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Agenda - Final

Monday, December 15, 2025 1:30 PM

Yountville Town Council Chambers 6550 Yount St. Yountville

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

CITY OF CALISTOGA
Scott Cooper, Vice Chair * Irais Lopez-Ortega, Alternate
CITY OF ST. HELENA
Aaron Barak, Member * Kate Spadarotto, Alternate
NAPA COUNTY

Anne Cottrell, Chair * Amber Manfree, Member * Joelle Gallagher, Alternate
TOWN OF YOUNTVILLE
Hillary Bolt Trimes Marsh or * Bornes Alternate

Hillery Bolt Trippe, Member * Pam Reeves, Alternate

Steve Lederer, Manager * Alice Ramirez, Secretary/Clerk Gary Bell, Legal Counsel * Tracy Schulze, Auditor * Bob Minahen, Treasurer

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

In this time period, anyone who wishes to speak to the Authority Board of Directors regarding any subject over which the Board has jurisdiction, that is not on the agenda, or to request consideration to place an item on a future Board agenda, may do so at this time. Individuals will be limited to a three minute presentation. The Board of Directors will take no action as a result of any item presented at this time.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

25-2049

REQUESTED ACTION: Approval of the October 20, 2025 special meeting minutes.

Attachments: Minutes (October 20, 2025)

B. ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT

25-2056

REQUESTED ACTION: Approval and Acceptance of the Authority's annual June 30, 2025 financial audit.

Attachments: Financial Audit Report

Financial Audit Letter

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Staff to provide an update on
the status of activities relevant to the Act.

Attachments: 2025 Calistoga Event Data

B. CA LULAC PRESENTATION

25-2061

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION: Board to receive a presentation by The California League of United Latin American Citizens (CA LULAC).

Attachments: CA LULAC Presentation Waterboard. Updated

Public Comment -Clover Flat Waste Management fatalities 2025

7. FRANCHISES' BUSINESS ITEMS

A. FRANCHISES' STATUS

25-2051

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Agency Manager and Company to provide an update concerning the implementation of franchises' activities.

Attachments: Q3 2025 Report

B. WASTE MANAGEMENT COMPANIES' ISSUES

25-2052

DISCUSSION ITEM: This is an opportunity for the franchisee(s) to discuss/raise any items of concern they may wish the UVA to consider.

8. OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

A. MANAGER'S REPORT

25-2055

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Manager to provide an update on the status of current activities.

Attachments: Financials

Settlement between Napa County and Clover Flat Landfill

Endorsed Complaint 9.12.25
Executed Final Judgment 9.16.25

<u>Public Comment -Ellsworth, Geoff email 10.20.25</u> Public Comment -Sandoval, Jacob email 10.20.25

B. REPORTS FROM JURISDICTIONS

25-2053

DISCUSSION ITEM: Reports by the member jurisdictions of current information relevant to the Agency:

Napa County

Calistoga

St. Helena

Yountville

C. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

25-2054

DISCUSSION ITEM: Discussion of any items Board members wish to have addressed at a future meeting date.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Agency Board of Directors will be held on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 1:30 p.m. in the Yountville Town Council Meeting Chambers or as noted.



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Board Agenda Letter

1195 THIRD STREET SUITE 310 NAPA, CA 94559 www.napacounty.gov

Main: (707) 253-4580

Agenda Date: 12/15/2025

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2049

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

REPORT BY: Alice Ramirez - Secretary/Clerk, UVWMA

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

REQUESTED ACTION: Approval of the October 20, 2025 special meeting minutes.

BACKGROUND

Staff recommends approval of the October 20, 2025 special meeting minutes. *Minutes attached.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.



MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 20, 2025 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Upper Valley Waste Management Agency met in special session on Monday, October 20, 2025, at 1:30p.m. at Yountville Town Council Chambers. Chair Cottrell called the meeting to order at 1:30p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Vice Chair Cooper, Member Bolt Trippe, Member Manfree, Chair Cottrell, Member Barak is excused.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Cottrell led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

During this period, anyone who wishes to speak to the Authority Board of Directors regarding any subject over which the Board has jurisdiction that is not on the agenda or to request consideration to place an item on a future Board agenda, may do so at this time. Individuals will be limited to a three-minute presentation.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL TAKE NO ACTION AS A RESULT OF ANY ITEM PRESENTED AT THIS TIME.

Agency Manager, Steve Lederer, mentioned we received two emailed Public Comments and forwarded the emails to the Board. These were received prior to the board meeting and Board took a few minutes to review.

Chair Cottrell reported one email is from Jacob Sandoval with a request for a presentation on the activities of LULAC (The California League of United Latin American Citizens) and the second email is from Geoff Ellsworth with mention of the \$6.6 million dollar settlement between Napa County DA and UVDS for actions in 2018 & 2019.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

REQUESTED ACTION: Approval of the August 18, 2025, regular meeting minutes.

B. BOARD MEETING DATES - 2026

REQUESTED ACTION: Approval and Adoption by the Board of the proposed meeting schedule for calendar year 2026.

C. AMENDMENT FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION AGREEMENT

REQUESTED ACTION: Staff recommends Chair sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 250242D with Clean Earth Environmental Solutions, Inc., amending the rates of compensation and increasing the per fiscal year maximum amount allowed under the agreement to \$74,000.

Approved Consent Items 5A, 5B & 5C: SC, AM, AC, and HBT.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Staff to provide an update on the status of activities relevant to the Act.

Agency's staff, Amanda Griffis, summarized staff report and highlighted some sections of the agenda report.

Eva Robledo, with the Company, also reported on the progress of the Oops tags and provided a copy to the board for reference.

B. MOU EXTENDING THE \$300,000 COMMITMENT TOWARDS A FUTURE PUBLIC BENEFIT PROJECT DISCUSSION AND REQUESTED ACTION: Authorize the Agency Manager to sign the attached memorandum of understanding, extending the time frame to implement a public benefit project using the \$300,000 designated in Section 4.1 of the Franchise Agreement.

Approving Authority: Board of Supervisors

Agency Manager, Steve Lederer summarized staff report and asked Board for discussion and approval. Approved Administration Items 6B: HBT, SC, AM, and AC.

7. FRANCHISES' BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Franchises' Status

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Manager and Company provided an update concerning the implementation of franchises' activities.

Nothing to report.

B. Waste Management Companies' Issues

DISCUSSION ITEM: This is an opportunity for the franchisee(s) to discuss/raise any items of concern they may wish the UVA to consider.

Nothing to report.

8. OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Manager's Report

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Manager to provide a written update on the status of current activities.

Agency Manager, Steve Lederer summarized this item and added the California building code/Cal green requires a high level of diversion for all construction projects. The company processes C&D loads at Clover Flat but recently asked the Agency to allow them to transfer some of the high-level loads to the Potrero Hills facility. Company's letter and Agency Manager's response attached to this agenda item.

Member Trippe asked if the Agency Manager will report back on the landfill closure processes.

Agency Manager confirmed he will keep the board informed and bring back future discussion of the process in the future.

B. Reports from Jurisdictions

DISCUSSION ITEM: Reports by the member jurisdictions of current information relevant to the Agency:

- Napa County: Napa Vallejo Waste Management Agency Construction and Demolition Debris new facility project has been awarded to Modern Building Inc. for \$30.2M.
- ii. <u>Calistoga</u>: Nothing to report.
- iii. St. Helena: Nothing to report.
- iii. Yountville: Nothing to report.

C. Future Agenda Items

DISCUSSION ITEM: Discussion of any items Board members wish to have addressed at a future meeting date.

Agency Manager, Steve Lederer, will create an informational agenda item on the terms of the DA (District Attorney) settlement for future agenda, per public comment request, and will also send out an invite to LULAC staff and ask for a 10 minute presentation on LULAC activities.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:11p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Agency Board of Directors will be held on Monday, December 15, 2025, at 1:30p.m. in the Yountville Town Council Meeting Chambers or as noted.

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN (A):	
ABSENT(B):	
EXCUSED(X):	
Ву:	
	ATTEST: Steven Lederer, Manager of the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

KEY

Vote: AC = Anne Cottrell; AB = Aaron Barak; AM = Amber Manfree; HBT = Hillery Bolt Trippe; KS = Kate Spadarotto; IL-O = Irais Lopez-Ortega; JG = Joelle Gallagher; PR = Pam Reeves; SC = Scott Cooper.

The maker of the motion and second are reflected respectively in the order of the recorded vote.

Notations next to vote: Y = Ayes; N = No; A = Abstain; B = Absent; X = Excused



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Agenda Date: 12/15/2025

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2056

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

REPORT BY: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

SUBJECT: Annual Financial Audit

RECOMMENDATION

ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT

REQUESTED ACTION: Approval and Acceptance of the Authority's annual June 30, 2025 financial audit.

BACKGROUND

The final annual financial audit document has been received and hard copies will be provided to the Board for their review at the meeting. There were no deficiencies noted in the audit.

The Agency is required by its formation agreement to prepare annual audited financial statements.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY JUNE 30, 2025

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FINANCIAL SECTION



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Members of the Board of Directors Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Napa, California

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and governmental fund of the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency of Napa County (the Agency) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the basic financial statements, which collectively comprise the Agency's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the governmental fund of the Agency as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Agency and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Agency's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
 expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Agency's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and Budgetary Comparison Schedule, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 24, 2025, on our consideration of the Agency's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Agency's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

BROWN ARMSTRONG

ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION

Grown Armstrong Secountaincy Corporation

Bakersfield, California October 24, 2025

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS JUNE 30, 2025

On September 29, 1992, the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (the Agency) was formed by the County of Napa (the County), the City of St. Helena, the City of Calistoga, and the Town of Yountville (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Members") as a joint powers entity to provide economical coordination of regional waste management services to the Members, including but not limited to uniform rate review and rate recommendations, acting as the regional agency for purposes of implementing the provisions of the California Integrated Waste Management Act, and the rate setting franchisor for solid waste handling services within the Agency's service area. The Agency is a public entity legally separate and apart from any of the Members.

After implementation of the updated franchise agreement which went into effect on July 1, 2021, the Agency derives revenue from a franchise fee, defined as 3% of the Upper Valley Disposal Service's (UVDS) gross revenue. During fiscal year 2024-25, a total of \$627,100 franchise fees were collected, an increase of \$45,839, or 7.89% over the prior year.

As management of the Agency, we offer readers of our financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Please read it in conjunction with the Agency's Financial Statements, which follow this section.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Agency's basic financial statements. The Statement of Net Position and Governmental Fund Balance Sheet, and the Statement of Activities and Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance, provide information about the activities of the Agency. The financial statements also include various footnote disclosures, which further describe the Agency's activities.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Agency's finances, in a manner similar to a private sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the Agency's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Agency's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in the statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Agency, like other local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Fund financial statements report essentially the same functions as those reported in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented. Both the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance provide a reconciliation to facilitate the comparison between governmental funds and government-wide statements.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information (RSI)

RSI is presented concerning the Agency's General Fund budgetary schedule. The Agency adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The Agency presents its financial statements under the reporting model required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) – for State and Local Governments.* The Agency has provided comparative data for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2025 and 2024. The columns reflect amounts that have been presented in this financial report.

	2025	2024	Variance
Assets Current assets	\$ 2,747,902	\$ 2,751,830	\$ (3,928)
Total Assets	2,747,902	2,751,830	(3,928)
Liabilities Current liabilities	550,655	641,860	(91,205)
Total Liabilities	550,655	641,860	(91,205)
Net Position Unrestricted	2,197,247	2,109,970	87,277
Total Net Position	\$ 2,197,247	\$ 2,109,970	\$ 87,277

Net Position

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the Agency, assets exceed liabilities by \$2,197,247 as of June 30, 2025. The most significant portion of the Agency's net position is cash surplus from previous years when revenue was derived from a surcharge on landfill revenues. After several large fires generated large volumes of waste at the landfill, it resulted in increased revenue for the Agency.

Cash and investments are maintained in the County's cash and investment pool where interest earned on the Agency's balance is apportioned to the Agency.

Changes in Net Position

The Agency's net position increased overall by \$87,277 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. The government-wide financial statement analysis presented represents an analysis of the Agency's governmental activities.

	2025			2024	Variance		
Revenues Charges for services (franchise/AB 939 fee) Intergovernmental Interest	\$	627,100 60,278 66,110	\$	581,261 27,783 47,737	\$	45,839 32,495 18,373	
Total Revenues		753,488		656,781		96,707	
Expenses							
Administrative services		216,243		112,274		103,969	
Advertising		12,578		31,998		(19,420)	
Insurance		-		4,970		(4,970)	
Printing and binding		5,427		6,040		(613)	
Communication		753		749		4	
Accounting and auditing services		6,632		5,113		1,519	
Legal services		24,753		60,829		(36,076)	
Consulting charges		86,400		85,248		1,152	
Recycling program costs	65,062			57,607		7,455	
Household hazardous waste disposal	49,161		61,394			(12,233)	
Business travel	38		-			38	
Community grants		199,131		768		198,363	
Rents/leases - equipment		33		199		(166)	
Total Expenses		666,211		427,189		239,022	
Change in Net Position		87,277		229,592		(142,315)	
Net Position - Beginning of Fiscal Year		2,109,970		1,880,378		229,592	
Net Position - End of Fiscal Year	\$	2,197,247	\$	2,109,970	\$	87,277	

FUND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used by the Agency to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Agency reported an ending fund balance of \$2,197,247, an increase of \$87,277 from the prior year.

Total revenues increased from \$656,781 in the prior fiscal year to \$753,488 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. This increase was primarily due to higher UVDS franchise fee revenue as well as improved market conditions resulting in higher interest income.

Total expenses increased from \$427,189 in the prior fiscal year to \$666,211 in the current fiscal year. The additional funding from the franchise fee revenues allowed the funding of community grants in the amount of \$199,131 to member jurisdictions to support waste management-related projects. The community grants awarded were as follows:

- \$631 to Up Valley Family Centers of Napa Valley for compost and recycling carts
- \$98,500 to the Town of Yountville for belly bins
- \$100,000 to the City of Calistoga towards a street sweeper.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Total revenues were under final budget by \$156,512 and total expenditures were under budget by \$395,189. Since Agency revenue comes from a 3% fee on UVDS's revenue, the budget is created based on an estimate of UVDS's expected revenue. Although franchise fee revenue exceeded budget, intergovernmental revenues were below budget due to grant timing. Expenditures were less than those approved by the Board, as not as much funding was spent on the expenses associated with an Agency grant program as was budgeted.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The Agency is committed to maintaining the minimum reserve and controlling discretionary expenditures while providing services that benefit the ratepayers. Despite uncertainty in the overall economy looking forward, the Agency expects our revenue to remain stable, and is in a position to adjust expenses as needed to match any revenue changes. Additionally, the Agency has very significant reserves to weather even a multiyear downturn in the economy.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Agency did not have any long-term obligations outstanding.

CAPITAL ASSETS

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Agency did not have any capital assets.

CONTACTING THE AGENCY

The financial statements are designed to provide a general overview of the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency finances for all those interested. The County of Napa provides certain management and administrative functions, including all financial management and accounting. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency, 1195 Third Street, Suite 101, Napa, California 94559.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY STATEMENT OF NET POSITION **JUNE 30, 2025**

	 2025
ASSETS Cash and investments in County Treasury Accounts receivable	\$ 2,064,695 683,207
Total Assets	 2,747,902
LIABILITIES	_
Accounts payable Due to other governments	9,884 236,286
Unearned revenue	 304,485
Total Liabilities	 550,655
NET POSITION	
Unrestricted	 2,197,247
Total Net Position	\$ 2,197,247

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	 2025
EXPENSES	
Administration services	\$ 216,243
Advertising	12,578
Printing and binding	5,427
Communication	753
Accounting and auditing services	6,632
Legal services and notices	24,753
Consulting charges	86,400
Recycling program costs	65,062
Household hazardous waste disposal	49,161
Business travel	38
Community grants	199,131
Rents/leases - equipment	 33
Total Expenses	 666,211
PROGRAM REVENUES	
Charges for services (franchise/AB 939 fee)	627,100
Intergovernmental	60,278
Total Program Revenues	687,378
Net Program Income	21,167
GENERAL REVENUES	
Interest income	 66,110
Total General Revenues	66,110
Change in Net Position	87,277
Net Position - Beginning of Fiscal Year	2,109,970
Net Position - End of Fiscal Year	\$ 2,197,247

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUND JUNE 30, 2025

		2025
ASSETS Cash and investments Accounts receivable	\$	2,064,695 683,207
Total Assets	\$	2,747,902
LIABILITIES	_	
Accounts payable	\$	9,884
Due to other governments		236,286
Unearned revenue		304,485
Total Liabilities		550,655
FUND BALANCE		
Unassigned		2,197,247
Total Fund Balance		2,197,247
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	2,747,902

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	2025
REVENUES	
Charges for services (franchise/AB 939 fee)	\$ 627,100
Interest	66,110
Intergovernmental	60,278
Total Revenues	 753,488
EXPENDITURES	
Administration services	216,243
Advertising	12,578
Communication	753
Printing and binding	5,427
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Legal services and notices	24,753
Consulting charges	86,400
Recycling program costs	65,062
Household hazardous waste disposal	49,161
Business travel	38
Community grants	199,131
Rents/leases - equipment	 33
Total Expenditures	666,211
Net Change in Fund Balance	87,277
Fund Balance - Beginning of Fiscal Year	2,109,970
Fund Balance - End of Fiscal Year	\$ 2,197,247

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2025

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (the Agency) was established on September 29, 1992, to provide economical coordination of regional waste management services. The Agency consists of four members: the County of Napa (the County), the Cities of Calistoga and St. Helena, and the Town of Yountville. Each member appoints a representative(s) to the governing board of the Agency. The County appoints two representatives and each city and town appoints one representative.

The Agency includes all activities (operations of its administrative staff and Agency officers) considered to be a part of the Agency. The Agency reviewed the criteria developed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in its issuance of Statement No. 61, relating to the financial reporting entity to determine whether the Agency is financially accountable for other entities. The Agency has determined that no other outside entity meets the above criteria, and therefore, no other entity has been included as a component unit in the financial statements. In addition, the Agency is not aware of any entity that would be financially accountable for the Agency that would result in the Agency being considered a component unit of that entity.

