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Welcome to the May 2009 EMD Update. This issue contains activities and accomplishments that occurred in the Department during the month of April 2009. Please feel free to forward comments, questions and/or suggestions to Linda Jimenez at (916) 875-8582 or JimenezL@SacCounty.net.

Highlights

Old Building



New Building



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Roger Dickinson, 1st District
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Don Nottoli, 5th District

Terry Schutten, County Executive

Jim Hunt
Acting Administrator
Countywide Services Agency

Val F. Siebal, Director
Environmental Management
Department

NOTEWORTHY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

EMD Moves To New Location

After serving clients for more than 20+ years from the Jackson Road facility, EMD has moved to its new leased facility located at 10590 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, CA 95655.

COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE, WORKSHOPS AND OUTREACH

Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMP) Workshops

Two HMP workshops were held in April with eight businesses in attendance.

Food Safety Education (FSE)

Five FSE classes were conducted in April with 109 participants representing 13 facilities. Two classes were conducted in English; two classes were conducted in Spanish; and one class was conducted in Cantonese.

Town Hall Meeting In Supervisorial District 2

EMD Director Val Siebal attended in a Town Hall Evening Meeting held in District 2 and answered questions about the County's role in public health and environmental protection.

PROCESS IMPROVEMENT AND COLLABORATION

Sacramento International Airport

EMD Director Val Siebal met with Michael La Pier, Chief Operating Officer, Sacramento International Airport to discuss EMDs regulatory role and review sanitation options for flu and bacteria at the Airport.

Water Reuse Association

ES Chris Hunley attended the NorCal Chapter Meeting of the Water Reuse Association and received information regarding: (1) The draft statewide general permit for landscape irrigation using recycled water; (2) Key legislation relating to recycled water; and (3) Pending adoption of the recycled water pumping code by the State Department of Water Resources.

California Retail Food Code Amendments

EMD Director Val Siebal, EHD Chief John Rogers, EHD Deputy Chief Alicia Enriquez and ES Sonia Lee attended a reception celebrating the passing of Senate Bill (SB) 241 which contains several amendments to the California Retail Food Code. The amendments were the product of a major collaborative effort between the industry and regulators.

Water Technical Advisory Committee (WTAC)

ES Cheryl Hawkins attended a meeting of the Water Technical Advisory Committee to discuss drilling of wells, regulations and small water systems.

Bay Area Food Technical Advisory Committee (BAFTAC)

ES Sonia Lee attended a meeting of the Bay Area Food Technical Advisory Committee to discuss California Retail Food Code issues with representatives from other Northern California counties.

Illegal Mobile Food Vendors

Supervising ES Kelly McCoy participated in a meeting with representatives from City and County Code Enforcement, the County Sheriff's Office and Neighborhood Services to continue discussions regarding non-permitted (illegal) mobile food vendors in Sacramento County. EMD staff joined County Code Enforcement in conducting three sweeps of illegal food vendors in the County.

EMD Move Committee

The EMD Move Committee, consisting of Chair Alicia Enriquez (EHD Deputy Chief); Supervising ES Colleen Maitoza; ESs Ryan Artz, John Lewis, Sharon Merker and Jason Smalley; Administrative Services Officer I Linda Jimenez; IT Analyst II Rob Milano; Accounting Technician Sothea Chhang; and Senior Office Specialist Kristin Ledbetter, did an excellent job in making our move to Mather organized and efficient.

Sacramento Environmental Commission (SEC)

EMD Director Val Siebal and Department Executive Secretary Vicki Kloock provided staff support to the April meeting of the SEC. The 2008 Environmental Recognition Awards were presented at the April meeting. The 10th Annual Awards program was expanded to include four Award categories. Most of the Award winners were present at the meeting, including a large contingent from the Science Olympiad Team from Arden Middle School. Commission members also received information regarding Bike Month, Creek Week, Earth Day and a somber presentation regarding drought conditions in California.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Administrative Professional Newsletter

EMD Director Val Siebal recognized Executive Secretary Vicki Kloock for producing the newsletter in recognition of Administrative Professionals Day. Vicki interviewed each Administrative Professional and shared the information collected by compiling the newsletter.

