



# San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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## Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee Solid Waste Working Group

### MINUTES

February 22, 2010

#### 1.0 Introductions

##### Agencies Present:

S. Pedroza Claremont  
M. Mohajer IWM Task Force  
N. Morell LACSD  
H. Morris Pomona  
H. Maloney Monrovia  
L. Przybylo LA County DPW

##### Guests:

Z. Karimi City of LA  
D. Morris HF&H Consultants

##### 1.1 Informational Items

- i. January 25, 2010 Meeting Notes

#### 2.0 Discussion Items

##### 2.1 City of Los Angeles' Food Waste Recycling Program

Zafar Karimi gave a brief presentation regarding the City of Los Angeles' food waste recycling program. Created in 2007, the program takes food waste from participating restaurants which is then utilized for composting and other beneficial purposes. The program is part of the mayor's goal to obtain 70% diversion by 2015. To date, the program has 950 restaurants participating with 50,000 tons already diverted.

##### 2.2 Used Oil Grant Administration and Management

Debbie Morris presented on how cities could effectively manage used oil grants. Debbie noted that used oil grants have been reduced by 50% for cities with over 50,000 residents. All together, the SGV received nearly \$233,000 in money for used oil recycling and due to the decrease in funding, Debbie suggested that cities consider regionalizing used oil grant funds thereby reducing expenditures for cities.

#### 3.0 Items for Future Meetings

##### 3.1 Wasteboard Grant presentation on Take Back Programs

#### 4.0 Set next meeting date

##### 4.1 Next Meeting will take place March 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### 5.0 Adjournment

##### 5.1 Meeting ended at 11:16 am