B. Basis of Presentation and Accounting

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information about the primary government, the Agency. These statements include the financial activities of the overall Agency.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available, the Agency's policy is to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This method recognizes revenues in the accounting period in which they become measurable and available. Revenues are considered available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Agency considers revenues available if they are collected within ninety days of the end of the current fiscal period. Significant revenues that have been treated as "susceptible" to accrual under the modified accrual basis of accounting include taxes, charges, interest, and intergovernmental revenues. Expenses are recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Agency gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) value in exchange, include grants, entitlements, and donations. On a modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues from sales taxes are recognized when the underlying transactions take place and have met the availability criteria. Revenues from grants, entitlements, and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. Basis of Presentation and Accounting (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

The Agency reports the following major governmental fund:

• The General Fund is the Agency's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government.

C. Accounts Receivable

The Agency believes its accounts receivable to be fully collectible and, accordingly, no allowance is necessary.

D. <u>Use of Estimates</u>

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

E. New Accounting Pronouncements Implemented

GASB Statement No. 101 – *Compensated Absences.* The requirements of this statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter. This statement did not impact the financial statements or disclosures of the Agency as the Agency does not have these types of transactions.

GASB Statement No. 102 – *Certain Risk Disclosures*. The objective of this statement is to provide users of government financial statements with essential information about risks related to a government's vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations or constraints. This statement did not impact the financial statements or disclosures of the Agency.

F. Future Accounting Pronouncements

GASB Statement No. 103 – *Financial Reporting Model.* The objective of this statement is to improve key components of the financial reporting model to enhance its effectiveness in providing information that is essential for decision making and assessing a government's accountability. The Agency has not fully judged the impact of the implementation of this standard on the financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 104 – *Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets*. The objective of this Statement is to provide users of government financial statements with essential information about certain types of capital assets. The requirements of this statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025, and all reporting periods thereafter. Earlier application is encouraged. The Agency has not fully judged the impact of the implementation of this standard on the financial statements.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash at June 30, 2025, consisted of the following:

Cash and investments in County Treasury

\$ 2,064,695

NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The Agency maintains all of its cash and investments with the County Treasurer in an investment pool. On a quarterly basis, the County Treasurer allocates interest to participants based upon their average daily balances. Required disclosure information regarding categorization of investments and other deposit and investment risk disclosures can be found in the County's financial statements. The County's financial statements may be obtained by contacting the County Auditor-Controller's Office at 1195 Third Street, Suite B-10, Napa, California 94559. The County Treasury Oversight Committee oversees the Treasurer's investments and policies.

Required disclosures for the Agency's deposit and investment risks at June 30, 2025, were as follows:

Credit risk Not rated
Custodial risk Not applicable
Concentration of credit risk Not applicable
Interest rate risk Not available

Investments in the County's investment pool are reported at fair value. The Agency's position in the pool is reported at amounts provided by the County Treasurer. The Agency follows the County's deposit and investment policy.

NOTE 3 – NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE

Net Position

Net position comprises the various net earnings from operating and nonoperating revenues, expenses, and contributions of capital. Net position is classified in the following three components: net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted. The Agency has unrestricted funds only. Debt related to unspent proceeds or other restricted cash and investments is excluded from the determination. Unrestricted net position consists of all other net position not included in the above categories.

Fund Balance

Governmental funds report fund balance in classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Agency is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds can be spent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

- Nonspendable fund balance amounts that are not in spendable form or are required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted fund balance amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as
 grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by
 enabling legislation.
- Committed fund balance amounts constrained to specific purposes by the Agency itself, using
 its highest level of decision-making authority. To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be
 used for any other purpose unless the Agency takes the same highest level of action to remove
 or change the constraint.
- Assigned fund balance amounts the Agency intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by the Agency's Board of Directors (Board) or by an official or body to which the Agency's Board delegates the authority.
- Unassigned fund balance amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive amounts are reported only in the General Fund.

NOTE 4 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Agency paid the County, a related party, \$3,332 for accounting and audit services and \$216,243 for administration and Local Enforcement Agency services.

NOTE 5 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Agency is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. Insurance to cover risk of loss for the Agency is secured through commercial carriers.

NOTE 6 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 24, 2025, which is the date the basic financial statements were available to be issued.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

	Budgeted Amounts				Variance with			
		Original	Final		Actual		Final Budget	
REVENUES								
Charges for services (franchise/AB 939 fee)	\$	550,000	\$	550,000	\$	627,100	\$	77,100
Interest		35,000		35,000		66,110		31,110
Intergovernmental		325,000		325,000		60,278		(264,722)
Total Revenues		910,000		910,000		753,488		(156,512)
EXPENDITURES								
Administration services		275,000		275,000		216,243		58,757
Advertising		30,000		30,000		12,578		17,422
Insurance		2,500		2,500		-		2,500
Printing and binding		35,000		35,000		5,427		29,573
Publications and legal notices		2,000		2,000		-		2,000
Communication		700		700		753		(53)
Freight/Postage		50		50		-		50
Accounting and auditing services		20,000		20,000		6,632		13,368
Minor equipment/Small tools		100		100		-		100
Legal services		50,000		50,000		24,753		25,247
Consulting charges		130,000		130,000		86,400		43,600
Recycling program costs		135,000		135,000		65,062		69,938
Household hazardous waste disposal		80,000		80,000		49,161		30,839
Business travel		500		500		38		462
Training and conference expenses		500		500		-		500
Office supplies		50		50		-		50
Rents/leases - equipment		-		-		33		(33)
Community grants		300,000		300,000		199,131		100,869
Total Expenditures		1,061,400		1,061,400		666,211		395,189
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	(151,400)	\$	(151,400)		87,277	\$	238,677
Fund Balance - Beginning of Fiscal Year						2,109,970		
Fund Balance - End of Fiscal Year					\$	2,197,247		

UPPER VALLEY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY NOTE TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

NOTE 1 – BUDGET AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (the Agency) operates under the general laws of the State of California and annually adopts a budget to be effective July 1 of the ensuing fiscal year. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all governmental fund types. The level of control (level at when expenditures may not exceed budget) is the fund level. Unused appropriations for all of the above annually budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

Budget information is presented for the Agency's only fund. The Agency makes adjustments to its original budget during the year. This enables the effectiveness of the Agency in meeting budget objectives to be evaluated and the adequacy of the budget itself to be judged. The only exceptions to this are the appropriations of unanticipated revenues and the revision of appropriations to reflect major economic up or down turns materially affecting estimated revenues. Expenditures in excess of budgeted amounts are approved individually by the Board of Directors. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the Agency. It is this final revised budget that is presented in these financial statements.

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, actual revenues and expenditures can be compared with related budgeted amounts without any significant reconciling items.

OTHER REPORT



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Honorable Members of the Board of Directors Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Napa, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and governmental fund of the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (the Agency), as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Agency's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 24, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Agency's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Agency's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Agency's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

BROWN ARMSTRONG
ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION

Grown Armstrong Secountaincy Corporation

Bakersfield, California October 24, 2025



To the Honorable Members of the Board of Directors Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Napa, California

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and governmental fund of the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency of Napa County (the Agency) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated June 3, 2025. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Agency are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. The Agency implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences* and GASB Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures*, during the year ended 2025. We noted no transactions entered into by the Agency during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. There were no sensitive estimates.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. There were no such misstatements.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated October 24, 2025.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Agency's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Agency's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to Management's Discussion and Analysis and Budgetary Comparison Schedule, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplement the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors and management of the Agency and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BROWN ARMSTRONG
ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION

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Bakersfield, California October 24, 2025



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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2050

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Amanda Griffis - Supervising Environmental Resource Specialist

REPORT BY: Amanda Griffis - Supervising Environmental Resource Specialist

SUBJECT: California Integrated Waste Management Act

RECOMMENDATION

CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Staff to provide an update on the status of activities relevant to the Act.

BACKGROUND

WASTE REDUCTION, RECYCLING, HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAMS UPDATE

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS - Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA) held a hazardous waste (HW), electronic waste (e-waste), paper shredding and compost giveaway event on Saturday November 1, 2025 at the fairgrounds in Calistoga. A HW event for businesses was held on Friday October 31, 2025. UVWMA's HW collections contractor, Clean Earth, collected HW dropped off by the public. Upper Valley Disposal Services (UVDS) collected e-waste, a subcontractor of UVDS provided paper shredding. Compost was provided in one-cubic foot bags from a Waste Connections facility in Clearlake.

E-waste collection and paper shredding was provided at no additional cost, due to the franchise agreement with UVDS. UVWMA staff been notified of the cost of the event by Clean Earth but have not received the invoice yet, the cost totaled \$38,931. Included in the cost is mobilization of Clean Earth for the temporary event and disposal of collected hazardous wastes. Ads to inform the public of the event totaled \$4,574.99. There were four Napa County staff at the event, billing their time to UVWMA, as well as five UVDS staff in addition to Clean Earth staff.

One business made an appointment and paid for disposal of hazardous materials on Friday October 31. On Saturday November 1, residents from each of the UVWMA member communities participated in the household HW collection. There was a total of 454 event users, making the 2025 event the most well attended in agency history, surpassing the previous high by 7%. See Attachment A - 2025 Calistoga Event Data for survey data from the event.

400 one-cubic foot bags of compost were distributed at the event, totaling 7.4 tons. The cost per bag is \$5, totaling \$2,000. Providing compost by the bag, rather than by the ton, provides access to free compost to more residents that would like smaller amounts or don't have the correct vehicle to transport unbagged compost. However the cost difference is substantial, purchasing compost by the bag ends up being \$270 per ton, while purchasing in bulk by the ton is \$35 per ton.

Staff have scheduled the spring HW collection event for Friday April 24, 2026 1:00pm - 4:00pm (business) and Saturday April 25, 2026 8:00am - 1:00pm (residential), to take place at the UVDS Compost & Recycling Yard. Hazardous and electronic waste will be collected in addition to free paper shredding and compost giveaway.

UVWMA staff are in discussion with City of Calistoga staff to secure a date for the fall 2026 event in Calistoga, negotiating so that no other large scale public events take place at the same time as the HW event. This may push the event later into November that has been done previously. Potential dates and location within the fairgrounds is to be determined, UVWMA and Calistoga staff are meeting again in January 2026 to finalize details.

SHARPS AND MEDICATIONS DISPOSAL - SB 212 requires pharmaceutical companies to run statewide stewardship programs that provide safe and convenient disposal options for pharmaceutical and homegenerated sharps waste at no cost to the consumer. Medication collections will be available in receptacles and via pre paid mail back options at no cost to consumers. Sharps will be collected via a secure mail back container at no cost to consumers. Secure sharps mail back containers are to be provided at the point of sale or with five days by stewardship programs and containers can also be requested online. More information on these programs can be found at napacounty.gov/hazwaste.

In addition to the above mentioned stewardship programs, Clean Earth accepts non-controlled medications and sharps at up-valley hazardous waste collection events. Clover Flat Landfill accepts sharps at no charge during regular business hours. A medication collection bin is located at the St. Helena, Calistoga and Yountville Police Department; non-controlled and controlled medications are accepted.

An unused medications and sharps collection event was held on October 25, 2025. There were six locations countywide; including Calistoga, St Helena and Yountville. In south Napa County, there were collection sites at Kaiser in the City of Napa, the Napa County Sheriff Department office and the American Canyon Police Department. Weights of medications collected: Calistoga 107 lbs, Yountville 24 lbs and St Helena 110 lbs. 38-gal containers for sharps were provided to each up valley location. Number of containers collected: Calistoga three containers, Yountville one container and St Helena two containers. Countywide compared to 2024, medication collection decreased 21% and sharps collected increased 41%.

The DEA funds medication disposal costs. Napa County Sheriff staff transported all collected medications from the up valley sites to the destruction location. UVWMA funded pick up and disposal costs for the sharps collected up valley and will be reimbursed for cost shares by the City of Napa and Napa County. Previously SB 212 program operator Inmar reimbursed UVWMA for sharps collection costs at this event, however recent changes to their policies dictate that temporary event costs can no longer be reimbursed.

BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING PROGRAM - UVWMA applies as a regional agency for payments that CalRecycle issues for beverage container recycling programs. Staff use the \$25,000 of funds for beverage

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container recycling and litter reduction activities. Examples include the purchase of recycling bins for public buildings, community parks, main streets, businesses, schools and public gathering areas, and expenditures related to the installation of water refill stations. UVWMA staff are currently expending the "FY 2023-24" funding cycle, funds for that cycle can be expended through March 1, 2026. UVWMA has received the funds for the "FY 2024-25" funding cycle, funds can be expended between early 2025 (after award) and January 5, 2027. UVWMA have submitted an application for the "FY 2025-26" funding cycle, the application has been recommended for payment by CalRecycle staff. Payment is expected to be received in April 2026. Funds can expended between early 2026 (after award) and January 5, 2028.

CALRECYCLE - UVWMA received notice from CalRecycle's Jurisdiction and Agency Compliance and Enforcement Branch (JACE) that the review of UVWMA's Electronic Annual Report was completed and they were not requesting any further information.

UVWMA staff completed and submitted the annual proof of designation form to CalRecycle, allowing UVDS to collect electronic waste from the public on behalf of UVWMA in calendar year 2026.

CalRecycle extended the term end date for the SB 1383 local assistance grant to November 1, 2026. Approximately \$193,000 of the awarded \$300,000 remains to be expended over the next year. UVWMA and Napa County staff are working together for a countywide waste characterization study, utilizing \$90,000 of grant funding from the CalRecycle SB 1383 local assistance grant. The goal of the waste characterization study will be to determine what organic items are not properly sorted for composting or recycling. UVMWA will issue a request for qualifications seeking proposals from qualified vendors to perform the work. The facilities proposed for waste characterization up valley include Clover Flat Landfill and the UVDS materials recovery facility. The results of the study will allow UVWMA and Napa County staff to create and execute targeted outreach and public education campaigns, to get organics out of the landfill stream.

SB 1383 IMPLEMENTATION - UVWMA and UVDS staff continue work together to reach out directly via phone, email and site visit to non-compliant accounts to provide education and assistance with meeting SB 1383 organics recycling requirements.

UVWMA plans to procure organic products (compost) on behalf of member jurisdictions to meet 2025 targets. SB 1383 local assistance grant funding will be used to pay for compost purchases. The targets for 2025 are 4,343 cubic yards or 1,737 tons of finished compost. Approximately 125 tons of compost remains to be distributed, UVWMA and UVDS have discussed plans to finalize distribution of the compost before the end of calendar year 2025.

In summer 2024, UVWMA partnered with the City of Napa and Napa County to release funding to expand the countywide capacity for edible food recovery. Two projects were awarded, \$50,000 to Feeding it Forward (FIF) to retrofit an electric van with refrigeration and \$40,000 to Community Action of Napa Valley (CANV) to purchase a vehicle to pick up smaller loads of excess edible food. In September, both FIF and CANV requested and received approval to adjust their project scopes and extend their agreements through the end of FY 25/26 to allow time to complete their projects. CANV has purchased, requested and received reimbursement for \$40,000 for the purchase of a sprinter van to collect excess edible food. FIF has requested and received reimbursement for \$15,000, \$35,00 remains to be reimbursed to FIF upon their request.

Within UVWMA, there are nine tier one commercial edible food generators, four are compliant, further outreach and education remains to be conducted for the remaining five businesses. There are 13 tier two commercial edible food generators, five are compliant, further outreach and education remains to be conducted for the remaining eight businesses

UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa and City of American Canyon met in December to discuss overall mandated donor compliance and collaborative next steps. After the current awarded grant agreements conclude, Napa County staff will work to execute an agreement with a consultant specializing in the food recovery field, to assess the impact of the previously awarded grant funding, what needs remain to capture all SB 1383 required donations and a framework to move forward on food recovery expansion. Potential future grant releases will be determined after the current need is assessed.

OUTREACH - UVWMA's multi family dwelling outreach consultant, Soluna Outreach Solutions, has continued with outreach and education to multi family dwelling managers and owners and tenants on SB 1383 requirements in English and Spanish. Onsite resident training and drop off of resources like brochures and compost pails continued. UVWMA completed ordering 1,000 custom recycling bags, to provide to multi family dwelling residents with limited space, to collect their recyclables and take them out to enclosures.

UVWMA and UVDS staff are preparing the annual all commercial account mailer, which will be mailed to all commercial accounts in early 2026. The mailer includes information on the requirements of SB 1383 as well as the available business assistance program.

BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - UVWMA and UVDS offer free assistance to any business requesting help in improving waste diversion, it is also available to any business working to become complaint with SB 1383 and is often offered in the initial direct outreach to businesses who are notified they are not compliant with SB 1383. Assistance includes: a walk through to assess needs, UVDS suggested service changes to allow for compliance with SB 1383, recycling and composting interior bins, staff trainings, interior and exterior signs, interior bins stickers and on going support. Businesses may request assistance by calling UVDS at 707-963-7988 or emailing UVWMA at upvalleyrecycles@countyofnapa.org.

ZERO WASTE EVENT SUPPORT - UVWMA staff have created and made available a Request for Zero Waste Event Support application. The purpose of the form is to request from UVWMA a one-time reimbursement of up to \$250 for efforts relating to making events that are free and open to the public zero or low waste. Reimbursements for the following items will be considered: temporary recycling and/or compost service, temporary bins for waste sorting stations, clear bags for recycling or compostable bags for compost, compostable service ware and signs for bins. The application was included in the October 2022 agenda packet, requests can be made via email to upvalleyrecycles@countyofnapa.org.

Up Valley Family Center was approved for a reimbursement for zero waste event supplies for their annual Dia de los Muertos event in St Helena. The reimbursement was for compost and recycle carts from Upper Valley Disposal & Recycling, compostable napkins and bags for waste sorting stations. Estimated event attendance was over 500 and the diversion rate was 84%.

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

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HOME COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS - Workshop co-sponsors, UVWMA, Napa County, City of Napa, and Napa County Master Gardeners are working to schedule countywide 2026 workshop dates. The up valley workshop for 2026 has been scheduled for May 16, 2026 at the up valley campus. This early scheduling will allow for extra promotion of the event in the Up Valley College spring schedule. The up valley compost workshop will be a dual workshop again, where attendees choose to either learn about backyard composting or worm composting.

