The report for edible food donated or received in 2025 is due to the Agency by March 1, 2026.



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Outreach Update

Requested Action(s)

This item is for informational purposes, no action is required.

Financial Impact:

None.

Background Information:

- The Agency coordinated with the Maywood Women's Club to provide a "Recycling 101" presentation at their monthly meeting on October 1. Christian and Ashlee from WM provided an in-depth presentation followed by a Q&A session. Afterward, the club voted to join the Smart Business Alliance (SBA) program. On October 14, The Agency and WM returned to provide recycling bins and signage to improve the facility's recycling efforts.
- The Agency scheduled a meeting on October 3 to promote the SBA program and address questions from the River Oaks MHP community board. Christian held a follow-up meeting with River Oaks MHP after their board signed on to participate in the SBA program. With Green Waste's assistance, recycling bins were delivered and strategically placed with proper signage on November 14. Additionally, Christian distributed orange battery bags to encourage proper battery recycling.
- Agency representatives met with Green Waste of Tehama on October 7 to provide feedback on the County Education Plan and discuss strategies for its effective implementation.
- The Agency tabled at the Corning Olive Festival on October 11, engaging festival-goers about recycling, proper household hazardous waste disposal, and backyard composting.
- The Agency met with Green Waste of Tehama on October 21 to review the results of the monthly recycling audits and discuss potential improvements in the auditing process.
- The Agency and Green Waste of Tehama attended a facility tour with the Red Bluff Community Center supervisor on October 29 to determine optimal locations for recycling bins and signage. The center agreed to join the SBA program. New recycling containers were delivered and strategically placed to increase recycling on November 14.
- The Agency attended Good Morning Red Bluff on October 30 to engage with local businesses about recycling opportunities and promoted the Smart Business Alliance program during a community networking event.
- The Agency hosted the Northern California Recycling Collaborative (NCRC) meeting on October 30

to discuss collaborative waste management initiatives with neighboring jurisdictions and industry partners.

- The Agency met with Chris from Deer Creek Broadcasting and analyzed the final used oil campaign data. All three forms of advertisement that were used reached the targeted audience. The performance results revealed the largest audience segments that were successfully reached and engaged.
- The Agency met with staff from Plumas Bank on November 14 to review their current recycling program and introduce them to the SBA program. The bank signed the application, and bins will be delivered when new recycling containers arrive. Green Waste of Tehama assisted with the audit and provided service recommendations.
- The Agency assisted with tabling at the Los Molinos Branch of the Tehama County Library on November 18 and at the Corning Branch on November 20 to promote the Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) program during their children's story time.
- The Agency facilitated a meeting with the staff at Corning High School to present the opportunity to join the SBA on December 3. Agency staff, along with Ashlee from WM, highlighted the resources available through both the Agency and WM. Following the initial meeting, the proposed application was then presented to the school board and received approval. A follow-up meeting is scheduled for January to assess the school's needs for new blue recycling bins and to determine optimal placement strategies.
- The Agency tabled at the LIFT event at the Tehama District Fairgrounds on December 5, promoting proper battery recycling and safe medicine and sharps disposal.
- The Agency and Green Waste of Tehama conducted a recycle audit ride-along on December 8. This was the second round of audits in the Gerber area. Feedback on findings will be emailed to residents. The audits encourage residents to become more mindful of their recycling habits and inspire them to improve.
- The Agency attended the annual Good Morning Red Bluff Christmas Breakfast on December 11 where we engaged with local businesses in Red Bluff about recycling opportunities and the Smart Business Alliance program.
- The Agency promoted the RMDZ program at the Tehama County Library Red Bluff Branch during their Sewing Repair event on December 11. RMDZ Zone Incentive Funds were also used to purchase repair kits that the Library will loan out to patrons.



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Monthly Updates

Requested Action(s)

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Financial Impact:

Background Information:

Included in your agenda packet are the September, October, and November monthly updates. Staff is available to answer any questions.



