

Executive Summary

Solid Waste Advisory Committee July 15, 2002

- I. Call to Order and Announcements** **Susan McLain**
- Mr. Irvine introduced Mike Huycke as the new general manager of WRI.
 - Approval of Minutes: Mr. Winterhalter motioned to move the summary; Mr. White seconded the motion; none opposed; Executive Summary passed as read.
 - Councilor McLain announced that Council would conduct a first reading of the ordinance amending advisory committee term limits and SWAC membership at their next meeting.
- II. REM Director's Update** **Terry Petersen**
- The ordinances to amend the Regional System Fee Credit Program will be considered at the next Committee meeting because the last meeting was cancelled.
- III. New Policies to Increase Dry Waste Recovery, Part 2** **Lee Barrett**
- Mr. Barrett summarized the previous month's presentation that explained that 260,000 additional tons would need to be recovered to meet the 56% recovery by 2005 goal. He suggested that Metro could use Designated Facility Agreements (DFAs) to give facilities outside of the region the same opportunity to participate in dry waste recovery as those in the region. SWAC members had several questions related to details of how this would work, such as how waste is tracked and how fees are assessed on out-of-region waste. Some members are concerned about meeting minimum recovery rates if they can no longer send poor quality loads to out-of-region facilities that do not have minimum recovery standards, and that this not give a competitive advantage to one landfill. Councilor McLain stated that the Council would make any decision to shift Metro's policies to increase dry waste recovery; that any policy shift in this matter will not "hide" in administrative rules, and would be considered in concert with the "October review" (i.e., transfer station service areas.)
- IV. Enforcement Update** **Roy Brower**
- Mr. Brower explained that Metro's Enforcement program began in 1993, and has grown to include 2 Multnomah County sheriffs and 2 corrections officers that oversee crews of inmates that do illegal dump clean-up. Between 1,000 and 1,500 illegal dumps are cleaned up every year, usually within one day of being reported. Any publicly owned land in the Metro region is eligible for this service, and the sheriffs can also help investigate illegal dumping on private land. The program costs \$365,000 per year and is funded by the Regional System Fee. Last year, \$120,000 in fines were assessed, but little of that was actually collected. Anyone can report an illegal dump by calling Metro Recycling Information, or on Metro's website at <http://www.metro-region.org/rem/waste/dump.html>. Multnomah County, particularly the City of Portland, relies on Metro to provide this service, as does Clackamas County to some extent. Washington County rarely uses this program, and is concerned with duplication of services since they have their own program. Mr. White inquired if an increase in the tip fee impacts illegal dumping. Mr. Brower said they have considered that, but do not find any correlation.
- VII. Other Business and Adjourn** **Susan McLain**
- There was no further business.

Documents to be kept with the record of the meeting:

Agenda Item III:

1. PowerPoint presentation (attached to this summary)

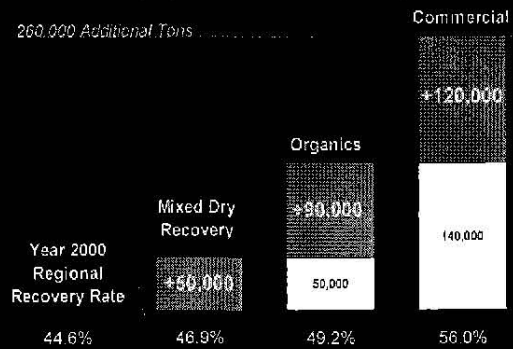
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On the Road to Recovery



Tons of New Recovery Needed to Meet Goal



Dry Waste Recovery

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In Region <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Dry Waste recovery is accomplished <p>150,000 tons/
50,000 recovered</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Out of Region <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ No regulatory authority for recovery requirements ✓ Economic incentives currently not available <p>150,000 tons/
0 recovered</p> |
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How to Recover Dry Waste Delivered to Out-of-District Facilities

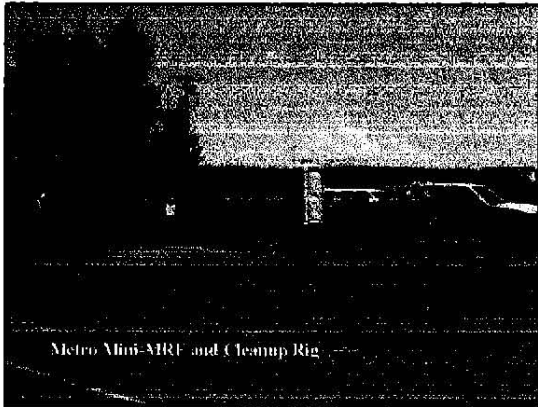
- Require recovery
- Provide the opportunity for recovery at all facilities

Options

- Staff is leaning toward the opportunity option
 - ✓ Extend the "front door" exemption
 - ✓ Make the regional system fee credit program available to them