UVWMA, Napa County and City of Napa met in December to discuss plans to schedule the remaining 2026 backyard compost workshops to take place in south Napa County and the City of Napa. New this year, to encourage commitment to continued use of worm compost bins, there may be a small fee charged to workshop attendees. Currently if workshop attendees are Napa County residents they may purchase a discounted backyard compost bin for \$20, the City of Napa covers the remaining cost that is approximately \$120. The costs for worm compost bins are currently covered by Napa County, the cost per bin set up is approximately \$35 but workshop attendees are not currently charged a fee for worm compost bins.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

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2025 Calistoga HW/Ewaste/Shred	/Compost Eve	nt Survey Results
2023 cuistoga HVV/ LVVaste/ Sinea	, compost Eve	ne survey nesures
Have you participated in an up valley HHW	event before?	
Yes	337	74%
No	117	26%
Total	454	100%
Do you have HHW, E-waste or Shredding?		
HW / Ewaste	104	23%
HW ONLY	90	20%
Ewaste only	48	11%
HW / Ewaste / Shred	47	10%
HW/Compost	38	8%
HW / Ewaste/Compost	33	7%
HW / Shred	20	4%
Shred Only	18	4%
Ewaste / Shred	11	2%
HW / Ewaste / Shred/Compost	11	2%
HW/Shred/Compost	10	2%
Ewaste/Compost	8	2%
Ewaste / Shred/Compost	8	2%
Compost Only	7	2%
Shred/Compost	1	0%
Total	454	100%
In What Up Valley Area do you live?	T	
Calistoga	322	71%
St. Helena	88	19%
County- Angwin	16	4%
County - Other	14	3%
Yountville	6	1%
County - Deer Park	4	1%
County - Pope Valley	4	1%
Total	454	100%
How did you find out about this event?		
	100	240/
BANNER DOWNTOWN	108	24%
NEWSLETTER MAILED WITH TRASH BILL	103	23% 18%
CALISTOGA TRIBUNE AD	81	
WORD OF MOUTH CITY OR COUNTY EMAIL	69	15% 5%
ST. HELENA STAR AD	19	4%
POSTER/FLYER AROUND TOWN	18	4%
ONLINE AD	14	3%
CITY OR COUNTY SOCIAL MEDIA	12	3%
OTHER	9	2%
Total	454	100%
iotai	434	100%



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Agenda Date: 12/15/2025

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2061

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

REPORT BY: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

SUBJECT: CA LULAC Presentation

RECOMMENDATION

CA LULAC PRESENTATION

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION: Board to receive a presentation by The California League of United Latin American Citizens (CA LULAC).

BACKGROUND

The Board has invited CA LULAC to make a 10 minute presentation, followed by Board questions and public comment. CA LULAC presentation materials are attached.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

Ca LULAC Presentation to CA Water Board on Nexus between:

- Ca./SF Bay Area Waste Worker Fatalities
- Recent Audit/Hearing on Cal OSHA Deficiencies.
- Public Safety/Environmental/Water Quality impacts (including Fires & large-scale contamination incidents.

At least four Latino Waste Workers/Individuals killed on the job within jurisdiction of the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board.

Luis Guerrero – ALCO worker died 1.2025. Alfredo Romero Jr. – Recology died in May 2025. Alberto Anaya – ALCO died 6.2017. Gabriel Diaz Cervantes – Upper Valley Disposal Service/Clover Flat Landfill died 3.2013.

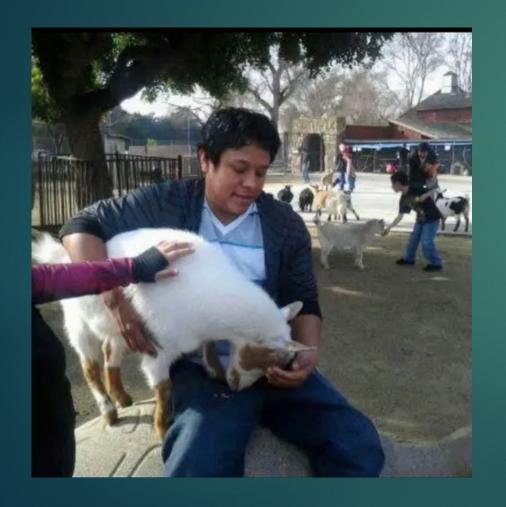








ALCO San Leandro Facility Worker Killed on the job



Luis Fernando Guerrero Tlatenchi – ALCO San Leandro – 41 years old killed in January 2025. Mechanic Luis Guerrero died when a broken forklift fell on him.



Luis was set to start a new job with a different company the following week before he died.

Recology Brisbane Facility Worker Killed on the job

Alfredo Romero Jr

– Recology

mechanic - 61

years old killed in

May 2025.

Leaves behind a devastated family in Freemont, CA.



ALCO San Leandro Facility Worker Killed on the job

Alberto Anaya – 63 years old killed in June 2017. Crushed to death by a large screw conveyor machine, it caught on a floor crack and collapsed on him.



Upper Valley
Disposal/Clover Flat
Landfill – St. Helena
Facility Worker Killed
on the job -2013

Gabriel Diaz Cervantes – 45 years old run over by garbage truck at UVDS in St. Helena. Cal OSHA report differed greatly from eyewitnesses/co-workers on the scene.



Latino Waste Worker fatalities are occurring in other California regions as well.

ALCO Stockton Facility Worker Killed on the job.

Ray Alfaro – ALCO Stockton – 31 years old killed in March 2022. Ray Alfaro was crushed to death by 4,000 lbs. of wire.







Bakersfield area Latino Waste/Compost Workers dual fatalities in 2012 — Brothers Armando

Ramirez, 16 years old, and Heladio Ramirez, 22 years old, perished inhaling hydrogen sulfide when working at the Community Recycling & Resource Recovery composting facility.

 \equiv KQED Sign In

by William Harless, California Watch



This hole at the Community Recycling & Resource Recovery site leads to a drainage ditch where the Ramirez brothers were overcome by fumes. (Kern County Fire Dept)

California's next big step in recycling – composting its meat scraps, broken egg shells, coffee grounds and other detritus of eating – is straining the state's ability to effectively manage the ever-growing and sometimes dangerous industry.

In October, 16-year-old Armando Ramirez and his brother, 22-year-old Heladio Ramirez, died of poisoning after Armando had been cleaning out a stormwater drain at the Community Recycling & Resource Recovery composting facility near Bakersfield. Heladio had gone down a hole and into the drain to rescue his brother.

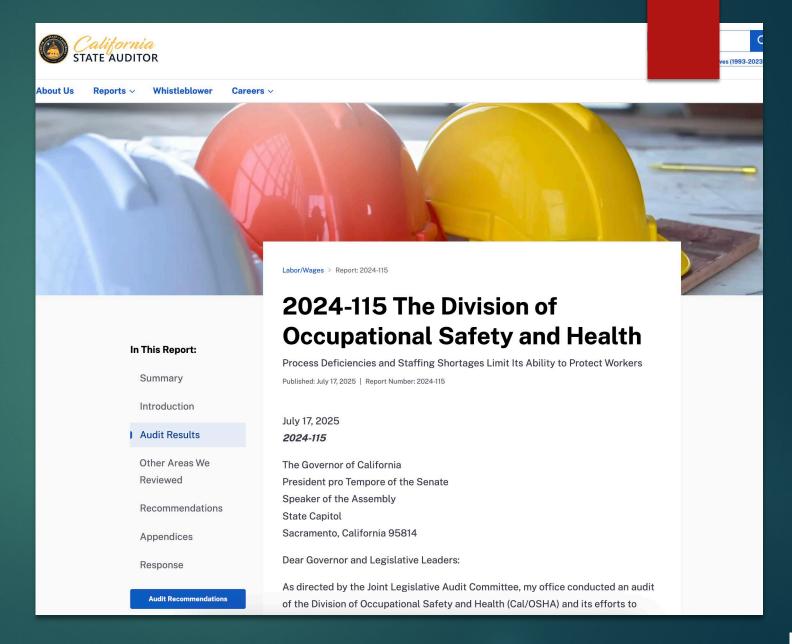
The two undocumented workers inhaled hydrogen sulfide, a poisonous gas that sewage can generate. According to county documents, the facility near Lamont used discharged sewage water from an adjacent utility district to moisten its composting

piles.

2024 Cal OSHA Audit

- Findings: Significant deficiencies in Cal OSHA processes:
- Weakness in inspections

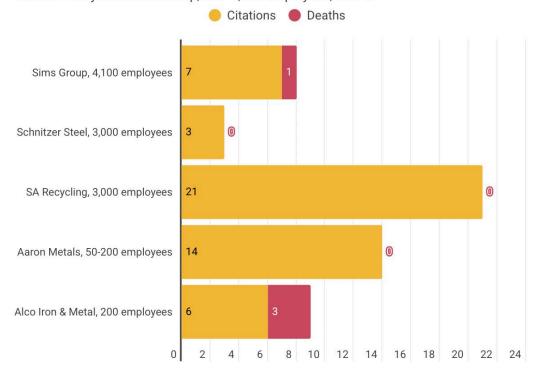
 only 17% of valid
 complaints were inspected
 on site in 2024.
- Problems in enforcement and fines.
- Severe staffing shortages.



Comparing other metal recyclers

Deaths and citations

Here is a look at 5 California metal scrap recycling companies' death and citation records from 2015 to 2025, organized by company size. Alco, with 200 employees, has had three deaths in 10 years. Sims Group, with 4,000 employees, had 1.



Source: OSHA establishment search

ALCO Deaths and citations compared with other metal recyclers. ALCO had 3 deaths with 200 employees compared to Sims Group with 4,100 employees and 1 death. Other large scale metal recyclers had no deaths.

Following are photographs and documents of large-scale fires, contamination incidents, and violations at ALCO facilities, Recology Brisbane, and Upper Valley Disposal Service/Clover Flat Landfill in the Napa Valley.







UVDS Napa County Waste and Compost Recycling site



All these facilities are in the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board and all with significant environmental, water quality and public safety impacts. These are just a small sample of the photographs and documents available that provide evidence of the systemic problems in the waste industry.



Recology
Brisbane –2025
Fire

Recology Brisbane Fire - 2018

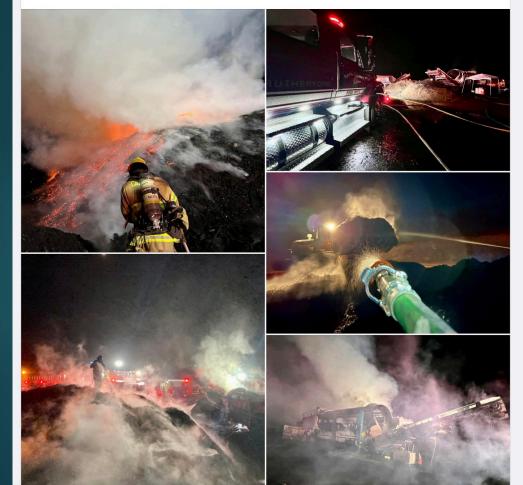




CAL FIRE Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit



At about 12:40am this morning crews from Napa County Fire Department, St Helena Fire Department and Calistoga Fire Department were dispatched to a commercial structure fire at Upper Valley Disposal & Recycling in St Helena. Upon arrival crews reported that at Trummel Screener was fully involved with an extension to a compost pile. Crews extinguished the fire and worked with company rep. whom used front loader to separate the compost pile. No buildings were involved and there was no extension to the Wildland. We would like to thank @sthelenafire and @calistogafire for their assistance.



Upper Valley Disposal
Service – Napa County Fire
– Documented by CalFire in
2024

FIRES at Upper Valley Disposal Service - Whitehall Ln, St. Helena, Clover Flat Landfill - Calistoga and UVDS Garbage Truck Fires 2020 - 2022

These are just some of the fires at UVDS Whitehall Lane, Clover Flat Landfill and in UVDS collection trucks on rural Napa County roads. There are eyewitness accounts of many more fires at these sites.

June 14, 2020 - Fire at UVDS



Nov. 18, 2020 - Greenfield Road: UVDS Garbage Truck Fire



Dec. 2020 Fire UVDS



June 6, 2021 - UVDS Fire

June 8, 2021 - UVDS Fire

June 10,2021 - UVDS Fire







June 14, 2021 - UVDS Fire

August 3, 2021 – UVDS Fire June 14, 2022 – UVDS Fire

July 12, 2022 - UVDS Fire







Upper Valley Disposal Service Clover Flat Landfill – Napa County Fires **-** 2020-2022.



UVDS Clover Flat Landfill - Napa County document showing severity of Glass Fire impacts in 2020 at Clover Flat Landfill despite company statements the landfill did not burn. The public was not warned or notified of the burning landfill.

From: Ex, Peter < PETER.EX@countyofnapa.org > Sent: Monday, September 28, 2020 4:25:09 PM

To: Vincent, Michael (Shaun) < Michael.Vincent@countyofnapa.org; Harrington, Stacey

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Cc: Kara, John John.Kara@countyofnapa.org; Secheli, Christine Christine.Secheli@countyofnapa.org; Perez, Lynn

<Lynn.Perez@countyofnapa.org>

Subject: Clover flat landfill emergency repairs

Hi Shaun,

I completed a damage assessment at clover flat landfill today. They have suffered extensive damage to their landfill gas collection and leachate collection systems. Currently landfill gas is burning uncontrolled from numerous damaged gas wells on the site and leachate collection pipes are non-existent but fortunately leachate is burning off instead of flowing downslope.

Would appreciate any guidance/coordination you can provide to get specialized crews access to the site sooner than later to get landfill gas under control?

Thanks, Peter Ex

Sent with BlackBerry Work (www.blackberry.com)

UVDS Clover Flat Landfill – Napa County

Toxic leachate/wastewater pit (left photo). Untrained waste worked forced to fight active wildfire and clean up toxic fire debris without training or personal protective equipment (PPE) in 2020.





Upper Valley Disposal Service – St. Helena / Napa County photos document toxic chemical spill and leachate pond along with garbage truck washing facility at site claimed by SF Regional Water Board as only processing organic material.



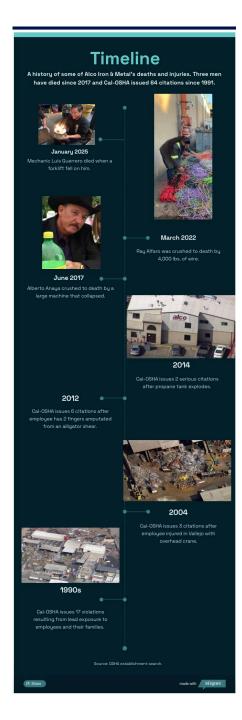


ALCO San Leandro & Vallejo –2025 & 2015 Fires



ALCO – Vallejo – 1990s – 17 violations of Lead Exposure to employees and their families





ALCO Timeline

- Showing ALCO fatalities from 2017-2022
- Safety violations stretching back decades including:
 - A crane accident
 - Propane tank explosion
 - An employee having 2 fingers amputated from an alligator shear.



March 27, 2015

DMS NOTICE W - 15 - 01 DISCARD: RETAIN

TO: WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICIALS

SUBJECT: Settlement - Alco Iron & Metal Company, a California Corporation

Enclosed is a copy of the Stipulated Final Judgment and Permanent Injunction issued against Alco Iron & Metal Company, a California Corporation. The case was filed on March 4, 2015, by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office for knowingly issuing a false weight, measure, or count on a weighmaster certificate; issuing weighmaster certificates that do not contain all of the information required by law; and, failing to maintain a commercial device that is used for measuring weight, measure or count in accordance with device requirements in violation of California Business and Professions Code Sections 12107, 12713, 12714, 12714.5, 12715, and, 12718.

The California Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Measurement Standards (Department) worked with weights and measures investigators from Alameda County on this case. The total settlement was for \$750,000. Civil penalties amounted to \$350,000, agency costs were \$350,000, and a \$50,000 one-time credit to the defendant to partially offset expenses incurred to institute compliance measures to correct and prevent future violations.

Alameda County should be sure to report these penalties and separately record their individual investigative cost reimbursements in the appropriate columns of the County Monthly Report.

The Department appreciates the fine work done by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office along with the state and county investigators that documented and caused to be prosecuted these violations. If you have any questions, please contact Katherine de Contreras, Supervising Special Investigator, Enforcement Branch at (916) 229-3047, or katherine.decontreras@cdfa.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Kristin J. Macey Director

Enclosure

cc: Gary Leslie, County/State Liaison, CDFA

Alameda District Attorney civil settlement of \$750,000 against Alco Iron & Metal Company in 2015.

Recology Brisbane Fines

Total penalties since 2000 is \$144,144,555.



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Violation Tracker Current Parent Company Summary

Current Parent Company Name: Recology Ownership Structure: privately held Headquartered in: California

Major Industry: waste management and environmental services

Specific Industry: recycling

Penalty total since 2000 for companies currently owned: \$144,144,555

Number of records: 12

TOP 5 OFFENSE GROUPS (GROUPS DEFINED)	PENALTY TOTAL	
consumer-protection-related offenses	\$107,600,000	
competition-related offenses	\$36,000,000	
environment-related offenses	\$473,640	
safety-related offenses	\$70,915	

TOP 5 PRIMARY OFFENSE TYPES	PENALTY TOTAL	
consumer protection violation	\$107,600,000	
kickbacks and bribery	\$36,000,000	
water pollution violation	\$462,440	
workplace safety or health violation	\$70,915	
hazardous waste violation	\$5,600	

Notes: Parent-subsidiary linkages are based on relationships current as of the latest revision listed in the <u>Update Log</u>, which may vary from what was the case when a vadjusted to account for the fact that the individual entries below may include both agency records and settlement announcements for the same case; or else a penalty of individual records for each of the facilities. The totals are also adjusted to reflect cases in which federal and state or local agencies cooperated and issued separate and overlapping penalty amounts are marked with an asterisk in the list below.

Upper Valley Disposal/Clover Flat Landfill Radiation Incident

2019 employee quite ill from radiation exposure, might need to be sent out of state for treatment.

