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**MINUTES OF SWANA CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE
TASK FORCE ANNUAL WORKSHOP MEETING
November 5 and 6, 2010 – Sacramento, California
By: Mark Urquhart, Secretary**

The Legislative Task Force (LTF) annual meeting took place in Sacramento on November 5 and 6, 2010. It started at about 9:00 AM on November 5, 2010. A quorum was present as there were 12 voting members present and at least one voting member from each chapter. The agenda is Attachment A. A list of the attendees is on the sign-up sheet in Attachment B. The items from the agenda below were not all discussed in the order listed.

DAY 1 – NOVEMBER 5, 2010

BUSINESS ITEMS AND LTF ACTIVITIES

Approval of Minutes from October 7, 2010 LTF Telephone Meeting:

William Merry asked for comments on these minutes. There were no comments.

Motion:

A motion was made by Mike Mohajer and seconded by John Gullede to approve the minutes from the October 7, 2010 meeting. The motion carried, as all were in favor.

Approval of Treasurer's Report and 2011 Draft Budget

Nancy Ewert passed out a draft budget for 2011 and an October 2010 treasurer's report. (Attachments C and D, respectively). The October Treasurer's report shows a fund balance of \$69,059.69 with a projected carryover to 2011 of \$59,009.17.

The draft budget was discussed. Nancy Ewert noted her proposed draft budget included consideration that revenues are down and therefore some cuts were made compared to previous budgets. Given that revenues are down the budget of \$67,424.17 in 2010 has been reduced to \$57,440 with a projected carryover of \$39,080. Much of that reduction is from not having the previously budgeted regulatory consulting planned with John Abernethy, which was dropped.

There was some discussion of amendments to the draft budget that included increasing the website support from \$500.00 to \$1,000; and maintaining the contingency expenses at \$4,000 compared to the draft proposal of \$500. It was noted that this would reduce the carryover accordingly.

Motion:

A motion was made by Mike Mohajer and seconded by John Gullede to approve the treasurer's report from the October and the proposed draft budget with the amendments above to increase the website and contingency amounts. It was discussed that Paul Yoder and/or Tressa Wallace would look in to website enhancements with Bill Pitt noting that he provides very reasonable website management fees. The motion carried, as all were in favor.

2011 Western Regional Symposium

The 2010 Western Regional Symposium will be held in Seaside, May 16-19, 2011. There was discussion about possible panel or break-out sessions to talk about the issues facing the industry regarding Proposition 26, AB 32, and major new bills that are expected in 2011.

2011 Meeting Schedule

The 2011 proposed meeting schedule is in Attachment E. Phone meetings will generally be monthly and continue to be held on the first Thursday from 10 AM to noon. The next meeting date will be a conference call on February 3, 2011. It was discussed that the meeting in March will be a personal meeting in Sacramento; and Senator Alex Padilla was discussed as a possible guest speaker.

Discussion of Proposed Officers for 2011

William Merry discussed that according to the LTF MOU, the election of officers is formally taken up during the first LTF meeting after February 1 of the given year. According to the MOU the task force members are appointed by chapter Presidents by January 1. The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson are then elected by the LTF in the first LTF meeting after February 1. The Chairperson then appoints the treasurer and secretary at the same first meeting of the LTF after February 1, which is then ratified by the LTF.

Motion:

A motion was made by Mike Mohajer and seconded by John Gullede to make a recommendation to the LTF for 2011 that the LTF retain William Merry (current Chair) and Lisa Wood (current Vice-Chair) in their current positions and that Mark Urquhart and Nancy Ewert continue as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. The motion carried, as all were in favor.

REVIEW OF 2010 LEGISLATION

Paul Yoder reviewed a Powerpoint presentation regarding the outcome and status of legislation for 2010.

He also discussed the results of the election in terms of possible impacts on solid waste legislation in 2011. He noted in general that with a Democratic Governor and majority Democratic houses that it is likely that there will be more legislation and that that sponsoring members may be less likely to negotiate positions with the LTF. He did indicate that as a practical matter the Senate might be more “conservative” in a fiscal sense and therefore stopping or mending bad bills might be more likely in the Senate.