October 7, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: Directors, Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency

From: Paul Freund, Agency Manager

Subject: September 2025 Monthly Update

1. As required by SB 1383 regulations, the Agency inspected commercial edible food generators and food recovery organizations. Bell Carter Foods, Inc., Highlands Ranch Resort, Corning Union High School District, Corning Union Elementary School District, Red Bluff Joint Union High School, and New Life Assembly Food Pantry were inspected in September.
2. 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.
3. I provided recycling, waste reduction, backyard composting, and proper household hazardous waste (HHW) disposal information to residents attending the Corning Tuesday Night Market on September 2.
4. The yard waste fire that began August 10 was fully extinguished by September 4. An informational update was provided to the Executive Committee on September 4 and additional information and a plan to mitigate future occurrences will be presented to the Full Board on January 5, 2026.
5. Christian met with the Sycamore Heights Apartment Manager, a current SBA member, on September 5 to review progress on their recycling program and delivered additional recycling bins and tote bags for residents.
6. I gave a presentation about the Agency, landfill operations, and upcoming regulations impacting the landfill to the Tehama County Association of Realtors on September 11.
7. Christian conducted a Ride Along Recycling Audit with Green Waste of Tehama's Sustainability Coordinator, Max Bartlett, on September 15 in the Gerber area. He provided recycling tips and feedback to residents and will soon be meeting with Max to

review the results and plan a second audit of the same area to gauge their progress. The Agency also plans to do similar outreach on City of Red Bluff routes once the County audits are completed for the year. The Agency has so far been unsuccessful at coordinating recycling route audits in Corning with WM. We will continue to work with City Manager, Brant Mesker, to encourage WM's participation in doing these useful route audits.

8. Christian provided safe household hazardous waste disposal and recycling information and displayed several of the 4R Kids Exhibit games and the newly wrapped trailer at the Kiwanis Child Safety Day Fair on September 17.
9. Christian gave a presentation to staff and conducted a recycling audit of Triple R Gas on September 18. Triple R Gas joined the SBA and Christian provided them with recycling bins and helped place them strategically throughout their office and breakroom to encourage greater diversion of recyclable materials.
10. I attended the first temporary HHW collection event at Corning's Park and Ride parking lot on September 20 to gauge attendance and provide residents with information on regular collection opportunities at our retail and community partners for universal wastes. We had five residents attend the event and some brought materials that could be taken on a regular basis to those partners in Corning and Los Molinos.
11. Christian visited FoodMaxx on September 5 to review their recycling program and identify their needs for additional recycling bins, and conducted a follow-up visit on September 29 to meet with their Store Manager to provide recommendations on in-store recycling and additional information on the benefits of joining the SBA.
12. The Agency had its monthly meeting with Waste Connections on September 22. We discussed the upcoming scale calibration, upgrades to the yard waste collection area, and cell liner trust fund reports they send to the Agency.
13. Christian continues to have regular check in calls for the used oil recycling video campaign to review the activity and trends.
14. The Agency hosted the final tire collection event of the TA7 grant cycle with staffed locations at Evergreen Middle School and the Corning Park and Ride. Agency staff provided traffic control and outreach to residents, with 990 tires being collected.
15. Agency staff contributed waste reduction, recycling and hazardous waste disposal information to the monthly Lake CA POA newsletter and WasteWise News.

16. Household hazardous waste collection events will be held from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM on the second Saturday of October in Red Bluff and the third Saturday of October in Corning at the new temporary location.