We have one employee that was quite ill from the radiation and four other employees that are being tested due to mild contact. The one employee might be sent out of state to a radiation clinic for treatment.

Mr. Calhoun can advise you on any questions you may have.

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PRESS RELEASE Napa County District Attorney Settles Civil Lawsuit Against Clover Flat Landfill for 2019 Leachate Spill

Napa County District Attorney Allison Haley announced today that her office settled a civil law enforcement lawsuit against defendants Vista Corporation and Clover Flat Land Fill Inc., the owners and operators of Clover Flat Landfill.

The case stems from an investigation by the Department of Fish and Wildlife into Clover Flat's March 2019 spill of 40,000 gallons of leachate into nearby streams, which are tributaries of the Napa River. Leachate is a liquid containing soluble dissolved or suspended materials generated from rainwater and moisture percolating through the waste in a landfill. Releasing leachate into a stream can have a substantial detrimental impact on water quality and aquatic life. The initial investigation led to findings of other environmental violations, including the excavation of a road through what had been a stream, as well as the unauthorized removal of trees and other vegetation.

The action was filed in Napa County Superior Court. As part of the settlement, the defendants have agreed to restore 4.24 acres of habitat in and around the landfill. They must remove the unauthorized road, re-establish the natural streams, and engage in extensive replanting of vegetation. The estimated cost of on-site restoration is approximately \$4 million. In addition, the defendants agreed to pay \$2.654 million toward the funding of other Napa County environmental restoration projects, including:

- \$1.55 million to the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District to be used for the Bale Slough-Bear Creek Tributary Restoration Project.
- \$954,000 to the Napa County Resource Conservation District ("RCD") toward the Huichica Creek Restoration Project.
- An additional \$150,000 to RCD is to be used for either Huichica Creek or the Suscol Creek Restoration Project.

The defendants agreed to strong injunctive terms, which will prohibit them from causing, allowing, or failing to prevent the discharge of any pollutant into the nearby streams. They

Upper Valley Disposal/Clover Flat Landfill settlement in 2025 with Napa County District Attorney for \$6.6 MIL related to large scale contamination incident.

Metal recycling is one of the most hazardous sectors in the country, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Of the 5,283 workplace deaths reported by the agency in 2023, 484 were in waste management and remediation services, which includes scrap metal recycling.

⁻ SF GATE | Bay Area mechanic crushed by forklift in 3rd death tied to same scrap metal company | Olivia Hebert | 5.1.2025

Chiquita Canyon Landfill – Southern California



The Waste Industry problems stretch statewide. In Southern California, The Chiquita Canyon landfill has had significant problematic issues promoting dozens of violations and numerous lawsuits including from the County of Los Angeles.

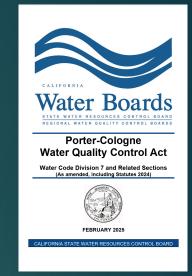
Though we have seen no reported fatalities at Chiquita Canyon the company that owns Chiquita Canyon now owns Upper Valley Disposal Service/Clover Flat Landfill in Napa County where there was a worker fatality in 2013, as well as numerous fires and large-scale contamination incidents.



RACIAL EQUITY ACTION PLAN

2024 ANNUAL UPDATE

The California State Water Board has many tools to address these concerns including CA laws like the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, the Water Board's Racial Equity Action Plan, and the Water Board's mission statement that includes the language "...the protection of the environment, public health, and all beneficial uses..." as well as making referrals to other public agencies.



Mission Statement

To preserve, enhance, and restore the quality of California's water resources and drinking water for the protection of the environment, public health, and all beneficial uses, and to ensure proper water resource allocation and efficient use, for the benefit of present and future generations.



Suscol Intertribal Council PO Box 5386 Napa, CA 94581 suscol@suscol.net

Dec 5, 2025

Alice Ramirez County of Napa

RE: Up Valley Clover Flat Waste Facilities related fatalities

Dear Ms. Alice Ramirez,

I have been following the problems of the Up Valley Clover Flat Waste facilities for some time now. It is with great concern to hear about Past St. Helena Mayor, Geoff Ellsworth's new findings of the high related fatalities of workers and families. I have attended a few public meetings in the past. I wish I could be at this upcoming meeting on Dec 15, 2025, at Yountville City Hall.

It is past time for the concerns Geoff, and many others have expressed, to be addressed and deeper solutions to end this dangerous unhealthy situation for the water supply, workers and neighbors. He will be giving a 10-minute presentation with the California League of United Latin American Citizens about the problems at UVDS and Clover Flat and the significant number of Latino fatalities at Bay Area waste facilities.

I have a friend Dennis Kelly who lived just downstream runoff from the facility who died from cancer. He blamed his illness for exposure to run-off water and air. I remember he had stated in past presentations they had an unusual number of pets dying of cancer and when his own illness was presented, he held the Clever Flat facility's negligence to his early demise.

Please take measures to end this dangerous pollution and find retribution for families who have suffered from this harmful pollution.

Sincerley,

Charlie Toledo, Executive Director Suscol Intertribal Council suscol@suscol.net #707-256-3561



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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2051

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA **REPORT BY:** Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

SUBJECT: Franchises' Status

RECOMMENDATION

FRANCHISES' STATUS

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Agency Manager and Company to provide an update concerning the implementation of franchises' activities.

BACKGROUND

Standing agenda items include:

- 1. Communications with customers/upcoming events.
- 2. Quarterly report is attached (if a new one has been received since the last meeting).

No

3. Other happenings of interest to the Board.

No Board action is anticipated.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

Q3 Report July 1 –September 30, 2025



Q3 2025 Submitted November 1, 2025

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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

Q3 Report July 1 - September 30, 2025

Customer Report

Number of Customers by Type

The Company used RMO, industry software, for the management of customer account information, routing, and billing. Customers are presently coded as single family residential (1-4 units), commercial businesses or temporary (short term subscriptions for clean-up helpers and debris boxes).

The table below shows the number of customers by type. Mobile home customers who have individual service but do not pay their own bills have been added to the reporting data to help UVWMA meet the requirements for monitoring, outreach, education, and contamination at the generator level for SB 1383.

Q3 2025 MONTHLY AVERAGE CUSTOMER COUNTS

CUSTOMER	CALISTOGA ST.HELENA		YOUNTVILLE	COUNTY	TOTAL
TYPE	OALISTOOA	JI.IILLINA	TOOMIVILL	COUNT	IOIAL
Residential	1,700	1,988	917	2,460	7,065
Mobile Home					
Residents	525	228	224	156	1133
Commercial	179	273	61	446	959
Temporary	10	9	1	49	69
TOTAL	2,414	2,498	1,203	3,111	9,226

Above is a total of commercial accounts, which is important to distinguish between commercial customers. Many commercial customers have multiple accounts with us at the same address (for example, a customer may have a permanent roll-off account in addition to their normal collection account).

Services by Customer Type and Program

Residential Cart Counts and Weekly Service Levels

All residential customers are offered three cart services as part of a "bundled rate." Included is a gray garbage (landfill) cart, a blue single stream (recycling) cart and a green organics (compost) cart. The quarterly fee is based on the size of the garbage cart. Garbage cart sizes offered are 32, 64, and 96 gallons. Recycling and organics are only offered in the 96-gallon size. Customers may choose to pay additional monthly fees for extra recycling and organics carts. The table below details the cart count in each service area by size and total gallons. Because Residential customers include 1-4 units, the cart counts will not match the customer counts.

Q3 2025 RESIDENTIAL SERVICE LEVELS

Q3 2025 I	23 2025 RESIDENTIAL SERVICE LEVELS										
	Residential Weekly Garbage Service										
Q3 2025	С	alistoga	St.	Helena	Yountville		Napa	a County	Total All Areas		
CART size	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	
32 gallon	1,532	49,024	1,641	52,512	841	26,912	1,720	55,040	5,734	183,488	
64 gallon	114	7,296	271	17,344	58	3,712	445	28,480	888	56,832	
96 gallon	51	4,896	78	7,488	16	1,024	239	22,944	384	36,864	
	Residential Weekly Recycling Service										
Q3 2025	С	alistoga	St.	Helena	Yo	untville	С	ounty	Total All Areas		
CART size	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	
96 gallon	1,677	160,992	1,982	190,272	879	84,384	2,526	242,496	7,064	678,144	
				Residenti	al Weekly O	rganics Service					
Q3 2025	С	alistoga	St.	Helena	Yo	untville	С	ounty	Al	l Areas	
CART size	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	# Carts	Total Gallons	
96 gallon	1,654	158,784	1,924	184,704	850	81,600	2,559	245,664	6,987	670,752	

Commercial Container Counts, Collection Frequency, Weekly Service Levels

Commercial businesses, including multifamily dwellings with 5 or more units, are offered a variety of container types, sizes, and collection frequency. Collection frequency is the number of days per week the customer has service. Customers who subscribe to cart service for garbage (gray) cart are provided one single stream recycling (blue) cart and one organic (green) cart at no additional charge. Commercial customers who subscribe to bin service for garbage service are provided three single stream recycling (blue) carts and one organic (green) cart at no additional charge. Customers may choose to pay additional monthly fees for extra recycling and organics carts. Food scrap carts are offered at no additional charge for those customers with commercial kitchens or large volumes of food waste. Tables 3 and 4 reflect commercial cart and bin service by size and service area. The tables below detail permanent and temporary roll-off/compactor service by size, number of empties and total average weekly volume.

Q3 2025 COMMERCIAL CART SERVICE LEVELS

			Calistog	ga				
Q3 2025	Cart Count	Frequency				Weekly Service Levels		
GARBAGE CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	4	Total Gallons	Total Yardage	
32 gallon	77	50			27	5,056	25	
64 gallon	18	18				1,152	6	
96 gallon	179	179				17,184	85	
RECYCLING CART SIZE	Totals					Total Gallons	Total Yardage	
64 gallon	5	5				320	2	
96 gallon	349	349				33,504	166	
ORGANICS CART SIZE	Totals					Total Gallons	Total Yardage	
96 gallon	164	164				15,744	78	
FOOD SCRAPS CART SIZE	Totals					Total Gallons	Total Yardage	
64 gallon	91	20	27	44		7,360	36	

	St. Helena										
Q3 2025	Cart Count		Frequency		Weekly Service Levels						
GARBAGE CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage					
32 gallon	71	71			2,272	11					
64 gallon	34	27	1	6	3,008	15					
96 gallon	169	165	4		16,608	82					
RECYCLING CART SIZE	Totals				Total Gallons	Total Yardage					
32 gallon	4	4			128	1					
96 gallon	546	546			52,416	259					
ORGANICS CART SIZE	Totals				Total Gallons	Total Yardage					
96 gallon	218	218			20,928	104					
FOOD SCRAPS CART SIZE	Totals				Total Gallons	Total Yardage					
64 gallon	135	31	26	78	20,288	100					

Yountville										
Q3 2025	Cart Count		Frequency		Weekly Service Levels					
GARBAGE CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage				
32 gallon	2	2			64	0				
64 gallon	4	4			256	1				
96 gallon	70	70			6,720	33				
RECYCLING CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage				
96 gallon	133	133			12,768	63				
ORGANICS CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage				
96 gallon	85	85			8,160	40				
FOOD SCRAPS CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage				
64 gallon	81	9	15	57	13,440	67				

		Napa	County				
Q3 2025	Cart Count		Frequency		Weekly Service Levels		
GARBAGE CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage	
32 gallon	26	26			832	4	
64 gallon	48	48			3,072	15	
96 gallon	142	142			13,632	67	
RECYCLING CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage	
32 gallon	2	2			64	0	
96 gallon	748	748			71,808	355	
ORGANICS CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage	
96 gallon	319	319			30,624	152	
FOOD SCRAPS CART SIZE	Totals	1	2	3	Total Gallons	Total Yardage	
64 gallon	139	80	50	9	13,248	66	

Q3 2025 COMMERCIAL BIN SERVICE LEVELS INCLUDING FRONT LOAD COMPACTORS

			Calistoga	1				
Q3 2025				Freq	uency			
Commercial Garbage Service	Total Bin Count	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total Weekly Yards
2 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	31	25	5	1				76
2 Yard Front Load Compactor Trash*	5		4	1				44
4 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	24	14	7	3				148
6 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	7	3	3	1				72
*compactor compaction rate is 2:1	67							340
Commercial Recycling Services	Total Bin Count	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total Weekly Yards
2 Yard Front Load Bin	2	2						4
4 Yard Front Load Bin	27	12	10	5				188
6 Yard Front Load Bin	8	4	4					72
	37							264
Commercial Organics Service	Total Bin Count							Total Weekly Yards
2 Yard Front Load Bin	1	1						2

	St. Helena										
Q3 2025			Fi	requency							
Commercial Garbage Service	Total Bin Count	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total Weekly Yards			
2 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	50	42	6	1	1			122			
2 Yard Front Load Compactor Trash*	1		1					8			
4 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	41	25	8	6	2			268			
6 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	16	9	4	1		1	1	186			
*compactor compaction rate is 2:1	108							584			
Commercial Recycling Services	Total Bin Count							Total Weekly Yards			
2 Yard Front Load Bin	5	4	1					12			
4 Yard Front Load Bin	44	25	12	4	3			292			
6 Yard Front Load	25	19	3	1	2			216			
	74							520			
Commercial Organics Service	Total Bin Count							Total Weekly Yards			
4 Yard Front Load Bin	3	3						12			
6 Yard Front Load	1	1						6			
	4							18			

			Yountville	•				
Q3 2025			F	requency				
Commercial Garbage Service	Total Bin Count	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total Weekly Yards
2 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	5	5						10
2 Yard Front Load Compactor Trash*	1		1					8
4 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	25	5	8	6		1	5	296
4 Yard Front Load Compactor Trash*	1	1						8
*compactor compaction rate is 2:1	32		-	-	-	•		322
Commercial Recycling Services	Total Bin Count							Total Weekly Yards
2 Yard Front Load Bin	1			1				12
4 Yard Front Load Bin	26	13	8	3	2			184
6 Yard Front Load	2	1		1				24
	28		-	-	-	-		220
Commercial Organics Service	Total Bin Count							Total Weekly Yards
No Organics Bin Service	0							0
			Napa Coun	tv				
Q3 2025			pa ooa		uency			
Commercial Garbage Service	Total Bin Count	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total Weekly Yards
2 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	73	68	5					156
3.5 Yard Fork Truck Bin Trash	0							0
4 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	84	72	7	5				404
6 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	41	34	5	2				300
	198		-		-			860
Commercial Recycling Services	Total Bin Count							Total Weekly Yards
2 Yard Front Load Bin	14	14						28
3.5 YD Fork Truck Bin	28	28						98
4 Yard Front Load Bin	140	108	24	8				720
6 Yard Front Load	44	25	11	7	1			432
	226							1,278
Commercial Organics Service	Total Bin Count							Total Weekly Yards
2 Yard Front Load Bin	3	3						6
4 Yard Front Load Bin	11	11						44
6 Yard Front Load	6	6						36
3.5 Yard Front Load	2	2						7

^{*}Front Load Compactor compaction rate is 2:1

Q3 2025 PERMANENT ROLL-OFF AND COMPACTOR SERVICE LEVELS

	Calistoga										
Container type	Size	Count	# Pulls	Avg. Weekly Pulls	Avg. Weekly Yards						
Roll-off Dirt/Rock	10	4	4	0.31	3.08						
Roll-off Garbage	20	21	21	1.62	32.31						
Roll-off Garbage	30	2	2	0.15	4.62						
Roll-off Garbage	40	1	1	1	-						
Roll-off Organics	20	2	2	0.15	3.08						
Roll-off Organics	30	11	11	0.85	25.38						
Roll-off Organics	40	2	2	0.15	6.15						
Roll-off Recycling	30			-	-						
Compactor Garbage*	12	8	8	0.62	22.15						
Compactor Recycling*	15	6	6	0.46	20.77						

		St. Helena			
Container type	Size	Count	# Pulls	Avg. Weekly Pulls	Avg. Weekly Yards
Roll-off Garbage	20	47	47	3.62	72.31
Roll-off Garbage	30	15	15	1.15	34.62
Roll-off Garbage	40	23	23	1.77	70.77
Roll-off Recycling	20	19	19	1.46	29.23
Roll-off Recycling	30	11	11	0.85	25.38
Roll-off Recycling	40	2	2	0.15	6.15
Roll-off Organics	20	3	3	0.23	4.62
Roll-off Organics	30	12	12	0.92	27.69
Roll-off Organics	40	1	1	0.08	3.08
Compactor Garbage*	15	•	1	1	1
Compactor Garbage*	16	2	2	0.15	7.38
Compactor Garbage*	20	4	4	0.31	18.46

Yountville											
Container type	Size	Count	# Pulls	Avg. Weekly Pulls	Avg. Weekly Yards						
Roll-off Garbage	20	4	4	0.31	6.15						
Roll-off Garbage	40	12	12	0.92	36.92						
Roll-off Organics	20	-	1	1	-						
Roll-off Organics	30	12	12	0.92	27.69						
Compactor Garbage*	20	8	8	0.62	36.92						
Compactor Recycling*	10	8	8	0.62	18.46						
Roll-off Recycling	20	4	4	0.31	18.46						

	N	apa County			
Container type	Size	Count	# Pulls	Avg. Weekly Pulls	Avg. Weekly Yards
Roll-off Garbage	20	96	96	7.38	147.69
Roll-off Garbage	30	5	5	0.38	11.54
Roll-off Garbage	40	4	4	0.31	12.31
Roll-off Recycling	20	5	5	0.38	7.69
Roll-off Recycling	30	24	24	1.85	55.38
Roll-off Recycling	40	1	1	-	-
Roll-off Organics	20	7	7	0.54	10.77
Roll-off Organics	30	3	3	0.23	6.92
Roll-off Organics	40	2	2	0.15	6.15
Compactor Garbage*	18	-	-	-	-
Compactor Garbage*	20	-	-	-	-
Compactor Garbage*	25	3	3	0.23	17.31
Compactor Recycling*	40	-	-	-	-