Given that Proposition 25 will be require the budget by June 15 it is possible that there may be more bills promulgated that in the past few years given more time to legislate after the budget is resolved. It was discussed that a diversion bill will likely come back in 2011. Proposition 26 was discussed and generally speaking there is a lot of uncertainty regarding how it will apply to various fee increases including solid waste.

Discussion with CalRecycle

Howard Levinson and Cara Morgan discussed CalRecycle (CR) topics in general, not just limited to AB 32. These discussions included:

- There has been a realignment in CR staff given budget reductions in some areas
- There will be new regulations promulgated in response to Extended Producer Responsibility
- Proposition 26 may affect how CR imposes fees, that is not clear yet
- Commercial Recycling mandated by CARB AB 32 regulations will be overseen by CR
- Howard Levinson noted that the Jurisdiction Review Tool had some erroneous newsletter circulation recalled by CR and he said that the focus will be on whether a jurisdiction is doing what it said in it AB 939 plans and if not what is the basis for it claiming a “good faith effort”. He said there were 5

compliance order issued out of about 350 rulings and greater than 50 were granted “good faith effort” compliance

- There has been grant funding for anaerobic digestion studies; and a program EIR being completed covering that other issues involving regulation of food waste

2010 WORKPLAN AND PRIORITIES

It was discussed that the priorities generally remain the same as the 2010 workplan and some members would not be present for Day 2, therefore the bulk of the discussions regarding workplan priority items would be undertaken on Day 1, and updating the text of the workplan would happen both days.

General strategies discussed included focusing the LTF input to legislators and regulators on the practical aspects of issues given the economy. It was discussed that outreach could be added this coming year to include the Solid Waste Industry group regarding air quality issues (SWIC), CAPCOA, and CARB (through some connections that LASAN already has with CARB)

ADJOURNMENT – DAY 1

The meeting was adjourned about 5:00 PM.

DAY 2 – NOVEMBER 6, 2010

2010 WORKPLAN

Saturday discussions involved editing and updating the working of the workplan. The revised draft workplan is included in Attachment F.

During the discussions it was decided that the LTF should ask the Chapters for approval to draft a position paper on the “diversion” issue. Given the LTF feels that there will be legislation introduced again in 2011 raising the diversion mandate; should the LTF be proactive on the issue? Specifically the LTF would like to draft a position paper that discusses issues regarding raising the diversion mandate in California, if and how that should be done. It would discuss the technical, economic and practical issues surrounding that. It is felt that a diversion bill will surface and being out in front with an issue paper will be helpful. This proactive approach may be needed given that previous draft legislation has posed concerns.

Discussions on Saturday included that the LTF needs to try to assess the impacts of Proposition 26 on fee capability of solid waste agencies and have this issues discussed at the WRS including possible involvement or presentations from other entities such as the League of California Cities, Chamber of Commerce, Attorneys Group with CASA, and/or possibly other attorneys.

ADJOURNMENT – DAY 2

The meeting adjourned at about 11:00 AM.

2010 SWANA ANNUAL WORKSHOP AGENDA
Sheraton Grand, Sacramento

Friday, November 5th – Bondi Room

- 8:00 am – 9:00 am** Breakfast / Settling in
- 9:00 am – 9:45 am** Regular Legislative Task Force Business
- Welcome & Introductions
 - Approval of Minutes (Attachment sent prior to workshop)
 - Approval of Treasurer’s Report (available at workshop)
 - Proposed 2011 Budget (available at workshop)
 - 2011 Western Regional Symposium
 - 2011 Meeting Schedule (attachment sent prior to meeting)
 - Other
- 9:45 am – 10:00 am** Break
- 10:00 am – 11:00 am** AB 32 Discussion with CalRecycle
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm** Review of 2010 Legislation and Regulations
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm** Lunch – **Bondi Room**
- 1:00 pm – 3:15 pm** Identify Priorities / Discuss plans for 2011
- 3:15 pm – 3:30 pm** Break
- 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm** Prioritization of Issues / 2011 Work Plan
- 6:15 pm** Dinner Departure
- 7:00 pm** **Dinner**
Lucca’s Restaurant
1615 J Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
916-669-5300