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

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Brant Mesker, Corning City Manager
Carolyn Steffan, Tehama City Clerk/Administrator



November 6, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: Directors, Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency

From: Paul Freund, Agency Manager

Subject: October 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. I attended the Disaster Management for Public Services and Public Works training on October 1 and October 2. The focus of the training was geared towards Emergency Managers but it provided valuable information if the landfill is involved in a disaster cleanup.
3. Christian was joined by WM's Recycling Education Representative, Ashlee Veneman, to give a "Recycling 101" presentation and answer questions about recycling and composting to members of the Maywood Women's Club on October 1. Following the presentation the club voted to join the Agency's Smart Business Alliance (SBA) program. Christian and Ashlee returned on October 14 to provide the club with recycling bins and signage to help them improve their recycling efforts.
4. Christian met with River Oaks MHP in Red Bluff on October 3 to discuss the benefits of joining the SBA program. Their Board decided to join the SBA and were provided with orange battery bags to hand out to their residents to encourage greater diversion of batteries from the landfill. A follow-up meeting was scheduled for November to provide them with recycling bins and signage.
5. I attended the Manton Apple Festival on October 4. Almost 100 food scrap pails were given to Tehama County residents along with information and demonstrations on how to start and maintain a backyard compost pile.
6. The Agency met with Green Waste of Tehama on October 7 to review and provide feedback on their 2026 Education Plan for Tehama County. The Agency was also given

their 2026 Education Plan for Red Bluff on October 13 and provided them with feedback on October 14.

7. I attended Tehama Together's Food Share meeting on October 9 hosted by Food for the Hungry at the Los Molinos United Methodist Church. Representatives from PATH, Rancho Tehama Community Church, Salvation Army, Tehama County Department of Education, and High Point Assembly were in attendance. Several food pantries have seen a decline in produce being donated, but other donations remain consistent. We also discussed ideas for increasing knowledge of food preparation for their clients and the potential to divert cookware and utensils in good condition from the landfill to their clients.
8. Christian attended the Corning Olive Festival on October 11 promoting recycling, proper household hazardous waste disposal, and backyard composting. Several oil drain containers and food scrap pails were given to attendees, along with other outreach flyers.
9. The Agency conducted a load check of a residential haul truck from Tehama County on October 14. A few battery-powered kid's toys, loose batteries, a few oil filters, spray cans with liquid contents, and a flat screen TV were found.
10. I attended the RCRC ESJPA meeting in-person in Sacramento on October 16. Circular Action Alliance presented updates on SB 54, the Plastic Pollution and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act (2022), and how it will impact local jurisdictions by providing funding for infrastructure if all covered materials are collected. The Agency will be paying close attention to this new law and how it will affect our operations and jurisdictions. Information was also shared about various bills sponsored or tracked by the ESJPA, a detailed account of Agency-sponsored legislation will be provided at the January Full Board Meeting, and I participated in the afternoon discussion on their Rural Zero Waste Plan.
11. I was on vacation from October 18 to October 26.
12. I gave a tour of the Landfill and MRF to Heather Taylor, a new reporter for the Red Bluff Daily News, on October 27. She wrote a great article about the Landfill that was published on the front page of the Daily News on October 31. A copy of the article is included at the end of this update.
13. The Agency had its monthly meeting with Waste Connections on October 27. We discussed their final upgrades to the yard waste collection area, future upgrades to the collection bins before the scales, and cell liner trust fund withdrawals for the Cell 3 construction project that has been completed.

14. Christian met with Green Waste of Tehama's Sustainability Coordinator, Max Bartlett, on October 21 to review the results from their last recycling audit ride along and discuss improvements to the process.
15. Christian and Max from Green Waste visited the Red Bluff Community Center on October 29 to discuss the SBA program and identify areas for recycling bins and signage. The Community Center joined the SBA and Christian will provide them with recycling bins in November and help place them strategically throughout the center to encourage greater diversion of recyclable materials.
16. Christian attended the Red Bluff-Tehama County Chamber of Commerce's Good Morning Red Bluff event on October 30 to share recycling tips for businesses and promote the SBA program.
17. The Agency hosted the Northern California Recycling Collaborative meeting on October 30 with attendees from Trinity County, Shasta County, City of Anderson, Glenn County, Lake County, Hambro Recycling (recently bought Big Foot Recycling), Waste Connections, and WM.
18. Christian continues to have regular check in calls for the used oil recycling video campaign to review the activity and trends.
19. The Agency submitted the Final Report and Payment Request for the TA7 grant on October 30. 3,489 tires were collected at four Passenger Tire Collection events and two Ag Tire collection months during the grant cycle. The Agency was not awarded the TA8 grant, but if funds are available, we will be notified in spring/summer of 2026.
20. Agency staff contributed waste reduction, recycling and hazardous waste disposal information to the monthly Lake CA POA newsletter and WasteWise News.
21. Household hazardous waste collection events will be held from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM on the second Saturday of November in Red Bluff and the third Saturday of November in Corning at the new temporary location.

