



Roadmap to a Sustainable Waste Management Future Stakeholders Meeting

Microsoft Teams Webinar
April 30, 2020



MEETING SUMMARY

- **Welcome and Introductions**
 - Coby Skye, Assistant Deputy Director from Los Angeles County Public Works welcomed attendees to the first Roadmap webinar and explained the focus of the webinar is to present the structure of the updated Roadmap 2020 document.
- **Focus Area Leads**
 - Regional/Countywide: Martins Aiyetiwa and Charles Darensbourg
 - County Unincorporated Communities: Suk Chong and Steve Milewski
 - County Operations: Christopher Sheppard and Nilda Gemeniano
- **COVID-19 Impacts on Waste Management**
 - An overview on how COVID-19 has impacted waste management was provided highlighting the following:
 - Trash collection continues uninterrupted as it is an essential service.
 - Some Material Recovery Facilities have suspended their services out of caution for sanitation workers' health and safety.
 - Waste haulers have reported an increase in Residential trash and a decrease in Commercial trash.
- **County Response to COVID-19**
 - An overview of what actions the County has taken in response to COVID-19 was provided including:
 - In compliance with the State's Safer at Home Order, the County temporarily cancelled or postponed various Community events and programs, including Household Hazardous Waste/Electronic Waste collection, mattress and tire collection, Smart Gardening in-person workshops, and annual clean-up events by our contracted waste haulers.

- Bulky item collection continues as does illegal dumping cleanup within road right-of-way.
 - Smart Gardening online webinars are being developed.
- **Recap of February 2020 Roadmap Stakeholders Meeting**
 - Highlights included three rotating breakout sessions to review and discuss the Roadmap initiatives, a brief overview was given on the County's Organics Management programs, and a detailed presentation was provided on organics management by the consulting group, Tetra Tech.
- **Roadmap 2020 Update Key Drivers**
 - Roadmap 2020 will align and complement Los Angeles County's "Our County" Sustainability Plan, Strategic Plan, and the Community Climate Action Plan.
 - Key drivers that have significantly impacted the County's waste management operations and priorities include:
 - The China National Sword policy, which restricted the import of recyclables materials.
 - Organics Management mandates focused on reducing disposal of organics.
 - Mandatory Commercial Recycling law requires jurisdictions to divert 75 percent of solid waste from landfills by 2020.
- **Roadmap 2020 Strategies Update**
 - Roadmap 2020 will include the following three strategies:
 - Programs and Services
 - Measuring Results
 - Facilities and Infrastructure
 - In Roadmap 2020, Outreach and Education will be incorporated in the above-mentioned strategies and will be identified as a Priority Issue.
- **Roadmap 2020 Initiatives Update**
 - A high-level overview of the revised 2020 Roadmap initiatives was provided.
 - Initiatives were condensed to be more general, allow for wider focus, and avoid redundancy to make the Roadmap easier to read.
 - Examples of the revised initiatives for each strategy area were provided and shared how the revisions include stakeholder input voiced during the December 2019 and February 2020 Roadmap stakeholder meetings.

- **Question & Answer Session**

- Attendees submitted more than 18 questions during the meeting with many questions addressed at scheduled intervals during this meeting.
- Most of the questions were reviewed and answered during the meeting.
- Questions and Answers will be posted on the RoadmapLA.com website.

- **Next Steps**

- June/July 2020 – County Public Works will circulate the draft Roadmap 2020 online for public comment.
- August/September 2020 – Community Outreach
- Late 2020 – Present Roadmap 2020 to County Board of Supervisors

- **Closing Remarks**

- Coby Skye thanked everyone for taking their time to attend the first Roadmap webinar and submitting questions and informed them to send any additional questions or comments to Roadmap@pw.lacounty.gov.