



County of Santa Cruz

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ADVISORY COMMISSION

701 OCEAN STREET, SUITE 312, SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060-4073

(831) 454-2022 FAX: (831) 454-3128

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ADVISORY COMMISSION Meeting Minutes – July 27, 2016 9 a.m.

Location: Central Fire District Headquarters - 930 17th Ave., Santa Cruz, California

I. Roll Call/Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Bennett at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Avila; Bennett; Bracamonte; Frawley; Logan; Whittle
Guests: Paul Binding & Amanda Poulsen – SC County Mosquito Abatement Program
Becky Steinbruner, public member
Absent: Bertrand; Young
Staff: Tim Fillmore

II. Additions or Deletions to Agenda: None

III. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 23, 2016 meeting were approved as submitted.

Motion: Bracamonte
Second: Logan
Ayes: Avila; Bennett; Bracamonte; Frawley; Logan; Whittle
No's: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Bertrand; Young

IV. Guest Speakers; Paul Binding & Amanda Poulsen from the SC County Mosquito Abatement & Vector Control Division provided information and answered questions about mosquito-borne diseases such as Zika virus and West Nile virus. They noted that while their program treats large ponds and other public area mosquito breeding sources, some invasive mosquito species, such as *Aedes aegypti* that can transmit Zika, breed in small back yard standing water sources such as old tires, planter pots and rain barrels. Their program is providing outreach information to the public to educate people on the importance of removing all breeding sources in back yard areas to prevent populations of these invasive species from becoming established locally.

V. Public Oral Communications: Ms. Steinbruner addressed the Commission about a recent incident where an underground fuel tank was discovered by a contractor during development of the Aptos Village Project. The tank was removed and transported offsite for disposal without required permits or oversight from EHS. Staff briefed the Commission about the incident and EHS follow-up actions taken to ensure environmental concerns were adequately addressed at the site.

VI. EHS Staff Report (Fillmore):

- Electronic reporting is fully implemented in SCC with ongoing assistance for businesses to complete required annual submittal updates. All inspectors are trained and are conducting electronic field inspections with Lenovo tablet computers and all required inspection and enforcement data is being transmitted to CERS from our local system

- With full implementation of CERS and the availability of electronic data, the CUPA evaluation process has been revised and streamlined in that the program evaluation will be conducted remotely by the evaluation team. State agency staff will continue to evaluate the local inspection program by observing several onsite inspections by our inspectors. SCC CUPA is due for our next triennial evaluation during May 2017. Past evaluations for all CUPAs are available online on the Cal EPA Unified Program website.
- Pending legislation AB 1776 was briefly reviewed. This bill would impact local outdoor shooting ranges in that it would exclude from the definition of the term “disposal” the onsite movement of soil at an active outdoor sport shooting range if it is done to facilitate removal and recycling of spent ammunition as long as it is consistent with USEPA best management practices and the residual soil is replaced within the area from which it was originally removed.

VII. Correspondence/Announcements:

- A recent written request by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors for updated Commission information was completed by staff.

VIII. Continuing Issues

- Three Commission vacancies remain for the positions representing Industry, Labor, and Chemistry.

IX. **Call for Topics:** recommended topics for future meetings were suggested. Staff will request an update about the local Household Hazardous Waste program for the September meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 a.m. by Chairperson Bennett.

Next meeting set for September 28, 2016 – Central Fire District Headquarters