

**Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King County
Management Coordination Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 17, 2009**

Attendees:

MCC

Jeff Gaisford, KCSWD, Chair
Tim Croll, SPU
Barbara Wright, PHSKC
Mark Isaacson, KCWLRD

Program Administration

Liz Tennant
Michelle Pederson

Program Partner Staff

Dave Galvin, KCWLRD
Lauren Cole, KCSWD
Julie Vorhes, SPU
Ryan Kellogg, PHSKC

Trudy Rolla, PHSKC
Paul Shallow, PHSKC
Margaret Shield, KCWLRD
Rika Cecil, City of Shoreline
Rey Verduzco, KCWLRD

Guest:

Pam Cobby, Roth Hill Engineering,
Soos Creek Water/Sewer District

Introductions:

- Introductions were made.

Review of October 2009 Meeting Minutes:

- The October MCC meeting minutes were approved with no changes.

Presentation Items:

Environmental Quality Team (EQT)

- Rey Verduzco, one of the EQT team leads gave a PowerPoint presentation on their work.
- The EQT provides technical assistance to small quantity generators (SQG) business.
- Site visits are targeted based on historical knowledge of the businesses, whether the sites have solvents and other priority materials, and where they are located (in environmentally sensitive areas).
- We maintain a reporting system, called Request for Action (RFA), which addresses service requests and complaints. It electronically dispatches RFAs to appropriate Program staff and partners.
- A copy of the presentation will be filed with these minutes.

Discussion Items:

Legislative Update (Margaret Shield):

- Margaret presented an overview of legislative issues.
- Her update included information about the Mercury Lighting Bill; Department of Ecology (Ecology) analysis supports a producer financed mechanism/collection methods.
- Kurt Triplett, David Fleming and Jay Watson all sent support letters for the Mercury Lighting Bill.
- Margaret compared the producer-finance model to the rate-model. Haulers are pushing more towards the rate-model.
- Rika Cecil said she would help with obtaining a support letter from Cleanscapes that supports the producer-financing model.
- Margaret also said that the Secure Medicine Return Bill that will be introduced has all the elements that we thought necessary; but, it was noted that it would also need to include hospice to be comprehensive. She also said that the Suburban Cities Association (SCA) was sending a letter to the Legislature in support of the bill as well.
- Margaret also updated MCC on a new bill from Ecology that will address copper brake pads for cars.

Plan Update (Liz Tennant):

- The Staff Review Draft of the Plan Update was reviewed with staff at the October 28th All staff meeting. Jay has received a few comments that will be considered in developing the Public Review draft.
- The Plan Update is on track for public review by end of November or beginning of December. We are planning for a 60-day comment period. No major issues or objections have been raised about the process or the content at this point in time.
- Jeff Gaisford observed that while there is a “future directions” section at the end of each main part of the Plan Update, there isn’t a clear summary of what the services the Program is planning to offer. He suggested that we should be clear about that. Liz responded that there will be an Executive Summary, and that would be one place to address this.
- MCC approved the release of the Plan Update draft for public comment when it is ready.

MCC Rules & Procedures (Liz Tennant):

- Liz presented the final draft of the MCC Rules of Procedure. It was noted that the date and year would need to be added to the final document.
- Jay will seek Ron Hansen’s signature at a later date.
- MCC approved and adopted the Rules of Procedure.

Program Administrator’s Evaluation:

- This item was deferred, in Jay’s absence, until the December meeting.

Program Administrator Update (Liz Tennant):

- The King County Council has not yet acted on the Program’s 2010 budget, but approval was anticipated in the later part of November.
- SCA will be selecting a new representative to the MCC and Jay is working with the SCA Executive Director on this issue.

- The October 28 all staff meeting was well received by staff, and good feedback was obtained. Jay will be consolidating the comments, reviewing them with Core Team and the MCC, and distributing them to staff.
- Staff proposed some potential Program name changes that he will discuss with Core Team and review with MCC for their consideration.
- Work is continuing on examining the solid waste portion of our fee structure by FCS Consultants. Select Program staff will meet with representatives from the solid waste haulers on November 18th to get their comments on the workability of some of the potential options.
- An auditor from King County Executive Audit Services is reviewing our compliance with the past financial procedures recommendations. He will provide a report in December.
- Jay is planning a meeting with Carrie Cihak/BOH staff, to further discuss our Plan Update and other requests that we might make of them in 2010.
- Jay and Madelaine are working with all of our Program Partner Agencies on an overhead cost report for the MCC. We anticipate that report will be ready for MCC in December.
- Ecology has issued its proposed guidelines for developing and updating Local Hazardous Waste Plans. The proposed guidelines continue to be problematic, with assertions of authority that we believe are beyond what is supported by statute or regulation. Ecology is accepting comments until December 31st. We will be providing comments on behalf of the Program.
- We have posted the 2nd Quarter Report on our web site and it will also be sent to the MCC for their review. The 3rd Quarter Report is also being prepared for release shortly.

Decision Items:

- None.

Next Meeting:

- The next MCC meeting will be held on **December 15, 6th floor, King/Chinook conference rooms located at King Street Center.**
