



San Benito County Integrated Waste Management Regional Agency Local Task Force

IWM Task Force Members: San Juan Bautista Councilmember & Local Task Force Chair **John Freeman**, City of Hollister Council Member **Rick Perez**, City of Hollister Council Member **Dolores Morales** (Alternate), San Benito County Board of Supervisor **Bea Gonzales**, San Benito County Board of Supervisor **Dom Zanger** (Alternate)

IWM Staff: County Resource Management Agency Public Works Administrator **Steve Loupe**, IWM Manager **Celina Stotler**, IWM Staff Analyst **Kathryn Ramirez**, IWM Recycling Coordinator **Frankie Sanchez**, IWM Staff Services Specialist **Esmeralda Gomez-Del Real**, IWM Recycling Intern **Laurie Tankersley**.

Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Local Task Force

Meeting Minutes Thursday, December 12th, 2024 10:00 AM

I. Call to Order

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Acknowledge [Certificate of Posting](#)
4. Approve minutes for the [June 20, 2024](#) and [September 26, 2024](#) meeting.

Meeting was held in the San Benito County Chamber and by Zoom.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Freeman at 10:04 a.m.

The following LTF members were present: Chair John Freeman, Councilmember Rick Perez, and Supervisor Bea Gonzales.

The following IWM Staff were present: Celina Stotler, Kathryn Ramirez, Frankie Sanchez, Esmeralda Gomez.

Acknowledge Certificate of Posting - posted on Dec 9th at 9:43 p.m.

Chair Freeman verbally acknowledged the certificate of posting on the record.

Approve minutes for June 20th and September 26th, 2024. (Previous - June 20th)

Supervisor Gonzales made a motion to approve June 20th minutes. Second by Councilmember Perez.

Supervisor Gonzales made a motion to approve Sept. 26th minutes. Second by Councilmember Perez.

II. Staff Announcements

Details Below.

III. IWM Local Task Force Member Announcements

Details Below.

IV. Public Comment



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V. [Presentations](#) and Discussion Items

1. Recology San Benito County Quarterly Updates

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2. Review of IWM Regional Agency FY23-24 Billing & FY24-25 Quarterly Expenditures

Details Below

3. Task Force Member Recognition.

Details Below

VI. Adjourn

Chair Freeman made a motion to adjourn at 10:59 am. The agenda was completed in totality.

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Meeting Details:

Staff Announcements

IWM Staff Analyst, Kathryn Ramirez, delivered updates and announcements of IWM programming, including grants and funding updates, Q4 2024 events and upcoming events.

Illegal Dumping and Litter Abatement Coordinator, Frankie Sanchez, delivered illegal dumping and litter abatement program updates, specifically cameras, signage, and MFD outreach updates.

Supervisor Gonzales suggested IWM work with the Public Information Officer to spread awareness of illegal dumping penalties, and to inform residents of free programs and services.

IWM Local Task Force Member Announcements

Councilmember Perez provided positive feedback regarding his service on the LTF and thanked



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IWM staff.

Supervisor Gonzales echoed Perez's comments and thanked IWM staff.

Chair Freeman provided a Central Coast Community Energy program update and thanked IWM staff.

Public Comment

Recology General Manager, Mike Kelly praised and thanked the LTF and IWM staff.

Presentations

1. Recology San Benito County Quarterly Updates

Zero Waste Manager, Adrian Sahagun, presented on Q3 updates including, diversion rates, residential highlights (outreach efforts, social media, etc.), commercial highlights (organics service, event diversion, etc.), and the "Keep San Benito Bonito" Art Poster Contest.

Supervisor Gonzales questioned the process of waste diversion and sorting at events. She shared she had some difficulties with sorting waste at the employee appreciation luncheon.

IWM Manager, Celina Stotler, acknowledged the feedback and agreed there is a lot of opportunity for improvement at the next event. IWM will work with the County Admin team on improved zero-waste event initiatives.

No Public Comment.

2. Review of IWM Regional Agency FY 23-24 Expenditures

IWM Manager, Celina Stotler, presented on the FY23-24 RA billing and the FY24-25 RA expenditures to date.

Supervisor Gonzales thanked staff for providing detailed reports and inquired on the cost sharing distribution to each Regional Agency member.

IWM Manager, Celina Stotler, provided greater detail on the cost sharing distribution.

Chair Freeman echoed Supervisor Gonzales comments.

3. Take Force Member Recognition

Kathryn provided words of recognition and acknowledgment to the LTF members and provided certificates and tokens of appreciation.

IWM Manager, Celina Stotler, provided additional acknowledgement and thanked the LTF members for their service.

Supervisor Gonzales, Councilmember Perez, and Chair Freeman thanked the IWM team and expressed gratitude for serving on the LTF.

No Public Comment.