

## SWANA Legislative Task Force Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2023

10 am - 12 pm

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### 1. Administrative Items (10:00 – 11:00 a.m.)

- 1) Roll Call, Introductions
  - i. Meeting called to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was present.
- 2) Approval of September 28, 2023 Minutes
  - i. Motioned, seconded, approved.
- 3) Approval of September Treasurer's Report
  - i. Mr. Kernkamp reviewed the LTF's beginning balance, revenues, expenses, and ending cash balance for September 2023. The following financial data was summarized:  
September 2023
    1. Beginning Balance: \$92,288.85
    2. Revenues: \$21,550.15
    3. Expenses: \$0.00
    4. Ending Cash Balance: \$113,839.00
  - ii. Motioned, seconded, approved.
- 4) Facebook Post – final results
  - i. No update on this item
- 5) Fall SWANA LTF Meeting - Nov. 30 & Dec. 1
  - i. Hotel reservations due October 31
    1. Frank Caponi and Joe La Mariana stated they had issues with the host hotel providing a confirmation receipt. Chris Hanson will request a booking confirmation list.
  - ii. Draft agenda
    1. No comments to the draft.
  - iii. Work plan Assignments are due
    1. All but two assignments have been completed.
  - iv. Dinner reservations
    1. Herb will coordinate. All additions for dinner attendees are to be conveyed to Curtis for tracking purposes.
- 6) SWANA Tax Status
  - i. 501c(4) process will start once the LTF obtains the SWANA logo licensing agreement.

### 2. Legislative Review (10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.)

- 1) [AB 2 \(Ward\) Recycling: solar photovoltaic modules.](#)
  - i. Support in Concept
  - ii. 2-year bill

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- iii. Brief discussion was had to note that there will be two components to this bill; customer-owned solar panels will have a visible fee at the time of purchase to properly recycle / dispose of PV panels as 'E' waste through the CalRecycle CEW program. For other non-customer owned solar systems (leased, utility owned, etc.), will be under an EPR-like program to properly recycle / dispose of PV panels. This program will likely not involve up front money but most likely a guarantee (i.e. minimum warrantee period) by the company involved in solar systems. Bill language will be further developed over the coming months.
- 2) [AB 347 \(Ting\) Household product safety: toxic substances: testing and enforcement.](#)
  - i. Support if Amended- if new products
  - ii. 2-year bill
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 3) [AB 573 \(Garcia\) Organic waste: meeting recovered organic waste product procurement targets.](#)
  - i. Support If Amended
  - ii. Dead
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 4) [AB 592 \(Wilson\) Vehicles: waste hauling.](#)
  - i. Watch
  - ii. Signed
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 5) [AB 660 \(Irwin\) Food labeling: quality dates, safety dates, and sell by dates.](#)
  - i. Watch
  - ii. 2-year bill
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 6) [AB 727 \(Weber\) Product safety: cleaning products: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substance](#)
  - i. Support
  - ii. Vetoed
  - iii. Brief discussion was had on the veto message likely was due to the lack of enforcement mechanisms.
- 7) [AB 863 \(Aguiar- Curry\) Carpet recycling: carpet stewardship organizations: fines: succession: procedure.](#)
  - i. Support in Concept
  - ii. 2-year bill
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 8) [AB 895 \(Chen\) Solid waste: management.](#)
  - i. Sponsored Bill
  - ii. 2-year bill
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 9) [AB 1238 \(Ward\) Hazardous waste: solar panels.](#)
  - i. Support in concept
  - ii. 2-year bill
  - iii. Linked to AB 2, providing alternative handling and recycling mechanisms.
- 10) [AB 1290 \(L. Rivas\) Product safety: plastic packaging: substances](#)
  - i. Support
  - ii. 2-year bill
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 11) [AB 1489 \(Wood\) Solid waste: plastic food service ware.](#)
  - i. Watch
  - ii. Vetoed
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.