Questions

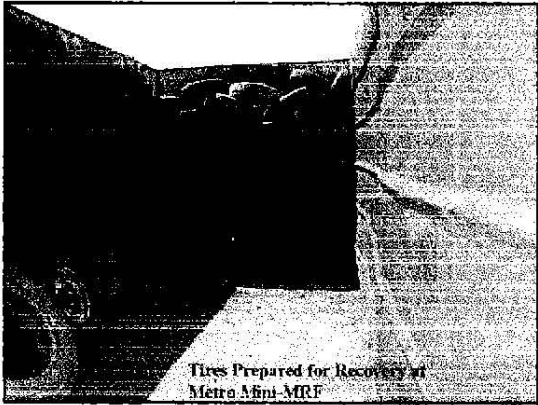
- Can the out of district meet the same recovery goals as in district?
- Are these economic incentives enough to leverage increased processing capacity?
- Is there any potential conflict with Metro's 90% flow guarantee?



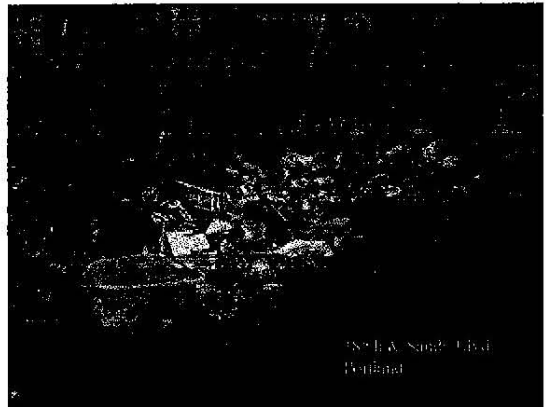
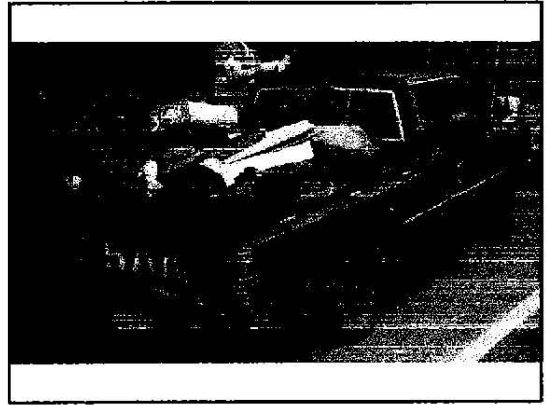
Metro Mini-MRF and Cleanup Rig



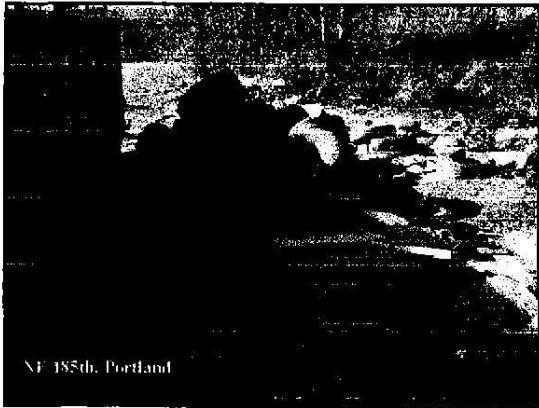
Inmate Crews De-rimring Tires



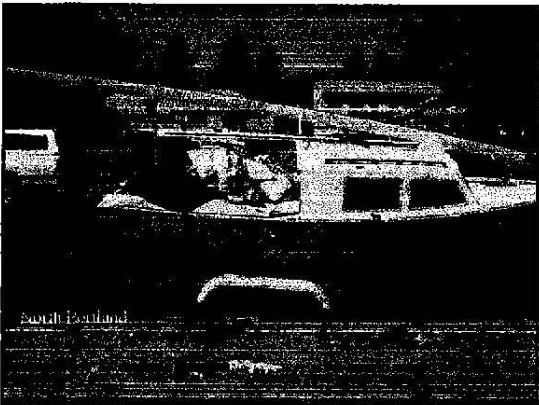
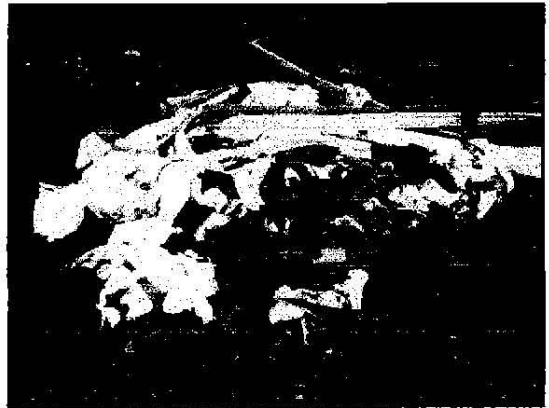
Tires Prepared for Recovery at Metro Mini-MRF



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