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AGENDA TUOLUMNE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Solid Waste Committee November 12, 2025 at 1:00 P.M.

LOCATION:
Public Works Department
Committee & Commissions Room
48 Yaney Avenue, Sonora, CA 95370

ZOOM OPTION AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC

Meeting ID: 896 4870 3978

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1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. PUBLIC FORUM

The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken by the Committee. The amount of time allocated for the public forum is limited to 15 minutes.

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- a. Consideration of approving the minutes of the meeting on October 8, 2025.

4. STAFF / COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. America Recycles Day
- b. 1,000 ton usage report

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- a. Discussion of contracts and program focus areas for 2026.
- b. Consideration and vote on changing the meeting frequency from monthly to every other month.

6. NEXT MEETING – January 14, 2026

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Board of Supervisors Solid Waste Committee serves as an advisory group to the Board of Supervisors by reviewing, commenting on and recommending new and/or modifications to existing policy related to the Solid Waste Collection, management and disposal systems within the County.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Department of Public Works at (209) 533-5601. Notifications 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the County to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.



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TUOLUMNE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Solid Waste Committee

October 8, 2025, at 1:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mike Holland, District 1 Supervisor; Mike Griffin, At-Large Public Committee Member; Andy Merrill, Sonora City Council Member; John La Torre, At-Large Public Committee Member

STAFF: Debbie Reagan, Solid Waste Director; Halee Oakes, Administrative Technician; Amy Welch, Solid Waste Specialist; Monique Figueroa, Solid Waste Technician; Emma Hawks, Assistant to the Department Head

GUESTS: Vanessa Barberis, Public Sector Manager Waste Management; Javier Sanchez, Waste Management Recycling Coordinator; Trevor Evans, Cal Sierra District Operations Manager; Casey Vaccarezza, Cal-Waste Representative

ABSENT: Anaiah Kirk, District 3 Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Holland called the meeting of Wednesday, October 8, 2025, to order at 1:00 P.M.

PUBLIC FORUM

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Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Supervisor Holland closed the public forum.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. Consideration of approving the minutes of the meeting on Wednesday, September 10, 2025.

Supervisor Holland looked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Solid Waste Committee Meeting on Wednesday, September 10, 2025. A minor change and addition was requested by Committee Member Griffin noting that City of Sonora residents will still be able to bring trash to the Cal Sierra Transfer Station. A motion was made by Committee Member Griffin and a second by Committee Member La Torre, motion passes 3-0.

STAFF / COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. 10/11 Green Waste Dollar Dump Day Event

Debbie Reagan gave a report on an upcoming green waste event for Tuolumne County residents. On Saturday, October 11, 2025, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 11:45 A.M. and 12:30 P.M. and 3:30 P.M., the Tuolumne County Solid Waste Division, in co-operation with Cal Sierra Disposal will be hosting the last quarterly Green Waste Dollar Day event for the year. This event will give residents an opportunity to clear their property of hazardous vegetation, up to one (1) cubic yard, and dispose of it at a significantly reduced disposal rate of \$1.00 a cubic yard (3x3x3). Any waste over one (1) cubic yard will be charged the regular rate for disposal.

B. Upcoming Firewise Events

Debbie Reagan provided an update to the committee on two upcoming Firewise community events. Scenic Brook will hold a community event on Saturday, October 18, 2025, and the Greenley Oaks community has an event scheduled for Saturday, November 8, 2025.

C. America Recycles Day – November 15, 2025

On Saturday, November 15, 2025, from 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M., Tuolumne County Public Works Department, Solid Waste Division will be hosting a free drive-thru recycling event at the Motherlode Fairgrounds located at 220 Southgate Drive in Sonora. This will be a one-stop recycling event where you will be able to recycle a wide variety of items including mattresses and box springs, tires, cardboard, scrap metal, eyeglasses, e-waste, magazine and newspaper, household hazardous waste, textiles, mixed recycling, mercury thermometers, batteries, light bulbs, and paper shredding. No household trash will be accepted. This event is for Tuolumne County residents only, no businesses allowed.

D. Dump Coupon Update

Debbie Reagan provided an update on the “Keep Tuolumne Clean” Coupons that the Solid Waste Division has been giving out since the April Home and Garden Show for all Tuolumne County residents. The coupons were set to expire September 30, 2025, but have been extended to December 31, 2025. Coupons will be available at our office in the A.N. Francisco Building located at 48 Yaney Avenue in Sonora from 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. Monday - Friday.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

A. City of Sonora collection services change – County impacts

Debbie Reagan confirmed that County Facilities within Sonora City limits will still be serviced under the existing franchise agreement with Cal Sierra/WM.

The longer-term impact comes with the Cal Sierra Transfer Station no longer receiving integrated waste management fees from the City’s materials. The County would like to see the Transfer Station keeping track of who comes in and out through City and County zip codes specifically for self-haul.

City residents will still be allowed to haul to the transfer station and access the County’s monthly household hazardous waste disposal events.

Cal Waste plans to begin service the week of November 3, 2025, and will have a local office on Stockton Road in Downtown Sonora. Cal Waste will be removing existing Cal Sierra Disposal bins and replacing them in the coming weeks.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board of Supervisors Solid Waste Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 1:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Holland adjourned the Board of Supervisors Solid Waste Committee Meeting of Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 1:28 P.M.