- 12) [AB 1548 \(Hart\) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: grant program: recycling infrastructure projects](#)
  - i. Support
  - ii. Signed
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 13) [AB 1567 \(E. Garcia\) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2024.](#)
  - i. 2-year bill
  - ii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 14) [AB 1594 \(Garcia\) Medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles: public agency utilities.](#)
  - i. Support if Amended
  - ii. Signed
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 15) [AB 1705 \(McKinnor\) Solid waste facilities: health protection zones.](#)
  - i. Oppose
  - ii. 2-Year Bill
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 16) [SB 244 \(Eggman\) Right to Repair Act](#)
  - i. Support
  - ii. Signed
  - iii. Joe made the statement that the passing and signing of this bill is a big accomplishment.
- 17) [SB 303 \(Allen\) Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act](#)
  - i. Watch
  - ii. Vetoed
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 18) [SB 414 \(Allen\) Climate change: applications using hydrogen: assessment.](#)
  - i. Watch
  - ii. 2-year bill
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 19) [SB 560 \(Laird\) Solid waste: extended producer responsibility.](#)
  - i. Support in Concept
  - ii. 2-year Bill
  - iii. Brief discussion was had on this Bill. The bill addresses empty gas cylinders less than 5 gallons or 20 pounds, excluding BBQ tanks and aerosol paint cans.
- 20) [SB 615 \(Allen\) Vehicle traction batteries.](#)
  - i. Support in Concept
  - ii. 2-year bill
  - iii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 21) [SB 665 \(Allen\) Plastic waste: single-use plastics alternatives: working group.](#)
  - i. Vetoed
  - ii. No discussion was had on this item.
- 22) [SB 613 \(Sevarto\) Organic waste: reduction goals: local jurisdictions: low-population exemption.](#)
  - i. Signed
  - ii. Un-sponsored bill. Currently, the bulk these batteries are already collected and recycled/properly disposed of. However, the author's office desires a system that tracks battery through entire life. CPSC and RCRC met with the author's office to discuss the need for a bill. Conversations will start again soon.
- 23) [SB 707 \(Newman\) Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2023.](#)
  - i. Watch
  - ii. Two-year bill

Language continues to be developed. Program will require regulations, EPR plan, CalRecycle approval, etc. so will be a multi-year process. The LTF discussed advocating for advanced recycling technology where the only other option is landfill disposal.

24) [SB 751 \(Padilla\) Franchise agreements: labor Dispute](#)

- i. Watch
- ii. Vetoed
- iii. No discussion was had on this item.

25) [SB 777 \(Allen\) Solid waste: reusable grocery bags and recycled paper bags.](#)

- i. Support
- ii. Vetoed
- iii. No discussion was had on this item.

26) [SB 806 \(Archuleta\) Trash receptacles and storage containers: reflective markings.](#)

- i. Support
- ii. Signed
- iii. No discussion was had on this item.

### 3. Regulatory Update (11:00 a.m. – noon)

1) Little Hoover Commission Collaboration

- i. Next steps
  1. LTF is on calendar to touch base with the LHC next month. Chris Hanson made the statement that she would appreciate ideas on how to collaborate with the LHC and other industry groups to have a unified voice. There is time allocated to strategize at the Annual Meeting in November. Jason stated that the window of opportunity is short and the most likely area of new ideas for SB 1383 is in the area of compost procurement requirements.
- ii. Engaging other advocacy groups

2) SB 54

- i. Jason commented that the rulemaking process will happen soon and at a quick pace.
  1. Discussion was had that the Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO) most likely will be only one company which is of concern. Two companies are expected to participate on the selection process (Circular Action Alliance and Product Care).
  2. The LTF should continue to follow CalRecycle efforts on the regulation, covered materials list, and needs assessment, as all will impact local government.
- ii. League of Cities workshop – local government focus. Recording can be [viewed at this link](#).
- iii. CalRecycle Covered Materials List
  1. Jurisdictions must collect materials designated recyclable or compostable
  2. Relates to SB 343 and AB 1201 definitions
- iv. CalRecycle Needs Assessment – seeking cost estimates from haulers / facilities
- v. Advisory Council update? – Doug

3) AB 1201

- i. CalRecycle feasibility of bifurcated organics collection
- ii. Public Workshop November 1 - [notice](#)
- iii. CalRecycle [discussion paper](#)

4) AB 2440/SB 1215

- i. Doug Kobold reported that CalRecycle is starting on the AB 2440 regulations and update the CEW program per SB 1215.

5) Advanced Clean Fleet

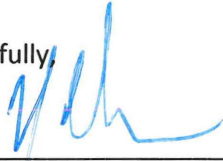
- i. Frank Caponi stated that the rule was approved by the Office of Administrative Law and will become regulation as of 1/1/24 with reporting to start in April 2024.

6) [CARB Zero Emission Forklift](#)

- i. Lynnda Martin stated and Curtis echoed that this is something the LTF needs to watch carefully as it will most likely bleed over into 'yellow iron'. CARB is asking for input from the Environmental Justice community. Nothing new is being publicly posted at this time.
- 7) DTSC Hazardous Waste Management Plan
  - i. Hazardous Waste Industries sent a letter to DTSC stating that there are not enough facilities in California to process hazardous waste causing the HW to be exported to other states.
- 8) Other
  - i. Larry stated that Cal OSHA is considering indoor heat illness requirements that differ from outdoor standards. This most likely will cause confusion.

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Respectfully,



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Curtis Larkin, Secretary

**Enclosures:**

- Meeting Minutes
- Agenda
- Treasurer's Report
- Roster