METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT 527 S.W. HALL ST., PORTLAND OR. 97201, 503/221-1646

AGENDA SOLID WASTE POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE

Date: March 8, 1982

Day: Monday

Time: Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Place: Metro Offices, Conference Room A-1, A-2

I. Approval of January 25, 1982 Meeting Minutes

II. Introduction of New Members, Selection of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

III. Project Update - Energy Recovery Plant

IV. Project Update - Wildwood Sanitary Landfill

JANUARY 25, 1982

SOLID WASTE POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE

Members

Bill Culham
Frank Cooper
James Cozzetto
Howard Grabhorn
Robert Harris
Dick Howard
Harold LaVelle
Shirley Coffin
Dave Phillips
Warren Rosenfeld
Mike Sandberg
John Trout
Mike Sievers

Staff

Dennis O'Neil Cheryl Moralez Craig O'Hare David Sturtevant Kathy Thomas Norm Wietting Doug Drennen Evelyn Brown Bev Bailey

Guests

Bruce Etlinger, Metro Councilor Bob Brown, DEQ

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Bill Culham called the meeting to order.

I. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 7, 1981 MEETING MINUTES

Mike Sievers requested that his comments about the FIP be added to the minutes. He had stated that the FIP was a "plan without a plan" because the Council has not approved the Transfer Station Plan. He also wanted John Trout's question noted as to how the figures in the FIP were derived. Doug explained that the FIP is a summary of a larger document which will explain how the figures were derived. Before Doug started the presentation he announced that the costs presented at the last meeting had been adjusted down by 50¢/ton on each alternative. This was a result of reducing future anticipated cost of administration and enforcement by minimizing the materials and services budget.

II. FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION - Washington County Waste Transfer System Alternatives

This work is an extension of the FIP and was shown to Washington County Solid Waste Advisory Committee and to the Washington County elected officials.

In 1981, total commercial trips to Metro area landfills were 168,000; total public trips were 370,000-380,000. In 1983, the operating landfills will be St. Johns, Nash Pit, and Newberg, with CTRC opening in December 1982. The FIP considers two options for transfer stations in the region: 1) one transfer facility, ERF, and Wildwood; and 2) two transfer stations, ERF, and Wildwood. Having transfer stations improves haul efficiency, provides convenience for recycling and disposal of yard debris and bulky items and enhances flow control to the ERF.

Doug showed that transfer stations are alternatives to disposal sites for Washington County. He also showed the one-way travel times from various areas to these facilities. The times used are based on actual driving time. Doug stated the impact of having one central transfer station basically maintains the existing service for Washington County haulers. However, with the closing of Hillsboro Landfill, the real impact would be on the public. Last year, there were 36,000 public trips to that landfill. Two stations reduces the one-way haul times compared to existing service.

Doug outlined the minimum requirements for a transfer station as required by the franchise:

- It must be sized to handle all the waste from that area.
- It must provide recycling facilities.

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- It must have public access.
- Metro would establish flow control.
- The operation of the gatehouse would be independent from the haulers.
- Metro would establish a user fee.
- Metro would set rates.

Doug showed to the Committee pictures of the CTRC to demonstrate the type of facility which meets these requirements.

Questions were asked: does Washington County want a transfer station? To what extent should Metro be involved? Should there be public access? Doug said that Washington County informed Metro that the haulers are considering building and operating the facility.

Mike Sandberg said that Washington County needs a transfer station. The problem is finding a site. Private enterprise is now looking for a site. Mike also stated that Washington County favors public access to transfer station as well as access by commercial solid waste haulers.

A question was asked about to whom the presentation was made in Washington County. Doug said it was made to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee and to elected officials. The meeting was open to the public.

An issue was brought up concerning other regions dumping in our landfills. Clark County just reopened a transfer station and is hauling to St. Johns. John Trout asked if there was anything we could do to keep this from happening. Doug stated he did not know what legal position Metro could take. A suggestion was made that a formal request be made to the Council to change the ordinance that prohibits waste in the Metro area from being dumped outside the District to also prohibit waste outside the District from coming in and being dumped in Metro area landfills. A comment was made that this is something the Bi-State Task Force should discuss. John Trout suggested that a higher charge be placed on waste coming from outside the District, and that a precedent was set by the City for this some time ago.

Doug said that the Council would vote on the transfer station options in June

Mr. Culham asked for other business and brought up the attendance report. The Council will meet to discuss and decide the new members for the Committee. The Committee adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ATTENDANCE AND VOTE RECORD

Meeting Date 3-8-82

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