



**MONO COUNTY
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SOLID WASTE DIVISION**

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Mono County Solid Waste Task Force

Meeting of September 17, 2015

1:00-3:00 p.m.

**Board of Supervisors Meeting Room
Sierra Center Mall, Mammoth Lakes**

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to order.

In attendance:

Tony Dublino-Mono County

Jill Kearney-LEA

Grady Dutton-Town of Mammoth Lakes

Karl Schnadt-Mammoth Community Water District

Delinda Briggs-Queen Valley Resources LLC

Rick Vahl- Mammoth Disposal

Michelle Erwin-Mammoth Disposal

Jeph Gundzik/Queen Valley Resources (QVR) LLC

Sean Somers/Westin Monache

2. Public Comment on items not on the agenda.

Sean Somers – Manager and sustainability champion for Westin Monache. present to show support for QVR. Westin as a company wants to save energy, water, and promote sustainability. As a company, it is a priority.

Westin looked into composting and possibility of food waste recycling at their site, but did not have land available. They were approached by QVR about recycling the waste. Approx 20% waste is food waste. They worked out logistics to partner with QVR for segregation of food waste and composting.

Jeph Gundzik – provided a QVR update: Received approval from NDOT for approach on Hwy 6, have developed project site plan with agricultural operations. Have obtained rights from NV Division of Water Resources for additional 600 acre feet/yr of groundwater in addition to 660 af/y surface water right. Provided handout for group.

Motion to move Item 7 up to continue discussion.

Discussion ensued regrading collection issues, cost implications, potential for lost revenue at the landfill. Contacts were made between QVR reps and waste haulers present.

3. Approval of Minutes from March 12, 2015.

Motion Schnadt second Dutton approved unanimous

4. SWTF Bylaws presentation of final versions approved by Town and County – discussion of changes made by BOS regarding haulers being non-voting members

Discussion of changes, explanation of how process worked.

5. Plastic bag Ban

Grady Dutton explained Town's efforts on Plastic Bag Ban ordinance. The first reading occurred Sept 16, last night, will become effective March 1st 2016. Will allow merchants to use stock of plastic bags. If state version goes into place, state version will preempt Town version. With Town approval, County will likely consider similar ordinance.

6. C&D Diversion

Discussion by Jill Kearney about permitting requirements for C&D sorting operations – when a permit is required, what level of permit is required for sorting, associated tons per day for various permit levels. Discussion about County diversion practices at Benton Crossing, and how contractors can take advantage of the pricing incentives as well as achieving higher diversion for projects.

7. Organics Recycling (moved to above)

8. Update on Flow Agreement between Town and County

The direction from Town Council on July 15th was discussed. Dutton says it is a priority for Holler. Coordination continues but no agreement has been drafted as of yet.

9. Adjourn to next meeting –March 2016.

Adjourned at 2:45