

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SUMMARY OF MEETING OF APRIL 19, 1995**

MEMBERS

Merle Irvine, Willamette Resources
David White, ORRA
Debbie Noah, E. Mult. Cities
Tom Miller, Wash. Cty Haulers Assn
James Cozzetto Jr., MDC/ERI
Ken Spiegle, Clackamas Co.
Doug Coenen, Oregon Waste Systems
Loreen Mills, Wash. Co. Cities
Jeff Grimm, GFC

Kathy Kiwala, Wash. Co.
Jeanne Roy, Citizen
Dave Kunz, DEQ
Ralph Gilbert, East Co. Recyclers
Bruce Broussard, Citizen
Emilie Kroen, Wash. Co. Cities
Sue Kiel, City of Portland
Jeff Murray, Far West Fibers

GUESTS

Jerry Mayberry, City of Portland
Lynda Kotta, City of Gresham
Keri Painter, Columbia Resource Co.
Terry McDonald, St. Vincent dePaul
Debra Fromdahl, Sanifill NW

Ray Phelps, OWSI
Robert Peterson, Peterson & Assoc
Daryl Worthington, City of Troutdale
Diana Godwin, Regional Disposal Co.

METRO

Jon Kvistad, Chair, Metro Council
Terry Petersen, Acting S.W. Director
Marie Nelson
Connie Kinney

Chuck Geyer
Doug Anderson
Scott Klagg

1. Approval of April 19, 1995 Minutes

Chairman Kvistad called the meeting to order. Jeanne Roy requested that her comments on the need for the Plan to reach 50% recycling be inserted into the minutes of the previous meeting. There were no objections and upon a vote of the committee, the minutes were unanimously approved as amended.

2. Updates

A. Disposal of Waste from Forest Grove. Mr. Petersen discussed the status of the Request for Proposal to transfer waste from Forest Grove. The RPF is being developed pursuant to the Council's resolution that a competitive *bidding process* be conducted..

B. Flow Control Legislation. Mr. Petersen reported that Metro had been contacted by a coalition of governments in the state of Washington working on federal flow control legislation. Anyone interested in hearing more was invited to stay after the meeting.

C. Update on Increasing Theft of High Value Recyclables. Ron Andrico reported on the problem of recyclable materials such as corrugated cardboard being removed by unauthorized individuals from commercial dumpsters. The committee discussed how local governments were currently dealing with the issue through their code enforcement and what role Metro might have in assisting local governments. Councilor Kvistad emphasized

that Metro was not trying to interfere with local governments but only to respond to requests for help. Ron Andrico proposed that Metro could provide language for a draft model local ordinance.

3. Regional Solid Waste Management Plan (RSWMP)

- **A. Review of Planning Schedule and Process.** Marie Nelson reviewed the current schedule and process for developing the RSWMP. Ms. Nelson reported that the 6th year waste reduction plans developed by local governments will soon be out for review. Merle Irvine asked how the plans will be coordinated with the RSWMP. Ms. Nelson explained that the 6th year plans were one year efforts and the RSWMP sets out a 10 year plan and that efforts were being made to coordinate the plans. She also announced that local government recycling coordinators and Waste Reduction Division staff will report to the SWAC at the May 17th meeting on the status of the plans.

- **B. Report from the SWAC Planning Subcommittee.** Ms. Nelson began the report by thanking SWAC Subcommittee members for their hard work. She then reviewed the draft Chapter on Plan Adoption, Implementation, and Assessment included in the agenda package. Several concerns were raised and discussed at that time over the adequacy of local government financing to carry out the plan, how local areas might institute alternative practices and what role DEQ would play in enforcement. Dave Kunz stated that DEQ has a responsibility to approve and enforce waste reduction plans. He also stated that they want to make sure the plan is designed to move forward each year rather than need to rely on enforcement.

Doug Anderson gave an overview of the Plan Monitoring Chapter included in the agenda package. Committee members discussed how to account for the impact of waste prevention. Measuring waste disposed was proposed as a good alternative. Committee members also discussed differences in definitions of "recycling" and "recovery" between Metro and DEQ.

Scott Klag presented an overview of the large formatted tables "Recommended Practices - Implementation Plan" included in the agenda package. Committee members were requested to comment on the tables. He explained that because of the length and detail in the tables, staff had developed a set of questions that highlighted the main implementation issues. The discussion then turned to these questionnaires.

SWAC Planning Subcommittee members: David White, Tom Miller, Steve Miesen, Jeanne Roy, Merle Irvine, Susan Ziolk, Lynne Storz, Lynda Kotta, Jerry Mayberry, and David Kunz.

C. Discussion. The Committee was also asked to write responses on a written questionnaire. The results of the discussion and questionnaire responses is summarized in Attachment 1 to these minutes.

4. Other Business / Citizen Communication. None.

5. Adjourn. There being no further business, Chairman Kvistad adjourned the meeting. He announced the next SWAC meeting would convene at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 17, Metro Conference Room 370.