SATURDAY, November 6th – Bondi Room

- 8:30 am – 9:00 am** Breakfast
- 9:00 am – 10:15 am** Finalize 2011 Work Plan
- 10:15 am – 10:30 am** Break
- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm** Open for questions/remaining issues
- 12:00 pm** Adjournment

ATTENDANCE LIST
SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ANNUAL WORKSHOP MEETING
NOVEMBER 5-6, 2010 – Sacramento, CA

LTF workshop 11/5/10

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SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE - 2010 BUDGET
October 2010 Treasurer's Report

BEGINNING ACCOUNT BALANCE - 1/1/2010	\$ 67,424.17		
Release from Reserves	\$ 14,915.00		
Starting Cash Balance	\$ 52,509.17		
REVENUES			
	Annual	Monthly	YTD
DUES SURCHARGE (\$30 / MEMBER)	\$ 25,000.00		
Jan Dues		\$1,140.00	
Feb Dues		\$1,830.00	
Mar Dues		\$1,380.00	
Apr Dues		\$1,590.00	
May Dues		\$3,300.00	
June Dues		\$660.00	
July Dues		\$2,160.00	
Aug Dues	Deposit 9/8	\$2,040.00	
Sept Dues	Deposit 9/22	\$1,950.00	
Oct Dues		\$1,920.00	
Nov Dues			
Dec Dues			\$17,970.00
WESTERN REGIONAL SYMPOSIUM	\$ 7,500.00		
		\$7,938.32	\$7,938.32
MOLO COURSE REVENUES	\$ 5,000.00		
			\$0.00
AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 15,000.00		
CH2MHill			
Kern County		\$1,500.00	
San Joaquin County			
City of Folsom		\$750.00	
Merced County		\$1,000.00	
<i>LASAN</i> — LA County		\$2,500.00	
City of Sunnyvale		\$750.00	
City of San Diego		\$2,500.00	
Monterey RWMD		\$2,000.00	
Placer County		\$1,500.00	
LA City			
Salinas IWMA		\$1,500.00	\$14,000.00
INTEREST	\$ 25.00		
Jan-10	**(-0.75)	\$1.92	
Feb-10	**(-0.69)	\$1.79	
Mar-10		\$2.84	
Apr-10		\$2.62	
May-10		\$2.36	
Jun-10		\$3.00	
Jul-10		\$2.44	
Aug-10		\$0.54	
Sep-10		\$0.54	
Oct-10		\$0.52	
Nov-10			
Dec-10			\$18.57
RELEASE FROM RESERVES	\$14,915.00		
Check Image Fee (reversed Feb-01)		\$2.00	
Interest Repayment		\$2.27	\$4.27
TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES	\$ 67,440.00		\$39,931.16

EXPENSES			
	Annual	Monthly	YTD
REGULATORY REVIEW	\$ 7,000.00		
Dec-09			
Jan-10		\$1,000.00	
Feb-10		\$1,000.00	
Mar-10		\$1,000.00	
Apr-10		\$1,000.00	
May-10		\$1,000.00	
Jun-10		\$1,000.00	
Jul-10		\$1,000.00	
Aug-10		\$1,000.00	
Sep-10			
Oct-10			
Nov-10			\$8,000.00
SHAW / YODER, INC. CONTRACT	\$ 38,940.00		
Dec-09		\$3,245.00	
Jan-10		\$3,245.00	
Feb-10		\$3,245.00	
Mar-10		\$3,245.00	
Apr-10		\$3,245.00	
May-10		\$3,245.00	
Jun-10		\$3,245.00	
Jul-10		\$3,245.00	
Aug-10		\$3,245.00	
Sep-10			
Oct-10			
Nov-10			\$29,205.00
SHAW / YODER, INC. ADMIN. EXPENSES	\$ 4,000.00		
Dec-09		\$166.65	
Jan-10		\$65.55	
Feb-10		\$45.00	
Mar-10		\$45.00	
Apr-10		\$45.00	
May-10		\$45.00	
Jun-10		\$45.00	
Jul-10		\$45.00	
Aug-10		\$45.00	
Sep-10			
Oct-10			
Nov-10			\$547.20
WEBSITE DEV/MAINTENANCE & ROSTER	\$ 2,000.00		
Dec-09		\$72.00	
Jan-10		\$0.00	
Feb-10		\$0.00	
Mar-10		\$0.00	
Apr-10		\$0.00	
May-10		\$0.00	
Jun-10		\$60.00	
Jul-10		\$0.00	
Aug-10		\$0.00	
Sep-10			
Oct-10			
Nov-10			\$132.00
MTGS/TELECONFERENCE/WORKSHOP	\$ 5,000.00		
Dec-09		\$0.00	
Jan-10		\$0.00	
Feb-10		\$0.00	
Mar-10		\$0.00	
Apr-10		\$0.00	
May-10		\$0.00	
Jun-10		\$62.47	
Jul-10		\$96.97	
Aug-10		\$0.00	
Sep-10			
Oct-10			
Nov-10			\$159.44
CONTINGENCIES / SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$ 4,000.00		
Check Image Fee (to be reversed)		\$2.00	
Gift Certificate		\$250.00	\$252.00
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$ 60,940.00		\$38,295.64
September Account Balance			\$69,059.69
PROJECTED CARRY OVER TO 2011	\$ 59,009.17		