Administrative Professionals Day

EMD Managers and Supervisors hosted an Administrative Professionals Day celebration and provided food for all EMD Administrative Professionals in recognition of their contributions to the Department.

EMPLOYEE TRAINING

Management Of Universal Waste

ES Michelle Sever attended a training workshop on the management of universal wastes presented by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control. Participants received information on the finalized regulations pertaining to universal waste, as well as implementation of the California Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003.

Aboveground Petroleum Storage Act

ESs Sean Daneluk, Rebecca Knoche, and Jeni VanDusen attended training regarding the Aboveground Petroleum Storage Act. This course and its subsequent examination are part of a comprehensive training program which serves as the certification for all aboveground petroleum storage tank inspectors. ESs Daneluk, Knoche, and VanDusen passed the examination and received their certification.

Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS)

Supervising ES Mark Barcellos attended SEMS Disaster Preparedness Training.

California Environmental Health Association (CEHA)

ESs Cheryl Hawkins and Susan Williams attended the CEHA Annual Educational Symposium (AES) and participated in training on well destruction, water work standards, geothermal well installation, and the Nebraska Well Seal Study.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS

City of Rancho Cordova

ESs Derek Jacks and Mike Simpson presented information on the Waste Tire Program to members of the City of Rancho Cordova Code Enforcement Section. The purpose of the presentation was to promote awareness of illegal haulers and illegal waste tire storage.

California Environmental Health Association (CEHA)

Supervising ES Colleen Maitoza presented information on pool safety at the Annual Educational Symposium presented by the California Environmental Health Association.

PERSONNEL

Promotions

Victoria Krohn, Justin Ross and Eric Sutton were promoted to ES IIs in ECT.

APRIL 2009 BY THE NUMBERS

		April 2009	To Date FY 2008-09
	<u>Food Facility Placards Issued</u>		
	A. Green – Pass	1,151	10,916
	B. Yellow – Conditional Pass	50	698
	C. Red – Closed	11	159
	<u>Inspections</u>		
1.	Food Protection (includes reinspections and food events)	1,408	14,109
2.	Farm Labor Camps	0	42
3.	Public Swimming Pools/Spas	4	1,904
4.	Solid Waste Facilities (landfills/transfer stations)	16	200
5.	Liquid Waste	21	175
6.	Medical Waste	8	81
7.	Small Water Systems	1	26
8.	Wells	80	718
9.	Underground Storage Tank (UST) Installations, Upgrade/Repair, and Removal	50	292
10.	Businesses/Facilities Generating Hazardous Waste	47	847
11.	Businesses/Facilities Storing Hazardous Materials	72	1,329
12.	Underground Storage Tank Facilities	34	439
13.	Storm Water	147	2,388
14.	Waste Tire	70	421
15.	Tobacco Retailer	11	393
16.	Commercial Recycling	<u>183</u>	<u>2,006</u>
	Total	2,152	25,370
	<u>Investigations</u>		
1.	Consumer Complaints	65	601
2.	Food Borne Illness	21	170
3.	Incident Response	50	512
4.	Storm Water	6	212
5.	Waste Tire	0	0
6.	Childhood Lead	<u>1</u>	<u>15</u>
	Total	143	1,510
	<u>Class Attendance</u>		
1.	Food Safety Education (Food School)	109	912
2.	Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMP) Workshop	7	70
3.	“How To Get A Green” Workshop	<u>0</u>	<u>211</u>
	Total	116	1,193
	<u>Plans, Permits, and Reviews</u>		
1.	Hazardous Materials Business Plans	350	4,319
2.	Monitoring Wells	29	316
3.	Food Facilities	74	875
4.	Public Swimming Pools/Spas	184	667
5.	Underground Storage Tanks - Includes Removals, Installations, Upgrades and Repairs	11	214
6.	Land Use	3	21
7.	Cross Connection Permits (Blue Tags)	<u>2,152</u>	<u>16,354</u>
	Total	<u>2,803</u>	22,766
	<u>Information Management</u>		
1.	Documents Imaged	11,412	116,394
2.	Public Record Reviews	<u>14</u>	<u>178</u>
	Total	11,426	116,572