*Roll- off Compactor compaction rate is 3:1

Q3 2025 TEMPORARY ROLL-OFF AND COMPACTOR SERVICE LEVELS

		Calistoga	a a		
Container type	Size	Count	# Pulls	Avg. Weekly Pulls	Avg. Weekly Yards
Roll-off Dirt/Rock	10	5	5	0.38	3.85
Roll-off Garbage	20	11	11	0.85	16.92
Roll-off Garbage	30	4	4	0.31	9.23
Roll-off Garbage	40	2	2	0.15	6.15
Roll-off Recycling	20	9	9	0.69	13.85
Roll-off Recycling	30	8	8	0.62	18.46
Roll-off Recycling	40	17	17	1.31	52.31
Roll-off Organics	20	4	4	0.31	18.46
Roll-off Organics	30	2	2	0.15	13.85

		St Helena	a			
Container type	Size	Count	# Pulls	Avg. Weekly Pulls	Avg. Weekly Yards	
Roll-off Dirt/Rock	10	1	1	0.08	0.77	
Roll-off Garbage	20	8	8	0.62	12.31	
Roll-off Garbage	30	10	10	0.77	23.08	
Roll-off Garbage	40	4	4	0.31	12.31	
Roll-off Organics	20	3	3	0.23	4.62	
Roll-off Organics	30	6	6	0.46	13.85	
Roll-off Recycling	30	1	1	0.08	2.31	
Roll-off Recycling	20	6	6	0.46	9.23	

	Yountville											
Container type	Size	Size Count # Pulls		Avg. Weekly Pulls	Avg. Weekly Yards							
Roll-off Dirt/Rock	10	10	10	0.77	7.69							
Roll-off Garbage	20	4	4	0.31	6.15							
Roll-off Garbage	30	1	1	0.08	2.31							
Roll-off Garbage	40	17	17	1.31	52.31							
Roll-off Organics	20	18	18	1.38	27.69							
Roll-off Recycling	20	1	1	0.08	4.62							
Roll-off Organics	30	2	2	0.15	4.62							
Roll-off Organics	40	15	15	1.15	46.15							

		Napa Coul	nty		
Container type	Size	Count	# Pulls	Avg. Weekly Pulls	Avg. Weekly Yards
Roll-off Garbage	10	1	1	1	•
Roll-off Garbage	20	33	33	2.54	50.77
Roll-off Garbage	30	20	20	1.54	46.15
Roll-off Garbage	40	7	7	0.54	21.54
Roll-off Recycling	20	7	7	0.54	10.77
Roll-off Recycling	30	4	4	0.31	9.23
Roll-off Recycling	40	7	7	0.54	21.54
Roll-off Organics	20	14	14	1.08	21.54
Roll-off Organics	30	5	5	0.38	11.54
Roll-off Organics	40	-	-	-	-

*Roll- off Compactor compaction rate is 3:1

Customer Service Report

All customer service representatives (CSRs) and dispatchers use special codes in RMO, the customer management software, to document the types of calls, emails, and ACE requests, received from customers. We are continually working on training and process improvements for documentation. Drivers use on board computer tablets to document services completed or skipped using reason codes. They can also enter service notes and pictures of service issues for CSRs to use for customer education and/or informational purposes.

Customer Interaction Data

Most Q3 interactions were service, or general related. Service requests include starts, stops, service changes, resumes from being stopped for non-payment, bulky items, e-waste, oil pick up, debris box orders, and cart exchanges. General requests were to ask about various services, recycling, and organics questions, update billing/service information, questions about rates, proper ways to dispose of specific items, landfill inquiries (currently being entered as county residential calls in the General Inquiry column), etc. Billing calls include billing questions, My Account Portal help, collections calls, including outgoing, and payment arrangements. Billing and payment calls show an increase as staff work to reach customers regarding outdated payment methods. We have increased the number of outgoing personal calls to customers still making payments to old lockbox and P.O. Box addresses when other, more automated attempts have failed. Not every interaction will warrant a note code or work order, and some will have several. In general, the customer service and dispatch departments have continued to make increased efforts to document even minor customer interactions.

Q3 2025 RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER INTERACTION DATA

Residential	Calis	stoga	St. H	elena	Your	tville	Cou	ınty	Total Calls	Total Calls
Call Data Totals	Q3 2025	Q3 2024	Q3 2025	Q3 2024						
Billing	67	83	124	99	49	47	175	191	415	420
Payments	110	104	106	100	34	37	172	155	422	396
Service	256	219	329	331	105	78	470	395	1160	1023
General Inquiry	69	104	106	138	31	26	532	678	738	946
Misses	46	43	124	80	18	21	175	129	363	273
Complaints	1	3	6	5	0	0	10	13	17	21
Compliments	1	6	2	3	2	1	7	5	12	15
Total Calls	550	562	797	756	239	210	1541	1566	3127	3094

Q3 2025 COMMERCIAL CUSTOMER CALL DATA

Commercial	Calis	stoga	St. H	elena	Your	ntville	Cou	unty	Total Calls	Total Calls
Call Data	Q3 2025	Q3 2024	Q3 2025	Q3 2024						
Billing	61	34	29	20	14	5	79	79	183	138
Payments	31	26	34	25	22	12	137	79	224	142
Service	90	64	121	98	40	14	380	193	631	369
General Inquiry	33	35	32	43	17	8	95	82	177	168
Misses	18	7	18	6	9	4	30	21	75	38
Complaints	1	3	2	1	0	0	1	2	4	6
Compliments	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	1
Total Calls	237	169	236	193	102	43	723	457	1298	862

Residential and Commercial Service Requests

New customers are coded as New Service Starts. Customer accounts are closed due to service cancelation by the customer, or by the Company due to non-payment (SSNP). Customers who cancel service and restart their accounts at the same service address with the same service name are considered a "New Service Start."

Q3 2025 RESIDENTIAL SERVICE REQUESTS

Residential Service Requests	Calistoga	St. Helena	Yountville	lapa Count	Q3 2025 Totals	Q3 2024 Totals
New Service Starts	32	52	18	67	169	168
Cancel Service	29	57	20	61	167	145
Stop Service for Non-payment (SSNP)	12	17	6	17	52	182
Resume Service from SSNP	21	23	8	44	96	147
Service Change	7	17	7	49	80	81
Repair/Replace Cart	21	30	9	59	119	119
Illegal Dumping	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bulky Item	122	96	29	101	348	273
Total	244	292	97	398	1031	1115

Q3 2025 COMMERCIAL SERVICE REQUESTS

Commercial Service Requests	Calistoga	St. Helena	Yountville	Napa County	Q3 2025 Totals	Q4 2023 Totals
New Service Starts	8	5	2	2	17	14
Cancel Service	4	5	1	7	17	17
Stop Service for Non-payment (SSNP)	6	3	0	12	21	52
Resume Service from SSNP	4	4	0	9	17	28
Service Change	3	9	7	31	50	46
Repair/Replace Container at Customer's Request	7	12	4	16	39	49
Illegal Dumping	0	0	0	0	0	1
E-waste	1	1	0	1	3	3
Total	33	39	14	78	164	210

Summary of Complaints and Misses

The Company tracks complaint calls and resolutions in RMO using note codes. Issues that cannot be resolved with the customer on the phone are sent to the appropriate supervisor to resolve the issue. Property damage and complaints about service are always reviewed by a supervisor. All codes are date and time stamped.

COMPLAINT CODES

СОМРМ	Complaint: Multiple Misses	Reported misses > 1 per month.
COMPN	Complaint: Excessive Noise	Start times outside permitted/contracted hours.
COMPS	Complaint: Service	This may include discourteous behavior as well as any service-related complaint other than noise, property damage or multiple misses.
PROPD	Complaint: Property Damage	Damage to personal property during service.
RATES	Complaint: Rates	Complaints about rates or rate increase.
COMPR	Compliant: Resolution	How the problem was resolved.

COMPLAINT DATA BY AREA

Complaint Type	Calistoga	St. Helena	Yountville	Napa County	Q3 2025	Q3 2024
complaint Type	Canotoga	ou merema	Tourittime	rtapa county	Totals	Totals
Complaint: Multiple Misses	2	0	0	6	8	4
Complaint: Excessive Noise	0	0	0	0	0	5
Complaint: Service	0	6	0	4	10	13
Complaint: Property Damag	0	2	0	0	2	2
Complaint: Rates	0	0	0	1	1	3
Total Complaint Calls	2	8	0	11	21	27

All customer calls for misses are documented then reviewed in the tablet records to see if the driver has recorded a reason for the miss. All containers were emptied by the end of service week, or customers were given the opportunity to set out extra bags at no charge. Customers are notified via text through Drag app when routes are delayed, these calls are categorized in the not there yet column.

MISSES COMPLAINT REVIEW

MISSES COMPLAINT REVIEW	Q3 2025	Q3 2024
NOTEPAD CODE and REVIEW	Totals	Totals
MISSG: Miss Garbage	215	158
MISS	8	2
Serviced	95	86
Not out	54	25
Container blocked	4	3
Access blocked	4	26
Placement	1	2
Gate locked	4	0
Container locked	0	0
Contaminated	1	1
Overweight/Overfull	1	2
Road construction	9	5
Weather related	0	0
Account status issue	5	3
Not there yet	29	3
Prohibited waste type	0	0
MISSO: Miss Organics	131	81
MISS	19	4
Serviced	19	36
Not out	41	14
Container blocked	0	0
Access blocked	4	0
Placement	1	0
Gate locked	3	0
Container locked	0	0
Contaminated	0	0
Overweight/Overfull	1	0
Road construction	6	4
Weather related	0	0
Account status issue	3	1
Not there yet	34	22
Prohibited waste type	0	0
MISSR: Miss Recycling	92	72
MISS	3	5
Serviced	34	27
Not Out	25	18
Container blocked	1	1
Access blocked	2	5
Placement	1	0
Gate locked	1	0
Container locked	0	1
Contaminated	2	0
Overweight/Overfull	0	0
Road construction	3	0
Weather related	0	0
Account status issue	0	3
Not there yet	20	11
Prohibited waste type	0	1

Customer Billing Data

In RMO customers have the option to receive paper statements, electronic statements, or both. We have seen a steady decrease in customers who receive paper statements and an increase in customers who receive electronic statements as well as an increase in accounts signed up for MyAccount Portal.

Q3 2025 QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BILLING DATA

Residential Customer Data	Q3 2025 Totals	Q3 2024 Totals
# Customers who receive only paper statements	2,974	3,407
# Customers who receive only electronic Statements	2,917	2,616
#Customers who receive both paper and e-statements	111	*
# Customers who have signed up for autopay through MyAccount Portal	2,929	2,695

^{*}No data available for line 3, 2024.

Q3 2025 QUARTERLY COMMERCIAL BILLING DATA

Commercial Customer Data	Q3 2025 Totals	Q3 2024 Totals
# Customers who receive only paper statements	601	667
# Customers who receive only electronic Statements	419	369
#Customers who receive both paper and e-statements	54	*
# Customers who have signed up for autopay through MyAccount Portal	374	341

^{*}No data available for line 3, 2024.

New & Existing Programs Report

Paper Cups are now accepted in mixed recycling stream

Since June, Upper Valley Disposal has expanded its recycling program to include all paper cups in the mixed recycling stream. This change represents a positive shift in sustainability efforts across our service area. To ensure proper sorting, customers are asked to remove lids and straws before recycling their cups, as these components must be placed in the trash. In collaboration with the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA), outreach staff have been actively educating both residential and commercial customers about the new guidelines, aiming to boost awareness and encourage environmentally responsible habits throughout the community. This program was started in Q2, in Q3 we developed a plan to begin working with local coffee shops on signage and training. We look forward to continuing this partnership with our community into Q4.

Participation by Service Program & Customer Type

Overall, participation in all our garbage, single stream recycling, and organics programs has increased for both commercial and residential customers.

Q3 2025 COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Q3 2025 Residential Collection Program Participation	Q3 2024	Q3 2025
Garbage Only	0.75%	0.64%
Garbage + Recycling	6.27%	5.85%
Garbage + Organics	0.77%	0.75%
Garbage + Organics + Recycling	92.21%	92.76%
	100.00%	100.00%
Q3 2025 Commercial Collection Program Participation		
Garbage Only	2.83%	2.77%
Garbage + Recycling	30.46%	24.01%
Garbage + Organics	0.71%	0.64%
Garbage + Organics + Recycling	66.00%	70.01%
Organics + Recycling	N/A	1.92%
Recycling Only	N/A	0.53%
Organics Only	N/A	0.11%
	100%	100%

Two programs are offered for residential customers at no additional charge; bulky item collection and used motor oil & filters collection. Mobile home residents are broken out separately from single family residences in Tables. Because of service area demographics, oil and filter curbside recycling has been historically low and is utilized by a small but reoccurring number of customers.

Q3 2025 BULKY ITEM/REUSABLE MATERIAL COLLECTION PROGRAM

Residential Bulky/Reusable Item Collection Program								
Bulky item program Household items E-Waste Items Appliances Battery Contain					Battery Containers			
	# Of Participants		# Of Items	# Of Items	# Of Items			
Q3 2024	197	261	109	106	2			
Q3 2025	254	327	173	106	7			

Mobile Home Park Residents Bulky/Reusable Item Collection Program								
Bulky item program		Household items E-Waste Items		Appliances	Battery Container			
	# Of Participants # Of Item		# Of Items	# Of Items	# Of Items			
Q3 2024	58	65	28	6	*			
Q3 2025	51	50	19	16	2			

Q3 2025 USED MOTOR OIL & FILTER COLLECTION PROGRAM

Used Motor Oil/ Filter Collection Program								
Used Motor Oil Used Motor Oil Filters								
Quarter	# Of Items	# Of Items	# Participants					
Q3 2024	39	31	28	22				
Q3 2025	54	17	36	17				

Q3 2025 COMMERCIAL E-WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM

Commercial E-Waste Collection Program						
E-Waste Items						
# Of Items # Of Participants						
Q3 2024	12	3				
Q3 2025	7	3				

Tonnage Report:

Q3 2025 Tons Marketed - UVWMA Franchised Materials

*Due to the closure of the Whitehall Ln MRF, most recycling is being sorted and processed out of Ukiah.

UPPER VALLEY DISP	OSAL SERV	ICE			
Tons Marketed - UVV	VMA Franci	hised Mate	rials		
Q3 2025					

Q0 2020									
	Ju	ıly		Α	ugu	ıst	September		er
Commodity	Tons	Αv	g \$/Ton	Tons	Αv	g \$/Ton	Tons	Av	g \$/Ton
Newspaper	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$	-
Cardboard	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	114	\$:	105.00
Paper - Mixed Paper	-	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$	-
Aluminum	1	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$	-
Tin Cans	1	\$	-	-	\$	-	-	\$	-
Glass	99	\$	40.00	-	\$	-	181	\$	9.00
HDPE - Clear	1	\$	-	3	\$	93	-	\$	-
HDPE - Colored									
LDPE - FILM									
Plastic - PET									
Plastic - Mixed	1	\$	-	-	\$	-	40	\$	33.00
Metal									
	99	\$	40	3	\$	93.00	335	\$:	147.00

Q3 2025 Summary Tonnage Report - UVWMA Franchised Materials

Facility	Material	July	August	September	Q3-Total
	Garbage Materials	2,182	1,842	1,733	5,757
	Recyclable Materials	307.28	317.07	271.55	896
Clover Flat Landfill	Organic Materials	292.65	281.52	179.71	754
Glover Flat Lanunit	Construction & Demolition Debris	232	238	282	752
	Tons Accepted/Collected	3,014	2,679	2,466	8,159
	Tons Disposed	2,182	1,842	1,733	5,757
	Recyclable Materials	696.67	603.62	553.84	1,854
UVR	Organic Materials	540.13	518.19	484.38	1,543
OVN	Tons Accepted/Collected	1236.8	1121.81	1038.22	3,397
	Tons Disposed	9.32	3.17	0.00	12.49
	Solid Waste	2,182	1,842	1,733	5,757
	Recyclable Materials	1003.95	920.69	825.39	2750.03
Total Tons	Organic Materials	833	800	664	2,297
TOTAL TOTIS	Construction & Demolition Debris	232	238	282	752
	Tons Accepted/Collected	4,251	3,801	3,504	11,556
	Tons Disposed	2,182	1,842	1,733	5,757

Member Report

Member Facility Services

Member agencies are offered a variety of container types, sizes, and collection frequency at the contracted facilities. Tables show each member facility, the services subscribed to, container sizes/frequency of collection and weekly yardage by service area. Diversion (recycling) rates for each facility are weekly percentages based on all services.