SWANA LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE							
Draft 2011 Budget							
BEGINNING ACCOUNT BALANCE - 1/1/2011	\$ 48,000.00						
Release from Reserves	\$ 8,920.00						
Starting Cash Balance (2012)	\$ 39,080.00						
REVENUES							
	2008 Budgeted	2008 Actual	2009 Budgeted	2009 Actual	2010 Budgeted	2010 Projected	2011 Proposed
DUES SURCHARGE (\$30 / MEMBER)	\$ 25,000.00	\$23,064.00	\$25,000.00	\$22,420.00	\$25,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00
WESTERN REGIONAL SYMPOSIUM	\$ 7,500.00	\$12,681.78	\$7,500.00	\$9,262.41	\$7,500.00	\$7,938.00	\$7,500.00
MOLO COURSE REVENUES	\$ 5,000.00	\$9,871.78	\$5,000.00	\$4,622.54	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 15,000.00	\$12,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$17,900.00	\$15,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$15,000.00
INTEREST	\$ -	\$28.46	\$25.00	\$31.87	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
RELEASE FROM RESERVES	\$13,440.00	\$0.00	\$8,920.00	\$0.00	\$14,915.00	\$12,384.00	\$8,920.00
TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES	\$ 65,940.00	\$ 58,146.02	\$61,445.00	\$ 54,236.82	\$67,440.00	\$55,342.00	\$57,440.00
EXPENSES							
	2008 Budgeted	2008 Actual	2009 Budgeted	2009 Actual	2010 Budgeted	2010 Projected	2011 Proposed
REGULATORY REVIEW	\$ 12,000.00	\$5,513.43	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
SHAW / YODER, INC. CONTRACT	\$ 38,940.00	\$35,695.00	\$38,940.00	\$38,940.00	\$38,940.00	\$38,940.00	\$38,940.00
SHAW / YODER, INC. ADMIN. EXPENSES	\$ 4,000.00	\$1,635.61	\$4,000.00	\$1,296.88	\$4,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
WEBSITE DEV/MAINTENANCE & ROSTER	\$ 2,000.00	\$858.00	\$2,000.00	\$213.00	\$2,000.00	\$150.00	\$500.00
MTGS/TELECONFERENCE/WORKSHOP	\$ 5,000.00	\$3,401.33	\$5,000.00	\$6,744.64	\$6,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,500.00
CONTINGENCIES / SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$ 4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$252.00	\$500.00
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$ 65,940.00	\$47,103.37	\$60,940.00	\$47,194.52	\$67,440.00	\$55,342.00	\$57,440.00
PROJECTED CARRY OVER	\$ 35,385.87		\$51,453.44		\$67,424.17		\$39,080.00

SWANA Legislative Task Force
Tentative Meeting Schedule - 2011

1st Thursday of the Month (unless otherwise **noted**)