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Tehama County Landfill tour shows ways for community reuse



An informational sign about the landfill stands outside their office. Installation of additional signs is planned, to provide more education to the public. (Heather Taylor/Daily News)



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While the Tehama County landfill may, at first glance, seem only a place to dump trash and recyclables, it also offers a number of items and services to give back to the community.

During a visit to the landfill in late October, Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency Manager Paul Freund shared some of the facility's functions and how the community can engage with the services offered.

Freund welcomes the public to reach out or to schedule a tour. Lately, the landfill has mostly hosted tours for smaller homeschool groups, who have the opportunity to use the facility's many-windowed conference room that overlooks the green hills of the landfill. The facility is – perhaps surprisingly – a beautiful location, in many ways.

In the spring, Freund said, it is covered in wildflowers, and because of the somewhat remote location at the end of Plymire Road in Red Bluff, it has unimpeded views of the surrounding landscape, all the way to the outlying mountains in the distance, capped with snow.

Field-trippers and tour-goers have the opportunity to learn about the facility's recycling efforts and to work there. Educating the public about ways to reduce, reuse, recycle, and rebuy is important, Freund shared.

In-person at the landfill, the importance of these concepts has a physical representation. A large, lined hole represents phase two of the landfill. The original phase is now capped and covered. This second phase looks relatively empty at the moment, but Freund said that at current dumping rates, it will take about 24 years to fill it.

There's more waste when the economy is good, Freund said, and less when people are pinching pennies and making efforts to buy less or find methods to reuse items instead of throwing them away.

A large portion of the recycling from the landfill is processed and shipped out by weight, including cardboard like that found in packaging. Among the large bales of compacted cardboard waiting to be shipped out, several patches still bore visible Amazon branding from boxes shipped to homes or businesses.

Reducing waste or reusing items is helpful, Freund explained, but people can also look into “rebuying.” This is the idea of buying items made from recycled materials, so those materials have new life. Freund mentioned items like pens made from recycled water bottles as ones the public can repurchase.

All these efforts impact landfill operations and recycling, but the landfill also works to provide more immediate, tangible benefits to the public.

In their sunny office, there is a dedicated room for reusable items, where the public can stop in to peruse and pick up items for home projects. Not only does this mean they do not have to go out and buy new materials, but it also gives the landfill an opportunity to not have to recycle or dispose of these items.

The shelves were somewhat empty in October, but Freund says they are often fuller, especially after spring cleaning, when residents might be emptying their garages.

Items available included wood stains and paints that the recycling staff determined are still good to use. This resource is what most often brings members of the public to the office, Freund said.

Beyond the reuse room, the landfill opens up their “swap shop” intermittently, which they announce on social media ahead of time. This large shed, located near the recycling center, is gradually filled with items that could have a second life.

At a previous swap shop event in July, the landfill advertised pallets, bricks, drainage ditches, and erosion control materials. They can also have toys and tools available.

In the past, Freund said there have been new, still-wrapped mattresses. The swap shop can empty out reasonably quickly, as the items are offered free to county residents, who are often excited to find new-to-them items for their homes.