Calistoga

CALISTOGA MEMBER FACILITIES & SERVICES

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards/Tons
Calistoga Corp Yard	6142472	414 Washington Street	Commercial Garbage Service	10 Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	Emptied one time in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 10.81
	6142472	414 Washington Street	Commercial Garbage Service	20 Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	Emptied eight times in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 9.29
	6142492	414 Washington Street	Commercial Recycling Service	4 Yard Front Load Bin	2	Emptied once per week	4
	6142492	414 Washington Street	Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	3	Emptied once per week	1.44
•	,					Recycling (Diversion) Rate	13%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Calistoga Police Department	6142479	1235 Washington Street	Commercial Garbage Service	No Service	0		
Dopartinone			Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	3	Emptied once per week	1.44
			Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	100%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Calistoga Public Pool	6142474	1745 Washington Street	Commercial Garbage Service	96-gallon	4	Emptied once per week	1.92
			Commercial Garbage Service	96-gallon	4	Emptied once per week	1.92
			Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	56%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Calistoga City Hall	6142486	1232 Washington Street	Commercial Garbage Service	64-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.32
			Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
			Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	75%

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Calistoga City Cans	6142476	Various Locations on Washington & Lincoln	Commercial Garbage Service	32-gallon	27	Emptied four times per week	17.11
			Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	25	Emptied once per week	11.88
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	41%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Napa County Fairgrounds	6142463	1435 North Oak Street	Commercial Garbage Service	30yd Roll- Off Garbage	1	No empties in Q3	
			Commercial Recycling Service	6 Yard Front Load Recycling	2	Emptied once per week	12
			Commercial Organics Service	No Service	0		
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	100%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Napa County Fairgrounds- RO	6209118	1435 North Oak Street	Commercial Garbage Service	3.5 Yard Garbage	1	Emptied eleven times in Q3	44
			Commercial Garbage Service	20yd Roll- Off Garbage	1	Emptied ten times in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 30.19
			Commercial Organics Service	20 Yard Roll- Off Greenwaste	1	Emptied three times in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 5.97
			Commercial Organics Service	30 Yard Roll- Off Greenwaste	1	No empties in Q3	
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	100%

St. Helena

ST. HELENA MEMBER FACILITY SERVICES

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
St. Helena Old City Hall/Public Works	6142487	1572 Railroad Avenue	Commercial Garbage Service	4 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied once per week	4
			Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	3	Emptied once per week	1.43
			Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	32%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
St. Helena Old Police/Fire Depart.	6142467	1480 Main Street	Commercial Garbage Service	4 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied twice per week	
			Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	8	Emptied once per week	3.8
			Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	2	Emptied once per week	0.4
			Commercial Food Scraps Service	64-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.3
		,				Recycling (Diversion) Rate	53%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
St. Helena Rec Dept.	6142483	1574 Railroad Ave	Commercial Garbage Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.4
			Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.4
			Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.4
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	67%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
St. Helena Library	6142468	1492 Library Lane	Commercial Garbage Service	2 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied once per week	
	•	•	Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	3	Emptied once per week	1.4
			Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.4
						Recycling	

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards/ Tons
St. Helena Corp Yard	6142464	1405 Charter Oak	Commercial Garbage Service	10-Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	Emptied seven times in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 62.04
	6142464	1406 Charter Oak	Commercial Garbage Service	20-Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	Emptied six times in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 20.71
	6142464	1405 Charter Oak	Commercial Garbage Service	30-Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	Emptied four times in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 17.36
	6142466	1405 Charter Oak	Commercial Garbage Service	2 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied twice per week	4
	03-6824	1088 College Ave	Commercial Garbage Service	10-Yard Roll-off Dirt/Rock	2	Emptied zero times in Q3	0.00
	6142466	1405 Charter Oak	Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	3	Emptied once per week	1.43
	6142466 1405 Charter Oa		Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	27%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Crane Park	6142481	360 Crane Ave	Commercial Garbage Service	20 Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	Emptied once in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 1.73
	6142465	360 Crane Ave	Commercial Garbage Service	6 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied three per week	18
	6142465	360 Crane Ave	Commercial Recycling Service	4 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied once per week	4
			Commercial Organics Service	No Service	0		0
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	33%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Waste Water Treatment Plant	6142471	254 S St. Helena Hwy	Commercial Garbage Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
	•		Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	2	Emptied once per week	0.95
			Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	75%
Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards/Tons
Water Treatment Plant	6142505	410 Crystal Springs Road	Commercial Garbage Service	20 Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	No empties in Q3	
	6142491	410 Crystal Springs Road	Commercial Garbage Service	4 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied once per week	4
		410 Crystal Springs Road	Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
		410 Crystal Springs Road	Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	21%

Yountville

YOUNTVILLE MEMBER FACILITY SERVICES

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Yountville Community Hall	6142469	6516 Washington Street	Commercial Garbage Service	96-gallon	6	Emptied once per week	2.85
			Commercial Recycling Service	4 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied once per week	4
			Commercial Food Scraps Service	64-gallon	2	Emptied once per week	0.63
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	62%

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards/Tons
Waste Water Treatment	6142473	7501 Solano Avenue	Commercial Garbage Service	2 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied once per week	2
	6142477	7501 Solano Avenue	Commercial Garbage Service	20 Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	Emptied four times in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 13.72
	6142473	7501 Solano Avenue	Commercial Recycling Service	6 Yard Front Load Bin Recycle	1	Emptied once per week	6.00
	6142477	7501 Solano Avenue	Commercial Organics Service	20 Yard Roll-off Greenwaste	1	No empties in Q3	
	6142477	7501 Solano Avenue	Commercial Organics Service	30 Yard Roll-off Greenwaste	1	Emptied three times in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 12.86
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	20%

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Yountville Town Hall	6142495	6550 Yount Street	Commercial Garbage Service	96-gallon	2	Emptied once per week	0.96
			Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	2	Emptied once per week	0.96
			Commercial Organics Service	No service	0		
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	60%

Napa County

Napa County Member Facilities

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards/Tons
Napa County Roads Department	6142480	7292 S Silverado Trail	Commercial Garbage Service	40 Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	Emptied one time in Q3	Total Tons in Q3: 2.93
	6142490	7294 Silverado Trail	Commercial Garbage Service	40 Yard Roll-off Garbage	1	No empties in Q3	
	6142480	7292 S Silverado Trail	Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	2	Emptied once per week	1.43
	6142480	7292 S Silverado Trail	Commercial Organics Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	100%

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Napa County Public Works	6142482	2446 Stagecoach Canyon	Commercial Garbage Service	32-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.16
			Commercial Recycling Service	96-gallon	1	Emptied once per week	0.48
			Commercial Organics Service	No Service			
						Recycling (Diversion) Rate	75%

Facility Name	Acct.#	Service Address	Service	Container Size	Container Count	Details	Total Weekly Yards
Calistoga Waste Water Treatment Plant	6142470	1100 Dunaweal Lane	Commercial Garbage Service	2 Yard Front Load Bin Trash	1	Emptied once per week	2
			Commercial Recycling	4 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied once per	
			Service	Recycle	1	week	4
			0	2 Yard Front Load Bin	1	Emptied once per	
			Commercial Organics Service	Compost	1	week	2
						Recycling	
						(Diversion) Rate	75%

Outreach & Education Report

In collaboration with UVWMA, the Company provides education and outreach to the community that helps reach our mutual diversion goals on the path to zero waste. The Company is committed to engaging in and educating the communities we serve to empower them to be part of the solution. Outreach is the most important aspect in reaching these goals. The operations team, customer service, and Community Outreach Coordinators all work together to help all customers have the "right size" service that fits their needs and results in keeping resources out of the landfill and into the right containers. UVDS offers a diverse communications strategy to engage customers to embrace a culture of resource conservation.

The attachments below highlight the various types of outreach provided to the community. To reach the most customers, the Company uses a combination of communication strategies including tabling at community events, giving tours, presentations at sustainability events, social media and direct mailers through bill inserts to customers regularly. Customer questions and driver feedback help guide the messaging content.

FIGURE 1: EXAMPLE SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS & NEWSLETTERS



Upper Valley Disposal & Recycling

Posted by Eva Robledo Aug 22 · 🔇

Clover Flat Resource Recovery Park is temporarily closed due to the Pickett Fire evacuation.

We're prioritizing safety and will update our customers as soon as it's safe to reopen.

A huge thank you to our brave first responders working tirelessly to protect our community. We're deeply grateful for your courage and dedication.



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The safety of our staff, customers, and community is our top priority.



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We will continue to monitor the situation closely and provide updates as soon as we are able to safely resume operations.

Thank you for your understanding and support during this time.



Upper Valley Disposal & Recycling

Posted by Eva Robledo

Aug 27 · 🚱

HOLIDAY REMINDER- LABOR DAY SEPTEMBER 1st 2025

Service will NOT be interrupted for the upcoming Holiday. Service will remain as normal, please be sure to set out your carts on your regular service day.

However, our UVDS office will be closed for the Holiday. We will return to our regular business hours on Tuesday, September 2nd.

Happy Labor Day!



LABOR DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

SERVICE WILL NOT BE INTERRUPTED, PLEASE BE SURE TO SETOUT CARTS ON YOUR REGULAR SERVICE DAY.





Safe Disposal Tips for Hazardous Waste

As temperatures rise, so does the risk of hot loads—fires can ignite inside garbage trucks due to improperly discarded hazardous materials. Lithium batteries, oily rags, partially empty can of paint, hot ashes, and propane tanks can spark dangerous fires, putting crews and equipment at risk.

- r dispose of batteries or electronics in regular trash—take them to nated drop-off sites. Or, call our office to schedule a bulky item
- pickup! Let oily rags dry completely before disposal or store them in a sealed metal

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 able in plastic bags or directly in bins, as lingering embers can region.

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RATE ADJUSTMENT

As part of a three year process to modernize and improve collection and facility operations, the June 2023 rate setting process established and approved a 2.69% rate increase. effective July 1st, 2025.

FLIP THE LID

State law requires residents and businesses State law requires residents and businesses place compostable and recyclable materials in the appropriate carts and bins. It also requires that we periodically inspect customer carts and bins. During our inspections, we'll check garbage, recycling, and compost carts and bins to see whether customers are placing the correct materials into them. YOU MAY SEE OUR STAFF conducting these "flip-the-lid" inspections in your neighborhood beginning in July, if we note any contamination problems, we'll let you know, and provide educational we'll let you know, and provide educational information to make things clear.





Split-Body Trucks: Smarter Waste Collection

Ever seen one of our trucks collecting two types of waste at once? That's a split-body truck—designed with two separate compartments to keep waste streams apart.

By handling recyclables and general refuse or organic waste and general refuse in one trip, these trucks cut fuel use, reduce collection time, and lower emissions, making waste management more efficient and eco-friendly.

Upcoming Holidays

Waste Collection Reminders

- mpost all food scraps- NO DUIDS IN THE GREEN BIN, SOLID ODS ONLY ak down card



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Upcoming Holidays

7/4/25: JULY 4th - ONLY FRIDAY PICKUPS WILL BE DELAYED, FRIDAY PICKUP WILL BE ON SATURDAY

COLLECTION WILL NOT BE AFFECTED SET OUT REGULAR SERVICE DAY.

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KEEP YOUR EVENT CLEAN & GREEN

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Keep Liquids Out of Food Waste Carts

- Strain all food and other compostable products of all liquid before disposing in your food waste cart. For instance, any leafy vegetables, fruits, and greasy meats should not be placed directly in the food waste cart if they have juices that can be strained first.



FIGURE 2: DIVERSION REPORT (COMMERCIAL)

* 1.1. 2025*				Teach		T-4-11M-1-14/T
July 2025 1178 Galleron Lane, St. Helena	1178 Galleron Lane			Trash	N-4 18/4	Total Weight (Tons)
Commidity/Acct#	Service			2-6 yard Bins 7/3/2025	Net Wt 2.6	Total Trash 20.8
Trash 01-24112 & 01-31339				7/10/2025	2.6	20.8
Mixed Recycling 01-24112	2-6 yard bins 2 yard bin			7/14/2025	2.6	
Food Waste 01-24112	2-64 gallon carts			7/17/2025	2.6	
Compost 01-24112	1-96 gallon cart			7/21/2025	2.6	
Pomace 03-30048	20 yard box(es)				2.6	
Polliace 03-30046	20 yard box(es)			7/24/2025	2.6	
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				2 yard Bin	Net Wt.	Total Mixed
				7/7/2025	0.2	
				7/14/2025	0.2	0.8
					0.2	
				7/21/2025		
				7/28/2025	0.2	
				Food Waste		
					Not W	Total FW
				2-64 gallon Carts	Net Wt.	
				7/14/2025	0.5	1.5
				7/21/2025	0.5	
				7/28/2025	0.5	
				Compost		
				1-96-gallon Cart	Net Wt.	Total Compost
				7/21/2025	0.18	0.54
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					0.18	
				Pomace		
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				Plastic		
				20-yard box	Net Wt.	Total Plastic
				Trash		
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Outreach Events July 1, 2025 - September 30, 2025

- July 1st 2025: Zinfandel Lane Cart Tagging (No Carts in the Bike Lane)
- July 2nd 2025: Opus One Wellness Fair
- July 7th-July 17th 2025: Residential Lid Flips
- July 18th 2025: St. Helena Farmers Market
- July 21st 2025: Charles Krug Roll Off Audit at CFL
- July 24th 2025: Opus One Houskeeping Training (spanish)
- July 29th 2025: Bothe Recycling Activity
- August 1st 2025: Napa County Farmworker Housing Center Site Visit
- August 8th 2025: Tres Sabores Winery Waste Training
- August 11th 2025: Rutherford Hill Winery Waste Training
- August 14th 2025: Opus One Vineyard Crew Waste Training
- August 15th 2025: Grigch Hills Waste Training
- August 18th 2025: Grigch Hills Waste Training (Spanish)
- August 22nd 2025: Inglenook Waste Training
- September 4th 2025: CIA Faculty Waste Training
- September 5th 2025: St. Helena Farmers Market
- September 7th-25th 2025: Commercial Lid Flips

State Recycling Laws

There are several laws that mandate recycling for commercial customers. The three most relevant laws are summarized below.

- 1. <u>AB 341 (Chesbro) Mandatory Commercial Recycling Collection</u> enacted in 2012, requires commercial businesses that generate four or more cubic yards of garbage per week and multifamily dwellings with 5 or more units to recycle. Generators are not mandated to subscribe to a service; they may self-haul or donate recyclable materials. This law mandates education, outreach, monitoring and reporting of compliance with the law; however, there are no penalties for non-compliance.
- 2. AB 1826 (Chesbro) Mandatory Organic Recycling Collection, enacted in 2016, requires commercial businesses and multifamily dwellings with 5 or more units to recycle organic waste (yard waste, non-treated wood waste, food waste and food soiled papers). Generators are not mandated to subscribe to a service; they may self-haul materials to an organics processing facility or compost limited amounts of materials on site. In 2020, the requirement dropped to 2 cubic yards combined with solid waste from 4 cubic yards. This law mandates education, outreach, monitoring and reporting of compliance with the law; however, there are no penalties for non-compliance.
- 3. SB 1383 (Lara) Short Lived Climate Pollutants: Organics Waste Methane Emissions Reductions was signed into law in 2016 and went into effect January 1, 2022. This law sets two targets for the State:
 - 1) To reduce organic waste disposal by 50% by 2020 and 75% by 2025
 - 2) To rescue at least 20% of currently disposed surplus food for people to eat. This law mandates education, outreach, monitoring and reporting of compliance with the law. However, unlike the previous two laws, this law includes enforcement and penalties for jurisdictions, processors/facilities, and generators and includes residential customers.



Napa County

Board Agenda Letter

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Main: (707) 253-4580

Agenda Date: 12/15/2025

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2052

TO: **Board of Directors**

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

REPORT BY: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

SUBJECT: Waste Management Companies' Issues

RECOMMENDATION

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMPANIES' ISSUES

DISCUSSION ITEM: This is an opportunity for the franchisee(s) to discuss/raise any items of concern they may wish the UVA to consider.

BACKGROUND

None

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.



Napa County

Board Agenda Letter

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Agenda Date: 12/15/2025

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2055

TO: **Board of Directors**

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

REPORT BY: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

SUBJECT: Manager's Report

RECOMMENDATION

MANAGER'S REPORT

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Manager to provide an update on the status of current activities.

BACKGROUND

Monthly Financial Report: The most recent financial report is attached.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

Report Executed: 12/9/2025 11:19:41 AM



Statement of Revenues and Expenses Budget vs. Actual

Fiscal Year: 2026 Through Period: 12

Fund: 8200 - Upper Valley Waste Mgmt Auth

		Budget					
Object	Adopted	Adjustments	Revised	Encumbrances	Actuals	Available Budget	% of Budget
Intergovernmental Revenues							
43420 - ST - Dept of Conservation	25,000.00	-	25,000.00	-	-	25,000.00	0.00 %
43790 - ST - Other Funding	269,783.53	-	269,783.53	-	-	269,783.53	0.00 %
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	294,783.53	-	294,783.53	-	-	294,783.53	0.00%
Revenue from Use of Money and Property							
45100 - Interest	35,000.00	-	35,000.00	-	26,537.09	8,462.91	75.82 %
Total Revenue from Use of Money and	35,000.00	-	35,000.00	-	26,537.09	8,462.91	75.82%
Charges for Services							
46800 - Charges for Services	560,000.00	-	560,000.00	-	158,251.36	401,748.64	28.26 %
Total Charges for Services	560,000.00	-	560,000.00	-	158,251.36	401,748.64	28.26%
Services and Supplies							
52100 - Administration Services	265,000.00	-	265,000.00	-	98,308.24	166,691.76	37.10 %
52125 - Accounting/Auditing Services	20,000.00	-	20,000.00	-	4,200.00	15,800.00	21.00 %
52140 - Legal Services	50,000.00	-	50,000.00	41,108.00	8,892.00	-	100.00 %
52310 - Consulting Services	170,000.00	-	170,000.00	87,732.90	48,267.10	34,000.00	80.00 %
52330 - Hazardous Waste Disposal Svcs	75,000.00	-	75,000.00	70,000.00	-	5,000.00	93.33 %
52600 - Rents/Leases - Equipment	200.00	-	200.00	275.45	-	(75.45)	137.73 %
52700 - Insurance - Liability	4,970.00	-	4,970.00	-	2,437.50	2,532.50	49.04 %
52800 - Communications/Telephone	750.00	-	750.00	-	249.85	500.15	33.31 %
52810 - Advertising/Marketing	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	-	5,237.67	24,762.33	17.46 %
52820 - Printing and Binding	42,000.00	-	42,000.00	-	2,170.20	39,829.80	5.17 %
52830 - Publications and Legal Notices	1,500.00	-	1,500.00	-	-	1,500.00	0.00 %
52900 - Training/Conference Expenses	500.00	-	500.00	-	-	500.00	0.00 %
52905 - Business Travel/Mileage	500.00	-	500.00	-	-	500.00	0.00 %
53100 - Office Supplies	50.00	-	50.00	-	-	50.00	0.00 %
53110 - Freight/Postage	50.00	-	50.00	-	-	50.00	0.00 %
53400 - Minor Equipment/Small Tools	100.00	-	100.00	-	476.84	(376.84)	476.84 %
53600 - Special Department Expense	250,000.00	-	250,000.00	-	67,486.93	182,513.07	26.99 %

Total Services and Supplies	910,620.00	-	910,620.00	199,116.35	237,726.33	473,777.32	47.97%
Other Charges							
54805 - Community Grants	330,000.00	-	330,000.00	6,250.00	125,349.77	198,400.23	39.88 %
Total Other Charges	330,000.00	-	330,000.00	6,250.00	125,349.77	198,400.23	39.88%
33100 - Beginning Available Fund Balance					2,197,247.22		
Total Revenues	889,783.53		889,783.53		184,788.45	704,995.08	20.77 %
Total Expenditures	1,240,620.00		1,240,620.00	205,366.35	363,076.10	672,177.55	45.82 %
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(350,836.47)		(350,836.47)		(178,287.65)		
33100 - Current Available Fund Balance					2,018,959.57		

 From:
 Collins, Patrick

 To:
 Lederer, Steven

 Cc:
 Ramirez, Alice; Gero, Paul

Subject: RE: Settlement between Napa County and Clover Flat Landfill

Date: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 10:46:27 AM

Attachments: File Endorsed Complaint 9.12.25.pdf

Executed Final Judgment 9.16.25.pdf

Hi Steve,

The case related to CFL's spill of leachate in March 2019, and the subsequent discovery of unapproved grading and construction of a road through the water course of two streams on the property. Copies of the complaint and judgment are attached, which provide more detail. But the major points of the settlement are summarized as follows:

- The complaint and judgment cover violations of Fish and Game Code sections 5650 (water pollution) and 1602 (substantial alteration or obstruction of a streambed), which occurred at Clover Flat Landfill in March 2019.
- CFL is enjoined from allowing the discharge of any pollutant into the streams, failing to maintain adequate leachate/contaminated stormwater storage, and failing to notify the Department of Fish and Wildlife before undertaking any alteration or obstruction of the streams.
- CFL must complete a 4.24-acre environmental restoration project at the landfill within two years. The project has been approved by the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board.
- CFL must record a deed restriction which will protect in perpetuity the area restored by the above project.
- CFL must fund three offsite environmental restoration projects as follows: (1) \$1.55 million to
 the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District for the Bale Slough
 restoration project; (2) \$954,000 to the Napa County Resource Conservation District for the
 Huichica Creek restoration project; and \$150,000 to be used by the Resource Conservation
 District for either the Huichica Creek project or the Suscol Creek restoration project.
- CFL will pay \$500,000 in civil penalties, of which \$400,000 is stayed if they do not violate the judgment. CFL will also pay \$65,000 in investigative costs.