January 2011
No call

February 3, 2011
Conference Call

March 3, 2011
In person - Sacramento

April 7, 2011
Conference Call

May 2011
15th - 19th Western Regional Symposium - Seaside, CA

June 2, 2011
Conference Call

July 7, 2011
Conference Call

August 4, 2011
Conference Call

September 1, 2011
Conference Call

October 6, 2011
Conference Call

November 2011- Annual Workshop – Monterey?
(4th - 5th, or 18th - 19th)
In person

December 2011
No Call

SWANA CALIFORNIA CHAPTERS

LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE (LTF)

2011 WORK PLAN

At its annual workshop in November 2010 the Legislative Task Force identified the following issues as top priorities for the 2011 Work Plan:

- “Raising the Bar” Increased Diversion / Reduced Disposal
 - Local Government Budgets
 - Decline in materials market
 - Mandatory Commercial Recycling
- Extended Producer Responsibility/Product Stewardship
- Proposition 26 Implementation Issues
- Greenhouse Gas / Global Warming / AB 32 Implementation at the ARB
 - Carbon footprint
- Potential State Fee Increases and Proposed Uses Thereof
- Conversion Technologies
- Illegal Dumping
- ADC Diversion Credits / Usage and Enforcement
- Closure and Post Closure / Corrective Action
- Changes to the Bottle Bill
- Communication / relationship with regulatory agencies.

The 2011 Work Plan encompasses four major areas of effort and will guide the activities of the LTF and its Legislative Advocates during the 2011 calendar year.

Mission Statement:

To represent local government interests and the three California Chapters’ membership in developing and advocating environmentally technically sound, economical, and sustainable solid waste public policy at the most appropriate governmental level.

I. REGULATION / POLICY DEVELOPMENT

- A. **Goal:** Ensure reasonable regulations (new or revised), through active participation in the development and review process, that assure economic feasibility and appropriate protection of health, safety and the environment.
- B. **Objective:** Proactively participate in regulatory developments involving solid waste issues; review and provide comments to appropriate regulatory agencies; leverage with partner associations, local agencies, and industry in support of the LTF position on appropriate regulations.
- C. **Action items**

Monitor / Take appropriate action:

1. On the CalRecycle realignment, encourage CalRecycle to review existing programs and eliminate those that are non-essential, and curtail or delay those programs/regulations that are not directly related to the protection of public health ,

- safety and the environment.
2. On any proposed changes to the Disposal Reporting System.
 3. To promote enforcement of existing Alternative Daily Cover (ADC) regulations instead of regulations that restrict the use of ADC.
 4. To actively promote and support life cycle analysis for any new and expanded regulations to increase waste diversion mandates/programs. Oppose proposals that fail to substantiate the need for the proposed requirements without a thorough lifecycle and economic analysis. To encourage the State to consider and promote global economic and environmental impacts and promote life cycle analysis of all regulations. To emphasize the current solid waste hierarchy per AB 939 in light of industry and market changes and realistically assess the availability of current and future markets for beneficial use of solid waste materials.
 5. To update and modify Strategic Directive (SD) 6. To realistically assess the availability of current and future markets for beneficial use of solid waste materials.
 6. To support the development of conversion technology regulations promoting the development of facilities. Oppose regulations that treat these facilities as disposal facilities. Promote realistic requirements for front end recovery of recyclable materials. Support economic and environmental comparisons that are fair and objective.
 7. To support the requirement for a basic level of training of solid waste managers and inspectors. To promote joint training opportunities, and a certification program.
 8. On SWRCB efforts to revise regulations on waste discharge requirements and storm water permits. To educate policy makers on feasibility and cost of proposed requirements.
 9. On CARB and other GHG regulations including those stipulated by AB 32.
 10. On changes to energy recovery requirements for MSW including Renewable Portfolio Standards and local air district requirements.
 11. On regulations relating to solid waste management / e-waste / universal waste / medical waste / pharmaceuticals/Household Hazardous Waste.
 12. On closure / post-closure and non-water quality corrective action regulations. Oppose corrective actions that are not “reasonably foreseeable.”
 13. On proposals that incorporate Environmental Justice issues in regulations, using position papers developed by SWANA International as appropriate.
 14. On regulations related to the Bottle Bill.
 15. To oppose regulations that would weaken local government authority or cause undue financial responsibility on local governments.
 16. On regulatory developments regarding Mandatory Commercial Recycling, specifically monitoring and enforcement.
 17. On regulatory developments regarding SB1016 implementation and measurement of waste diversion programs.
 18. On implementation of the “Green” Building Code.
 19. Development of Green Chemistry Initiatives

