

**Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King County
Management Coordination Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 19, 2009**

Attendees:

MCC

Jeff Gaisford, KSWD, Chair
Ron Hansen, SCA/City of Shoreline
Mark Isaacson, WLRD
Barbara Wright, PHSKC

Program Administration

Jay Watson
Liz Tennant
Michelle Pederson

Program Partner Staff

Dave Galvin, WLRD
Cheri Grasso, WLRD
Lauren Cole, KSWD
Julie Vorhes, SPU
Ryan Kellogg, PHSKC
Julie Mitchell, WLRD
Rika Cecil, City of Shoreline
Mary Rabourn, WLRD
Will Perry, PHSKC
Richard Thompson, WLRD

Introductions:

- Introductions were made.

Review of February, March, April 2009 Meeting Minutes:

- The February and March MCC meeting minutes were approved with no changes. MCC made one correction to the April MCC meeting minutes: on page 2, under bullet 2010 Budget, the name of the King County Wastewater Treatment division was corrected.

Presentation Items:

SQG (small quantity generators) Pilot Project:

- Richard Thompson and Julie Mitchell gave an update on the Program's SQG (small quantity generator) pilot project. That project allows businesses and institutions to drop off household type and quantities of hazardous waste at our three fixed and one mobile collection facilities. While the project is tentatively budgeted to extend through the end of 2010, the MCC will revisit it soon to assess determine whether it should continue in its present mode of operation.
- (A copy of their Powerpoint presentation will be filed with these minutes.)

Pharmaceutical Take Back project:

- Will Perry and Cherri Grasso gave an update on the Program's Pharmaceuticals project.
- The MCC discussed one of the project's fliers and made some suggestions on changes that they wanted to see with regard to its design and the need to convey that this project had local government involvement and support. Staff will revise the flier to address the MCC's concerns.

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Discussion Items:

Communications & Coordination: none

Legislative Update:

- The MCC was informed that the letter that they approved in support of Congressman Inslee's bill to revise take back provisions for narcotics (HR 1191) was sent to the appropriate committees in Congress, and the Congressman Inslee was appreciative of the support. The MCC was also informed that Seattle Mayor Nickels and the King County Board of Health were also working on letters of support for the bill based on the MCC's letter.

Plan Update Status:

- Jay said comments that were compiled from the Plan Update workshop had been posted on the Program's website, along with the current draft of the scope for the Plan Update. Those comments, and the draft scope, will be available for review. We will be taking additional comments from the public on the Plan Update Scope by mail, e-mail and phone until the end of June. Then a proposed scope for the Plan Update will be brought to the MCC for approval.
- Jay is also pursuing other ways to obtain input from some of our targeted service communities (historically undeserved and vulnerable populations) other than through the website. He has engaged specific staff and a contractor (paid out of an Ecology grant) to undertake additional efforts that might include focus groups, community leader interviews, surveys and reviewing existing data about the use of, and the barriers to, our services.

- **2010 Budget Update:**

- By the end of April, the Core Team had developed a budget package for 2010 that met the parameters that the MCC had set for approval (a 2010 budget amount, along with additional savings from 2009, and a budget target for 2011, that would cumulatively keep the program solvent and maintain a \$1.5 million positive ending fund balance through the end of 2011). Jay said that he would continue to work with the Core Team to articulate those pledged savings commitments, by agency, for 2009 and 2011.

- **Program Administrator's Update:**

- Jay distributed the 2008 Annual Report to the MCC in hard copy. He said he would also make it available on our Program website. The MCC directed Jay to develop an executive summary, and to provide the report and summary to the Board of Health.
- Theresa Jennings, King County DNRP Director, had requested a briefing from Jay on the Program's priorities in preparation for her taking over past County Executive Ron Sims' position on the Puget Sound Partnership's Ecosystem Coordination Board (PSP). Jay said that he would focus narrowly on our pharmaceutical and mercury lighting take back legislation, and getting the PSP's support in the next legislative session.

- He also noted that the Program budget package was completed and approved by the MCC at the end of April and was submitted to Public Health accounting, for them to forward to OMB, by the end of May.
- **Next Meeting:**
- The next MCC meeting will be held on **June 16, 2009, 6th floor, King/Chinook conference rooms located at King Street Center.**