It is important to note that this case/settlement only relates to the violations of the Fish and Game Code observed by the Department of Fish and Wildlife in or around early 2019. This settlement does not cover any other allegations against CFL. In addition, the Regional Water Quality Control Board fined CFL \$619,400 for the 2019 leachate spills, and the Napa County Department of Planning, Building, and Environmental Services also fined CFL \$107,020 for the 2019 leachate spills.

I'm happy to discuss further if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Pat

Patrick Collins

Deputy District Attorney

Napa County District Attorney's Office

Consumer/Environmental Protection Unit

Phone: (707) 253-4493

From: Lederer, Steven < Steven.Lederer@countyofnapa.org>

Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 9:55 AM

To: Gero, Paul <PAUL.GERO@countyofnapa.org>; Collins, Patrick

<Patrick.Collins@countyofnapa.org>

Cc: Ramirez, Alice < Alice. Ramirez@countyofnapa.org>

Subject: RE: Settlement between Napa County and Clover Flat Landfill

Great, thanks in advance to you both.

From: Gero, Paul < PAUL.GERO@countyofnapa.org

Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 9:54 AM

To: Lederer, Steven < <u>Steven.Lederer@countyofnapa.org</u>>; Collins, Patrick

<Patrick.Collins@countyofnapa.org>

Cc: Ramirez, Alice < Alice.Ramirez@countyofnapa.org >

Subject: Re: Settlement between Napa County and Clover Flat Landfill

Good morning.

Yes, happy to help. DDA Patrick Collins can provide you information on the settlement. He is added to this email.

Best,

Paul

From: Lederer, Steven < <u>Steven.Lederer@countyofnapa.org</u>>

Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 9:27 AM

To: Gero, Paul < PAUL.GERO@countyofnapa.org>

Cc: Ramirez, Alice <<u>Alice.Ramirez@countyofnapa.org</u>>

Subject: Settlement between Napa County and Clover Flat Landfill

I understand the DA recently completed a settlement agreement with the owners of CFL to resolve various environmental problems that happened at the facility back in 2019. My Upper

Valley Waste Management Agency Board asked for a summary of the terms of the settlement.

Is that something you could provide please? My Board meets again in early December.

Thanks in advance.

Steve Lederer
Director, Napa County Department of Public Works
Manager, Upper Valley Waste Management Agency
Fiscal Responsibility**Transparency**Integrity**Service**Teamwork

DELAY REDUCTION CASE

1 **ALLISON HALEY** ENDORSED District Attorney, County of Napa 2 Patrick Collins, SBN 253872 Deputy District Attorney SEP 12 2025 3 1127 First Street, Suite C CLERK OF THE NAPA SUPERIOR COURT Napa, CA 94559 4 By: E. BOWDEN Tel: (707) 253-4211 Fax: (707) 253-4041 5 Patrick.Collins@countyofnapa.org CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE 6 Attorneys for Plaintiff, TAKE: 2:3Gem The People of the State of California PLACE. COURSION _ 7 825 Brown Street, Name CA 94559 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 8 COUNTY OF NAPA 9 10 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, 25CV001855 Case No. 11 Plaintiff. COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTION, CIVIL 12 v. PENALTIES, AND OTHER **EOUITABLE RELIEF** 13 VISTA CORPORATION AND CLOVER FLAT LAND FILL INC.. 14 15 Defendants. 16 17 Plaintiff, the People of the State of California, appears through its attorneys, Allison 18 Haley, District Attorney for the County of Napa, by Deputy District Attorney Patrick Collins, 19 and alleges upon information and belief: 20 THE PARTIES 21 1. The Plaintiff is the People of the State of California (hereinafter "the People" or 22 "Plaintiff"). The People are represented through the District Attorney of Napa County. 23 2. Plaintiff, by this action, seeks to enjoin Defendant Vista Corporation and 24 Defendant Clover Flat Land Fill Inc. (collectively, "Defendants") from engaging in the 25 unlawful practices alleged herein, and seeks civil penalties, injunctive relief, and environmental 26 restoration costs for the Defendants' violations of Fish and Game Code sections 1602, 5650, 27

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and 5652, and Business and Professions Code section 17200.

- 3. Defendant Vista Corporation is a California corporation with its principal place of business located at 4380 Silverado Trail N, Calistoga, California 94515, and its headquarters located at 3 Waterway Square Place, Suite 110, The Woodlands, Texas 77380.
- 4. Defendant Clover Flat Land Fill Inc. is a California Corporation with its principal place of business located at 4380 Silverado Trail N, Calistoga, California 94515, and its headquarters located at 3 Waterway Square Place, Suite 110, The Woodlands, Texas 77380.
- 5. Whenever reference is made in this Complaint to any act of the corporate Defendants, such reference shall be deemed to mean that the corporations' officers, directors, members, employees, agents, or representatives did, ratified, or authorized such act while actively engaged in the management, direction or control of the affairs of the corporate Defendants or while acting within the scope and course of their duties.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 6. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to article 6, section 10, of the California Constitution.
- 7. The authority of the District Attorney to bring this action is derived from the statutory law of the State of California, specifically Fish and Game Code sections 1602, 1615, 5650, 5650.1, and 5652, and Business and Professions Code sections 17203, 17204, and 17206.
- 8. This Court has jurisdiction over Defendants pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 410.10 because Defendants are California corporations, and the causes of action alleged herein arise out of business activities that occurred in the County of Napa.
- 9. Venue is appropriate in this Court because the violations of law alleged herein have been carried out within Napa County.
- 10. Plaintiff and Defendants have entered into an agreement to toll any applicable statutes of limitation. As a result of this agreement, each day from March 25, 2019, through July 30, 2025, (hereinafter, the "Tolling Period"), will not be included in computing the time limited by any statute of limitations applicable to any and all causes of action brought herein against Defendants.

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LEGAL BACKGROUND

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2	11. Pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, "[a]n entity shall not
3	substantially divert or obstruct the natural flow of, or substantially change or use any material
4	from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake," without first submitting written
5	notification regarding these activities to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife
6	("DFW"). Upon receiving the written notification and applicable fees, DFW may determine
7	whether the activity requires a Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement ("LSAA") prior to
8	commencement. As used in section 1602, the term "entity" "means any person, state or local
9	governmental agency, or public utility that is subject to [chapter 6 of the Fish and Game
10	Code]." (Fish & Game Code § 1601(d).)
11	12. Pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 5650, "it is unlawful to deposit in,
12	permit to pass into, or place where it can pass into the waters of this state [a]ny substance

- n, permit to pass into, or place where it can pass into the waters of this state . . . [a]ny substance or material deleterious to fish, plant life, mammals, or bird life."
- 13. Pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 5652(a), "[i]t is unlawful to deposit, permit to pass into, or place where it can pass into the waters of the state, or to abandon, dispose of, or throw away, within 150 feet of the high water mark of the waters of the state, any cans, bottles, garbage, motor vehicle or parts thereof, rubbish, litter, refuse, waste, debris, or the viscera or carcass of any dead mammal, or the carcass of any dead bird."

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 14. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, Defendants owned and operated the landfill doing business as Clover Flat Resource Recovery Park ("Clover Flat"), located at 4380 Silverado Trail N, Calistoga, California 94515.
- 15. An intermittent stream, which is a tributary of the Napa River, runs along the eastern side of Clover Flat landfill ("Stream 1"). Another intermittent stream, which is a tributary of Stream 1, runs along the northeastern boundary of Clover Flat landfill ("Stream 2").

Department of Fish and Wildlife Investigation

16. On or about March 26, 2019, Defendants discharged approximately 40,000

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gallons of leachate into Stream 1.

- 17. Leachate is a liquid containing soluble dissolved or suspended materials that is generated as a result of rainwater and moisture percolating through the waste in a landfill.
- 18. DFW wardens and other staff visited Clover Flat multiple times in late March and early April 2019.
- 19. In addition to the discharge of leachate, DFW staff observed significant alterations to the bed, bank, and channel of both Stream 1 and Stream 2. These alterations included the excavation of a road through what had been Stream 2, as well as the removal of trees and other vegetation forming the riparian canopy, and the deposit of rock and mineral earth wastes from construction.
- 20. DFW staff observed that these alterations caused erosion, which then caused fine sediment to run into Stream 1 and Stream 2.
- 21. Defendants failed to notify DFW and failed to apply for a LSAA before making such drastic alterations to the streams.
- 22. Near the confluence of Stream 1 and Stream 2, DFW staff also observed large amounts of litter, including plastic bags, Styrofoam, roof shingles, and concrete.
- 23. The release of leachate, sediment, and other waste can have a substantial detrimental impact on water quality and aquatic life. Here, in the months following the March 2019 leachate spill, DFW staff did not observe any aquatic life in Stream 1 or Stream 2 adjacent to the landfill. However, DFW staff did observe aquatic life in Stream 1 upstream of the landfill.

Water Board Investigation

- 24. The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board ("Water Board") regulates Clover Flat under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activities, Order 2014-0057-DWQ as amended ("Permit").
 - 25. Parallel to DFW's investigation, the Water Board also investigated Defendants

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for discharging leachate-laden stormwater into Stream 1 and Stream 2 in violation of the Permit.

- 26. The Water Board issued Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R2-2019-0014 on April 10, 2019 (subsequently amended on August 27, 2019), which required Defendants to take a number of actions to prevent leachate discharge and to come into compliance with the Permit.
- 27. On January 24, 2023, the Water Board and Defendants entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation for Entry of Administrative Civil Liability Order, Order No. R2-2022-1018, pursuant to which, Defendants agreed to pay an administrative fine of \$619,400 for violations of the Permit.

Napa County LEA Investigation

- 28. The Napa County Department of Planning, Building, and Environmental Services is a Local Enforcement Agency ("LEA"), and, as such, is responsible for enforcing the solid waste handling and disposal requirements of Public Resources Code sections 43200, et seq.
 - 29. Defendants have a permit from the LEA to operate Clover Flat landfill.
- 30. The LEA conducted site inspections of the landfill on March 26 and March 28, 2019, and observed several violations related to the release of leachate into Stream 1 and Stream 2.
- 31. As part of the LEA's enforcement action entitled In the Matter of: Clover Flat Resource Recovery Park Site No. 28-AA-0002, the LEA and Defendants entered into the Stipulated Second Amended Notice and Order No. EA-2019-01-A2 on October 18, 2019, which, among other things, imposed on Defendants civil penalties and investigative costs in the amount of \$107,020.30.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

VIOLATIONS OF FISH & GAME CODE SECTION 5650 (DISCHARGE OF PROHIBITED MATERIALS INTO THE WATERS OF THIS STATE) (AS TO ALL DEFENDANTS)

business practices and/or activities, including, but not limited to, the following acts or practices within Napa County:

- A. Defendants violated Fish and Game Code section 5650 as more particularly described in the First Cause of Action of this complaint.
- B. Defendants violated Fish and Game Code section 1602 as more particularly described in the Second Cause of Action of this complaint.
- C. Defendants violated Fish and Game Code section 5652(a) by depositing, permitting to pass into, or placing where it could pass into the waters of the State of California, refuse, waste, and/or debris.

DEMAND

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment as follows:

- 1. Defendants be permanently enjoined from directly or indirectly engaging in actions in violation of Fish and Game Code sections 1602, 5650, and 5652, and Business and Professions Code section 17200.
- 2. Pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 5650.1, the Court assess a civil penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) against Defendants for each violation of Fish and Game Code section 5650, as well as a civil penalty of ten dollars (\$10) per gallon for each gallon of deleterious material discharged, in an amount to be proven at trial.
- 3. Pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1615, the Court assess a civil penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) against Defendants for each violation of Fish and Game Code section 1602, in an amount to be proven at trial.
- 4. Pursuant to Business and Profession Code section 17206, the Court assess a civil penalty of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) against Defendants for each violation of Business and Professions Code section 17200, in an amount to be proven at trial.
- 5. Defendants be ordered to pay the costs of restoring Clover Flat Landfill, including Stream 1 and Stream 2, as well as the cost of any other environmental restoration that DFW deems necessary, in an amount to be proven at trial.
 - 6. That Plaintiff recover costs of suit herein.
- 7. That Plaintiff have whatever and further relief as this Court deems equitable and just.

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8	COUNTY OF NAPA		
9	COUNTY OF WALA		
10	THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,) Case No. 25CV001855		
11	Plaintiff,) - PROPOSED -) FINAL JUDGMENT		
12	v. PURSUANT TO STIPULATION		
13	VISTA CORPORATION AND CLOVER FLAT) LAND FILL INC.,)		
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15	Defendants)		
16	Plaintiff, the People of the State of California ("the People"), appears through its		
17	attorneys, Allison Haley, District Attorney for the County of Napa, by Patrick Collins, Deputy		
18	District Attorney. Defendants Vista Corporation and Clover Flat Land Fill Inc. (collectively,		
19	"Defendants"), appear through their counsel, John Perkey, Esq.		
20	The People and Defendants, having stipulated to the entry of this Final Judgment and		
21	permanent injunction prior to the taking of any proof, without trial or adjudication of any issue		
22	of fact or law, without any admission or denial of liability or fault by Defendants, without the		
23	entry of this Stipulated Judgment limiting any right, claim, remedy, or defense by Defendants		
24	or non-parties in any action or proceeding involving a non-party to this action, and the Court		
25	having considered the pleadings,		
26	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:		
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1	1. This action is brought under California law, and this Court has jurisdiction of the
2	subject matter hereof and the parties hereto.
3	APPLICABILITY
4	2. This Final Judgment is applicable to Defendants, including their managers,
5	members, servants, employees, representatives, agents, successors, assignees, and all persons,
6	partnerships, limited liability companies, corporations, subsidiaries, and other entities while
7	actively engaged in the management, direction or control of the affairs of the corporate
8	Defendant, or while acting within the scope and course of their duties.
9	DEFINITIONS
10	3. The following definitions apply:
11	a. "THE PROPERTY" means the land, landfill, and buildings located at 4380
12	Silverado Trail N, Calistoga, California 94515, also known as 4380 Clover
13	Flat Road, Calistoga, California 94515, Assessor's Parcel Number 020-120-
14	020-000.
15	b. "LEACHATE" means liquid containing soluble dissolved or suspended
16	materials that is generated as a result of rainwater and moisture percolating
17	through the waste in a landfill.
18	c. "CONTAMINATED STORMWATER" means acidic stormwater or
19	stormwater that comes into contact with LEACHATE.
20	d. "STREAM 1" means the intermittent stream, a tributary of the Napa River,
21	running adjacent to the eastern side of the PROPERTY.
22	e. "STREAM 2" means the upper western fork of STREAM 1.
23	f. "POLLUTANT" means any substance or material deleterious to fish, plant
24	life, mammals, or bird life, including LEACHATE, CONTAMINATED
25	STORMWATER, or sediment.
26	g. "PROJECT" means the 4.24-acre restoration project on the PROPERTY as
27	described in the Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-NAP-52697-
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R3, dated September 8, 2025 ("SAA") issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife ("CDFW") and the Notice of Applicability for Enrollment of the Clover Flat Resource Recovery Park under the Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification and Waste Discharge Requirements for Restoration Projects Statewide (Order No. 2022-0048-DWQ), Napa County, issued by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board on June 4, 2025.

INJUNCTION

- 4. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 17203 and 17204, and Fish and Game Code sections 5650.1 and 1615, Defendants are permanently enjoined and restrained from directly or indirectly engaging in any or all of the following acts or practices:
 - a. Except as needed to complete the PROJECT, substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of, or substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of any river, stream, or lake, or depositing or disposing of debris or waste where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake in violation of Fish and Game section 1602(a).
 - b. Failing to comply with the terms of any lake or streambed alteration agreement issued by the CDFW pursuant to Fish and Game Code sections 1602 and 1603.
 - c. Except as authorized pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 5650(b), depositing in, permitting to pass into, or placing where it can pass into the waters of the State, including STREAM 1 and STREAM 2, any substance or material deleterious to fish, plant life, mammals, or bird life, in violation of Fish and Game Code section 5650.
 - d. Causing, allowing, or failing to prevent any discharge, release, or runoff of any POLLUTANT into waters of the State, including STREAM 1 and STREAM 2.

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- e. Failing to provide notification as required to the CDFW of any emergency work done by or at the direction of Defendants within the bed, bank, or channel of STREAM 1 or STREAM 2 in accordance with Fish and Game Code section 1610.
- f. Failing to provide notification as required to CDFW, of any actual, anticipated, or threatened discharge of a POLLUTANT to the waters of the State, including STREAM 1 and STREAM 2.
- g. Failing to maintain sufficient LEACHATE storage and stormwater storage to ensure that LEACHATE and CONTAMINATED STORMWATER is contained in a manner that does result in any discharge, release, or runoff of any such water into the waters of the State, including STREAM 1 and STREAM 2.

