

**JULY 1, 2004 – JUNE 30, 2005  
FISCAL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS**

The following is a partial list of many of the activities and accomplishments of the Environmental Management Department during this past fiscal year:

- Received a 2004 California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Challenge Award for “Food Safety Education for Restaurants”.
- Dennis Green, Chief, Hazardous Materials Division, received a “Leadership Award” from the Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) and an “Arnold Action Award” from Cal EPA as a statewide leader in the development and implementation of the Administrative Enforcement Order process.
- Received County Board of Supervisor approval for selected fee adjustments for fiscal year 2005-06.
- Tammy Derby, Environmental Specialist, received the “Ralph S. Hunter” Award from the California Integrated Waste Management Board for outstanding work in the field of Solid Waste Management.
- At the request of the City of Sacramento, EMD was appointed as the Lead Administering Agency for the oversight of the cleanup of a trap range site.
- Elise Rothschild, Supervising Environmental Specialist, received County “Stars of Excellence Gold Medal” recognition for her contribution to the Sacramento Area Green Business Formation Committee.
- Received County Board of Supervisors approval for the rebate of surplus enforcement revenue to compliant businesses.
- Elise Rothschild, Supervising Environmental Specialist, and Environmental Specialists Heather Tanner, Chris Pace, Duane O'Donnell (former EMD employee), Eileen Glatt and Yalew Kebede (retired EMD employees) received County “Stars of Excellence Gold Medal” recognition for processing and settlement of a statewide underground storage tank enforcement case.
- Heather Tanner, Environmental Specialist, received County recognition for revisions to the Hazardous Material Area Plan.
- Presented more than thirty-six (36) Restaurant Food Safety Education classes in English, Spanish, and Cantonese with 555 participants representing 147 facilities.
- Environmental Specialists Jannine Talusik, Renee Manwaring and Carol Good (retired EMD employee) received County “Stars of Excellence Bronze Medal” recognition for Food Safety Education for Restaurants.
- Imaged more than 461,000 documents since January 2002 allowing for shared/multiple person viewing and retrieval of office space previously utilized for storage of paper documents.
- Produced and distributed more than sixteen (16) Compliance Assistance Bulletins to approximately 8200 regulated businesses.
- Collaborated with Cooperative Extension to produce nine (9) Consumer Fact Sheets highlighting Spring, Summer and Holiday Food Safety.
- Held 23 Hazardous Material Plan (HMP) Workshops with 99 businesses attending.
- Met with representatives from City of Toronto, Canada Health Department to gather information regarding their approach to public notification of restaurant inspection results.

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- Participated in joint City/County Emergency Operations preparedness exercises.
- Hosted a Japanese delegation from the Food Labeling and Standards Division of the Food Safety and Consumer Affairs Bureau of Japan.
- Instituted an “Award of Excellence in Food Safety Program” and issued certificates to 93 restaurants (located in the County, including the incorporated cities) for demonstrating excellent food safety and sanitation standards.
- Responded to more than 42 requests for media interviews providing information on items such as EMD’s Food Protection Program, a Sewage Overflow, Homeless Campsites and the Rebate of Enforcement Revenue.
- Began conducting triennial Stormwater Compliance Inspections.
- Partnered with County Public Health Epidemiology staff to investigate E-coli food borne illness reports associated with a local restaurant.
- Conducted presentations before various groups regarding the Department’s Stormwater Program.
- Resolved a long-standing enforcement case related to multiple well construction violations at a large subdivision.
- Collaborated with the County Health Officer on issues concerning sewage overflows in residential areas.
- Initiated a formalized Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) Training Program within the Department.
- Hosted a delegation from Wellington, New Zealand with expressed interest in Department food policies and field applications.
- Conducted employee recruitment at various statewide and local educational events.
- Participated, with representatives from the State and Regional Water Quality Board, as well as Sanitation Districts, in the development and notification of Sanitary Sewer Overflows.

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