II. LEGISLATION

- A. **Goal:** Review, comment on and influence proposed legislation addressing solid waste issues and pursue/support legislation supportive of the LTF Mission Statement. Work with various organizations to reverse the “End of the Pipe” paradigm, i.e., work towards solutions that focus much more on solid waste prevention and beneficial reuse.
- B. **Objectives:** Identify legislation of interest; provide comments to key legislators and staff on

high priority bills; leverage with partner associations, local agencies and industry support of LTF positions on priority bills; develop alerts to all SWANA members and local agencies as appropriate; develop and submit LTF letters to Governor as appropriate.

C. **Action Items:**

Monitor / Take appropriate action:

1. To oppose legislation that would allow any State agency to promulgate regulations, guidelines, procedures, directions, or policies to ban materials from landfill disposal or transformation / conversion technology facilities unless they first:
 - a. Conduct scientific studies that show a danger to public health or environment, and
 - b. Develop a plan for realistic and cost-effective ways to remove the material from the waste stream. “Don’t Ban Without a Plan.”
2. On legislation to “Raise the Bar” on diversion / disposal. To support increases in waste reduction mandates only when based on lifecycle environmental benefits, identified cost, and infrastructure capabilities. Promote the strategies that place the responsibility less on local governments and more on the manufacturing and retail sectors.
3. On changes to the Bottle Bill.
4. To support product stewardship and increased manufacturer and retail responsibility especially with respect to materials that are difficult to recycle and / or hazardous waste and / or banned from landfills. “You Make It, You Take It.”
5. To oppose legislation that would increase state fees / surcharges unless appropriate.
6. On legislation relating to e-waste / universal waste / medical / pharmaceuticals / Household Hazardous Waste.
7. To support definitions that clearly describe what is meant by “organics,” and that promote integration of conversion technologies into the solid waste hierarchy.
8. To support diversion credit for conversion technologies, and the removal of obstacles to conversion technology development. To support incentives for bioreactors and conversion technologies.
9. To oppose legislation that would prohibit the use of ADC towards waste diversion/reduction requirements.
10. To support legislation to discourage illegal dumping.
11. To oppose legislation that would weaken local government authority, especially with respect to the existing LEA system, or that would impose any additional financial responsibility on local governments unless consistent with the mission statement.
12. To support greater State efforts in market development for diverted materials. To encourage the State to consider global economic, human health and environmental impacts and promote life cycle analysis of all regulations. To emphasize the current solid waste hierarchy.
13. To support legislation to extend sunset date of the RMDZ program. To support the use of RMDZ funds to promote new and expanded markets, including conversion technologies.
14. To support legislation that would promote through economic, regulatory and/or other incentive processes the development of in-California manufacturing facilities using materials recovered through recycling activities.
15. To oppose legislation mandating that all waste must pass through MRFs.
16. On opportunities to improve the planning and operational constraints of hauler five year continuation rights.
17. On increased recycled content, considering quality and cost criteria.
18. On changes to what is required for siting element conformance.

19. To support the requirement for a basic level of training for solid waste managers and inspectors. To promote joint training opportunities, and a certification program.
20. To support market-based incentives to increase the use of rubberized asphalt.
21. To support legislation, as appropriate, to encourage the construction of “green buildings.”
22. On legislation to clarify the application of Propositions 26 and 218 to solid waste service fees.
23. To support tax credits and other incentives for energy recovery from MSW and for recycling equipment.
24. To support legislation that would make state agencies and schools subject to the provisions and mandates of AB 939, including removal of “subject to funding limitations,” purchase of recycled content products, and the imposition of fines for noncompliance.
25. To oppose legislation that negatively/support legislation that positively impacts existing or new landfill gas-to-energy facilities.