COMPLIANCE TRAINING

- 5. Defendants shall be and are hereby ordered and mandated, pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 17203 and 17204, and Fish and Game Code sections 5650.1 and 1615, to do all of the following:
 - a. Ensure that semi-annual training in POLLUTANT management and containment, and facility maintenance is provided to each of its employees, representatives, and/or agents who generate, store, or manage LEACHATE, stormwater, or CONTAMINATED STORMWATER, and to their supervisors, on each provision listed in Paragraph 4, in addition to any other training required by law or by this Final Judgment.
 - b. Maintain documentation of the training in subparagraph 5(a) and make it available to Plaintiff upon request. Copies may be maintained electronically. Training documentation shall include, at minimum, the following information: date of training, name of trainer, names of trainees, training topics and/or agenda, and training materials provided to the trainees.

6. **Costs.** On or before the filing of this Judgment, Defendants, jointly and severally, shall pay to Plaintiff, as and for costs of investigation, the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars (\$64,462), by check made payable to the Napa County Treasurer. Said costs shall be distributed to the below listed entities as follows:

CDFW
\$61,462

Napa County District Attorney's Office

\$ 3,000

- 7. **Compensatory Mitigation.** To compensate for the temporary and permanent injuries to natural resources described in the CDFW's Natural Resource Damage Assessment dated May 15, 2020 ("NRDA"), Defendants shall:
 - a. Within two (2) years after service of Notice of Entry of this Final
 Judgment upon Defendants, complete construction of the PROJECT;
 - b. Defendants shall submit a draft deed restriction within thirty (30) days of service of Notice of Entry of this Final Judgment to establish restrictions to protect in perpetuity the PROJECT's 4.24-acre restoration area.

 Defendants shall provide the draft deed restriction to counsel for the People at the address specified in paragraph 9(a). Defendants shall submit a copy of the recorded deed restriction within sixty (60) days of receiving written acceptance by CDFW and the other agencies listed in the deed restriction as having enforcement rights: Napa County and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board. Defendants shall provide a copy of the recorded deed restriction to counsel for the People at the address specified in paragraph 9(a);
 - c. Provide funding in the amount of One Million Five Hundred and Fifty

 Thousand Dollars (\$1,550,000) to the Napa County Flood Control and

 Water Conservation District's ("District") for restoration of the

 Construction Group B acreage of the District's Bale Slough-Bear Creek

Tributary Restoration Project in the unincorporated town of Rutherford in accordance with a written funding agreement between the District and Defendants subject to CDFW's approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld; and

- d. Provide funding in the amount of Nine Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$954,000) to the Napa County Resource Conservation District ("RCD") to be used by the RCD to offset the costs of planning and permitting the Huichica Creek Restoration Project in Napa County in accordance with a written funding agreement between the RCD and Defendants subject to CDFW's approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- e. Provide funding in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) to the RCD to be used by the RCD to offset the cost of planning, permitting, or implementing either the Huichica Creek Restoration Project or the Suscol Creek Restoration Project in Napa County at the RCD's discretion. Payment shall be in accordance with a written funding agreement between the RCD and Defendants subject to CDFW's approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 8. **Civil Penalties.** Defendants, jointly and severally, are hereby ordered to pay civil penalties in the total amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) which shall be due and payable as follows:
 - a. Defendants shall pay, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 5650.1, a civil penalty of Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) by check made payable to the Napa County Treasurer.
 - b. Defendants shall pay, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 17206, a civil penalty of Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) by check made payable to the Napa County Treasurer.

The remainder of the civil penalty, in the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000), shall be stayed unless the Parties agree, or the Court finds by a preponderance of the evidence, that Defendants, or either of them, failed to fully comply with any of the provisions of paragraphs 4 and/or 5 of this Judgment. Upon such finding or agreement, the stayed civil penalty, along with any other sum the Court may award for the violation, shall become immediately due and payable in full and this total sum shall accrue interest, from the date of the Court's ruling that a violation occurred, at a rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, until paid in full.

- 9. **Delivery of Settlement Funds.** All settlement funds in paragraphs 6 and 8, above, shall be due after this Final Judgment has been signed by the Court and Notice of Entry of Final Judgment served upon Defendants or Defendants' counsel of record (which Defendants' counsel agrees it will accept via email at the following email: john.perkey@wasteconnections.com), as specified below. The payments of compensatory mitigation provided in subparagraphs (c) (e) of paragraph 7 shall be paid in accordance with the timelines identified below.
 - a. The settlement funds in paragraphs 6 and 8 shall be in the form of checks made payable as described above and delivered to Patrick Collins of the Napa County District Attorney's Office, 1127 First Street, Suite C, Napa, California 94559 within ten (10) business days after this Final Judgment has been signed by the Court and served upon Defendants or Defendants' counsel of record.
 - b. The compensatory mitigation funds in paragraph 7(c) shall be in the form of a check made payable to "Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District" and delivered by Defendants to the District within the time specified, and addressed to the District's representative identified, in the funding agreement described in paragraph 7(c).
 - c. The compensatory mitigation funds in paragraph 7(d) shall be in the form of a check made payable to "Napa County Resource Conservation District" and

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delivered by Defendants to RCD within the time specified, and addressed to the RCD representative identified, in the funding agreement described in paragraph 7(d).

- d. The compensatory mitigation funds in paragraph 7(e) shall be in the form of a check made payable to "Napa County Resource Conservation District" and delivered by Defendants to RCD within the time specified, and addressed to the RCD representative identified, in the funding agreement described in paragraph 7(e).
- e. Defendants shall provide a copy of the fully executed funding agreements described in paragraphs 7(c), 7(d), and 7(e), to counsel for the People at the address specified in paragraph 9(a) within five (5) business days of execution of each agreement.
- f. Defendants shall provide a copy of the checks described in paragraphs 9(b), 9(c), and 9(d) to counsel for the People at the address specified in paragraph 9(a) within five (5) business days of the delivery of each check.
- 10. Defendants shall bear their own attorney's fees and costs.

RETENTION OF JURISDICTION

- 11. Jurisdiction is retained for the purpose of enabling any party to this Judgment to apply to the Court at any time for such further orders and directions as may be necessary and appropriate for the construction and carrying out of this Judgment, for the modification of any of the injunctive provisions of this Judgment, and for the enforcement of, compliance with, and for the punishment of violations of this Judgment.
- 12. The failure of the People to enforce any provision of this Final Judgment shall neither be deemed a waiver of such provision nor shall it in any way affect the validity of this Final Judgment. The failure of the People to enforce any provision shall not preclude it from later enforcing the same or other provisions of this Final judgment.
 - 13. The clerk is ordered to immediately enter this Judgment, and this Judgment shall

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1	take effect immediately upon entry thereof.
2	14. This Final Judgment is a final and binding resolution and settlement of all
3	claims, violations, and causes of action alleged by the People in the Complaint, during the time
4	period alleged in the Complaint through the date of entry of this Final Judgment.
5	TERMINATION
6	15. At any time after this Final Judgment has been in effect for five (5) years, and
7	Defendants have paid and expended all amounts required under the Final Judgment,
8	Defendants may move to terminate the injunctive provisions in Paragraph 5 pursuant to Code
9	of Civil Procedure section 533 or as otherwise allowed. After this Final Judgment has been in
10	effect for seven (7) years, and Defendants have paid and expended all amounts required under
11	the Final Judgment, the injunctive provisions in Paragraph 5 shall terminate automatically.
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From: Geoff Ellsworth

To: <u>Griffis, Amanda; Lederer, Steven; Ramirez, Alice</u>

Cc: <u>Jacob Sandoval</u>; <u>Paul Bocanegra</u>

Subject: Public Comment - UVWMA - Waste Worker impacts/\$6.6 Million Dollar District Attorney fine/settlement on

UVDS/Clover Flat/Ca. LULAC Request

Date: Monday, October 20, 2025 12:59:08 PM

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Good Afternoon Upper Valley Waste Management Agency -

Please Distribute to Board and Staff,

I ask that you verbally acknowledge this public comment for the record at today's meeting.

I also ask that for the record you will verbally recognize today the recent \$6.6 million dollar fine/settlement between the Napa County DA and Upper Valley Disposal Service for large scale contamination incidents related to UVDS/Clover Flat Landfill in 2018/2019. I hope you will consider that the impacts to the waste workers in that situation have not been accounted for, nor in numerous situations since, including the Glass Fire burning of Clover Flat Landfill in 2020, where environmental issues have also yet to be considered.

ALSO I hope you will verbally acknowledge for the record the Ca. LULAC REQUEST also submitted to you today for an agendized time for a presentation to the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency on the concerns regarding waste worker fatalities/impacts, environmental impacts and the deficiencies highlighted in the recent CalOSHA audit and hearing.

Best, Geoff Ellsworth

Geoff Ellsworth

Committee Member CA LULAC Waste Workers Advocacy Committee 323-691-9621



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From: <u>Jacob Sandoval</u>

To: <u>Griffis, Amanda</u>; <u>Lederer, Steven</u>; <u>Ramirez, Alice</u>; <u>Cottrell, Anne</u>

Cc: Alyssa Mireles; Nathan Castillo; Geoff Ellsworth

Subject: Public comment - Napa County UVWMA - Request for presentation time on Waste worker fatalities/impacts and

waste site public safety/environmental impacts

Date: Monday, October 20, 2025 12:21:25 PM

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Resolution in Support Latino Waste Workers (1).pdf

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Good morning board members,

The California League of United Latin American Citizens (CA LULAC), part of the nation's oldest and largest Latino civil rights organization, works to advance the economic, educational, health, and environmental well-being of Latino communities across the state. CA LULAC advocates for policies that uphold environmental justice and workplace safety, especially for Latino and immigrant workers who are disproportionately represented in hazardous industries, including waste management, recycling, and emergency cleanup operations. This request is made with the full support of the California LULAC and National LULAC, which has formally endorsed this action through the attached National LULAC Resolution of Support.

Attachment: National LULAC Resolution of Support

Purpose of Request

This is a Request for an agendized time of 10-15 minutes for a presentation to the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency on the NEXUS between:

- -California Latino Waste Worker fatalities/injuries/ impacts and associated Civil Rights complaints and environmental/water quality impacts, including related to Upper Valley Disposal Service/Clover Flat Landfill
- -The recent Ca. Assembly/Senate Joint Audit and Hearing related to significant deficiencies/problems at Cal OSHA (see below)
- -Waste site toxic exposures/ fire incidents impacting Ca. water resources, local environment and public safety relevant to Cal EPA, CalFire and local agencies.

The presentation will include considerations of impacts of toxic wildfire waste entering waste sites under emergency waivers.

This is a request for a 10 - 15 minute agenda item at the soonest available time.

I am included below the recent Ca. Assembly and Senate Cal OSHA Audit and Aug. 27 Hearing demonstrating grave failings in the Cal OSHA Process. The hearing starts at minute 46 of the recording.

Below is the Joint Audit Committee Hearing on the recent Cal OSHA audit, as well as a link to the audit itself and a summary.

(Waste Worker fatalities in Brisbane, San Leandro and Napa County have all occurred in the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board).

The Waste Worker Impact aspects of this situation have some additional considerations as many of the waste companies (including those where fatalities are occurring) operate off of direct government contracts, and the stakes/dangers are elevated for both workers and the communities where these companies operate as the materials they handle can be highly toxic and prone to fire/explosion.

CAL OSHA AUDIT HEARING LINK

Starts at minute 46:30

https://www.assembly.ca.gov/media/joint-hearing-joint-legislative-audit-committee-and-assembly-labor-and-employment-committee-and-senate-labor-public-employment-and-retirement-committee-20250827

2025 CAL OSHA AUDIT

https://www.auditor.ca.gov/reports/2024-115/

Summary of the 2025 State Auditor's Report on Cal/OSHA (Report 2024-115)

The California State Auditor's July 2025 report found that Cal/OSHA's deficiencies in inspections, enforcement, and staffing compromise the safety of California's nearly 20 million workers.

Key Findings:

1. Failure to Inspect Some Complaints and Accidents

Cal/OSHA did not conduct on-site inspections for 9 of 30 worker complaints without valid justification. Even in cases where policy was followed, inspections might have offered better protection. In 6 of 7 uninspected accident cases, the agency failed to document why inspections weren't needed, including incidents involving serious injuries.

2. Weaknesses in Conducted Inspections

Inspections that were conducted often lacked adequate documentation. Employer safety programs (IIPPs) were poorly recorded, worker interview notes were incomplete or illegible, and some inspections missed legal deadlines by weeks or months. Several case files lacked sufficient evidence to support cited violations or confirm hazard abatement.

3. Problems with Enforcement and Fines

In 5 of 11 inspected complaints, Cal/OSHA did not verify that hazards were fully corrected. Fines were sometimes reduced without proper justification, and in at least one fatality case, penalties could have been nearly double. The Bureau of Investigations also failed to refer potentially prosecutable cases and did not consistently review serious non-fatal accidents.

4. Severe Staffing Shortages

A 32% vacancy rate in FY 2023–24 exceeding 40% in some enforcement units significantly limited Cal/OSHA's ability to perform timely, thorough inspections. Paper-based case files and outdated policies further undermined effectiveness and

consistency.

5. Key Recommendations

The audit recommended that Cal/OSHA strengthen documentation requirements, increase staffing and training, standardize evidence procedures, digitize its case management system by 2027, launch an online complaint portal by January 2027, expand proactive inspections in high-risk industries, and update internal policies every three years.

6. Supporting Data

Only 17% of valid complaints received on-site inspections in FY 2023–24. Vacancy-related budget savings totaled more than \$85 million between 2019 and 2024, with no clear reinvestment plan. Cal/OSHA's proactive inspections made up just 22% of total inspections well below the national average of 42%.

7. Agency Response

The Department of Industrial Relations agreed with all recommendations, noting improvements in staffing (with vacancies reduced to 12% by May 2025), ongoing development of a digital case management system and online complaint portal, and acknowledgment that outdated policies and manual processes have long limited performance.

Thank you,

Jacob Sandoval

State Director, CA LULAC Board Member, CA LULAC Foundation Board Member, National LULAC 831-809-3503

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League of United Latin American Citizens

Resolution In Support of Latino Waste Workers and Response to Fatalities and Workplace Hazards in the Waste Management Sector

WHEREAS the CA LULAC Napa Valley Waste Workers Advocacy Committee was formed to support Latino workers at Clover Flat Landfill/Upper Valley Disposal Service in Napa County, California, who have been exposed to hazardous working conditions including exposure to fires and unregulated radioactive material, and to seek justice following a Latino worker fatality at Upper Valley Disposal Service; and

WHEREAS Napa County is one of nine counties in the San Francisco Bay Area of northern California, a region that has seen numerous recent workplace fatalities of Latino workers in the waste and recycling sector, as well countless Latino worker fatalities in other sectors, highlighting a regional crisis; and

WHEREAS these repeated fatalities and unsafe working conditions represent not only an immediate danger to Latino workers, their families and communities, but also indicate a broader pattern of systemic neglect, lack of oversight, and racial and economic inequities in the workplace; and

WHEREAS unsafe conditions for waste and landfill workers, especially those who are Latino and often immigrant, also pose broader environmental and public health risks to surrounding communities due to the mishandling of toxic waste, under-reported fires and large-scale contamination incidents, and inadequate worker protection protocols; and

WHEREAS the lives of essential waste workers—who provide critical services that ensure the health and safety of our communities—must be protected through stronger labor enforcement, regulatory accountability, and culturally and linguistically appropriate workplace standards;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. **LULAC National** recognizes the hazardous conditions facing Latino waste workers in the San Francisco Bay Area and Latino workers in the Northern California region as an urgent racial, environmental, and labor justice crisis.
- 2. **LULAC supports** the efforts of the CA LULAC Napa Valley Waste Workers Advocacy Committee and local LULAC councils to pursue justice for the deceased worker at Upper Valley Disposal Service and the deceased Latino workers from other waste companies and sectors and to advocate for comprehensive safety reforms.
- 3. **LULAC calls upon** local, state, and federal regulatory agencies—including Cal/OSHA, the Office of the California Labor Commission, the California Environmental Protection Agency, and the U.S. Department of Labor—to conduct independent investigations and hearings into workplace safety, wage theft, and discriminatory practices in the waste and recycling sector, with special attention to the treatment of Latino and immigrant workers.

- 4. **LULAC urges** the creation of culturally competent safety standards, multilingual worker training, and whistleblower protections for all waste workers, particularly those in underregulated facilities such as landfills and transfer stations.
- 5. **LULAC demands** the expansion of funding for worker-led monitoring, community oversight, and rapid-response systems to ensure accountability and prevent further worker deaths.
- LULAC affirms that environmental justice must include workplace justice, and that protecting
 waste workers and workers in all sectors from preventable harm is essential to the safety and
 sustainability of all communities.

SUBMITTED BY: Sacramento Lorenzo Patiño LULAC Council 2862, Maria Guiterrez, President

Voted and approved by the National Assembly of the 2025 LULAC National Convention August 9, 2025

Roman Palomares
LULAC National President



Napa County

Board Agenda Letter

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Agenda Date: 12/15/2025

Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2053

TO: **Board of Directors**

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

REPORT BY: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

SUBJECT: Reports from Jurisdictions

RECOMMENDATION

REPORTS FROM JURISDICTIONS

DISCUSSION ITEM: Reports by the member jurisdictions of current information relevant to the Agency:

Napa County

Calistoga

St. Helena

Yountville

BACKGROUND

None

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.



Napa County

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Upper Valley Waste Management Agency (UVWMA)

File ID #: 25-2054

TO: **Board of Directors**

FROM: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

REPORT BY: Steven Lederer - Manager, UVWMA

SUBJECT: Future Agenda Items

RECOMMENDATION

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

DISCUSSION ITEM: Discussion of any items Board members wish to have addressed at a future meeting date.

BACKGROUND

Future meetings will address the Board's fiscal reserve policy, and the Agency's Grant program.

No

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

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ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.