Outside the swap shop, employees will also collect bikes to be picked up by the local nonprofit, The Freewheel Connection. The organization passes on bikes to kids in the community who may not otherwise have them.

Residents can also check in to see if they can pick up mulch for their gardens, created from green yard waste. During the tour, Freund pointed out a Sierra Pacific Industries truck and showed untreated, unpainted lumber in the business’s green waste pile. This, and other yard waste, can be turned into mulch, which can then be used in gardens or landscaping.

Those interested in tours or landfill programs should reach out to the office at 530-528-1103 or at tehamacountylandfill.com. The landfill is located at 19995 Plymire Rd, Red Bluff, and the office is up the hill to the right just before entering.



December 8, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: Directors, Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency

From: Paul Freund, Agency Manager

Subject: November 2025 Monthly Update

1. As required by SB 1383 regulations, the Agency inspected commercial edible food generators and food recovery organizations. Nu-Way Market, Nash's Olive Oil, Good Faith Farm, PATH Food Pantry, Salvation Army Food Pantry, The Lord's Table Food Pantry, and Corning Christian Assistance Food Pantry were inspected in November.
2. 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.
3. I attended the Sacramento River Discovery Center's Fall Plant Festival on November 1 to provide backyard compost information and demonstrations, gave away food scrap pails, and promoted the Tehama County Recycling Market Development Zone (TCRMDZ) as compost businesses can qualify for loans and assistance through that program.
4. Christian was joined by Waste Connections' Sustainability Coordinator, Max Bartlett, to meet with the River Oaks MHP Board on November 4. River Oaks recently joined the Smart Business Alliance (SBA), and Christian and Max helped them strategically place Agency-provided recycling bins and signage to help them improve their recycling efforts.
5. I attended the RMDZ ZoneWorks virtual meeting on November 5 to learn about new ways to promote the RMDZ and unique ways that Zone Incentive Funds (ZIF) funds can be used. The Agency is currently partnering with the Tehama County Library and California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) on a project to promote reuse and repair using ZIF funds.
6. I was on vacation November 10.
7. Christian was joined by Waste Connections' Sustainability Coordinator, Max Bartlett, to meet with Plumas Bank on November 14 to assess their current recycling programs and

discuss joining the SBA. Plumas Bank agreed to join the SBA, and Christian and Max will return in December to help them strategically place Agency-provided recycling bins and signage to help them improve their recycling efforts. Christian and Max also stopped by the Red Bluff Community Center, who joined the SBA in October, to help them strategically place recycling bins and signage.

8. The Agency participated in the Tehama County Library's Storytime at each library branch on November 18, 19, and 20 to promote the TCRMDZ and help educate children and their parents on the importance of waste reduction, recycling and repair. These events were part of the project between the Agency, Tehama County Library, and CPSC to promote reuse and repair. An upcoming hands-on event for mending clothing will be held on December 11 at the Red Bluff branch of the Tehama County Library.
9. The Agency held its monthly meeting with Waste Connections on November 21. We discussed new equipment arriving in the coming months, upcoming maintenance for the recycling sorting line and methane gas collection system, and an increase in trespassers during the overnight hours. While nothing of great value has been taken, nor have the Agency's office and vehicles been tampered with, it is causing their staff to clean up more often and frequently repair holes in the fence near the entrance gate. We discussed some strategies to try identifying the trespassers as the cameras Waste Connections currently use could not clearly identify them.
10. Christian finished his regular check in calls for the used oil recycling video campaign that ended in November. The advertiser met the targeted engagement, they advised that shorter ads would perform better, and that Facebook ads outperformed YouTube ads.
11. Agency staff contributed waste reduction, recycling and hazardous waste disposal information to the monthly Lake CA POA newsletter and WasteWise News.
12. Household hazardous waste collection events will be held from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM on the second Saturday of December in Red Bluff and the third Saturday of December in Corning at the new temporary location. December will also be the last event for the Corning temporary location.

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