III. OUTREACH AND AWARENESS

- A. **Goal:** Increase awareness of legislative and regulatory issues within SWANA’s membership, and enhance the ability and effectiveness of the LTF to influence the legislature, regulatory agencies, and other associations in support of the LTF Mission Statement and adopted positions.
- B. **Objectives/Actions Items:**
 1. Enhance influence of SWANA with Legislature and regulatory agencies, and encourage them to consider the global impacts of their actions.
 - a. Establish and maintain contacts with key legislators, their staff, CAL-EPA, Natural Resources Agency, Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, SWRCB Board members and staff, CARB Board members and staff, DTSC staff, DOC, Department of Public Health, and other relevant state agencies and departments and other officials. Furnish information as appropriate.
 - b. Encourage local members’ involvement with regional agencies when appropriate.
 - c. Prepare and disseminate profile of SWANA and LTF white papers as appropriate.
 2. Inform SWANA membership of legislative, regulatory, and judicial issues including AB32-related issues.
 - a. Send four newsletters to LTF members and interested parties.
 - b. Send e-mail bulletins to all interested California SWANA members to inform them of important developments and seek support of SWANA membership on critical issues.
 - c. Provide updates at chapter meetings and the Western Regional Symposium to the general membership.
 - d. Encourage SWANA membership to keep local government and special district officials aware of issues of greatest importance to SWANA.
 3. Maintain LTF website.
 4. Promote awareness of the (MOLO program as well as raise awareness of other training opportunities provided by SWANA, including the Western Regional Symposium and SWANA International Trainings such as WASTECON and other trainings relating to

- transfer/collection/recycling activities.
5. Regarding waste reduction mandates, reach out to organizations such as the League of California Cities, CSAC, RCRC and local communities to promote our message, influence their decisions and reach common ground.
 6. Maintain and strengthen coalition building with associations with compatible goals and objectives such as:
 - a. California State Association of Counties
 - b. League of California Cities
 - c. RCRC / Rural Counties' ESJPA
 - d. California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health
 - e. Local Enforcement Agencies
 - f. County Engineers Association of California
 - g. Private Haulers / Solid Waste Industry Group
 - h. Councils of Government
 - i. American Public Works Association
 - j. Environmental Organizations
 - k. Product Stewardship Organizations
 - l. Departments of Public Health
 - m. Board of Pharmacy
 7. Enhance education and awareness of SWANA membership through presentation of a legislative and regulatory session at the Western Regional Symposium.
 8. Support and promote policies developed by SWANA International, such as T-31 Product Stewardship Policy, T-32 Policy on Solid Waste Disposal Ban, the "Pushing the Envelope" document, Achieving Greater Waste Diversion white paper, Applied Research Documents and documents promoting biostabilization and bioenergy landfills ("bioreactors"). Monitor issues that emerge out of locality-specific situations. Use LTF to analyze potential statewide impacts and broadly disseminate information, and assist as necessary. Also, solicit input from all California members.
 9. Post industry comment letters on website.

IV. LOCAL CONTROL AND GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

A. Goal:

Promote control (and reorganization as necessary) of solid waste policy and operations, at the lowest governmental level possible. Emphasize:

- Effective, certified staffing for all aspects of solid waste management
- Cost-effectiveness
- Environmental soundness
- Maximum flexibility for optimized solutions

B. Objectives/Action Items:

1. Support legislation that would provide for local government stakeholder participation at CalRecycle.
2. Monitor / take action on development of appeals processes.
3. Support efforts to eliminate overlap between the agencies and departments and oppose contradictory goals at state agencies.
4. Support legislation and/or regulations that provide local government with the authority and means to achieve and fund mandated activities.
5. Support efforts to provide local government with greater due process in any enforcement

or other directed activity of the Cal/EPA, Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, SWRCB, DTSC, CARB or any other state agency.

6. Retain local authority to provide enforcement and designate LEAs.
7. Support equitable solutions to waste export issues and address the applicability of state tonnage fees on exported waste.