

## Watch Your Waste Green Town Meeting February 15, 2017









# **Topics**

- City Solid Waste Program
- Current Performance
- Next Steps to Achieve 78% Waste Diversion
- Best Practices in Achieving High Diversion

# City Solid Waste Program

- Franchise Agreement w/ MTWS
  - Executed in March 2010
  - > 10-year contract with two possible extensions
  - Exclusive right to provide solid waste collection services
- Oversight of Annual Performance
  - Quarterly and Annual reports
  - On-going regular meetings
- Regional Collaboration

## **Current Performance**

- State Laws
- Diversion Data
- Recycling Efforts

# **State Laws**

- AB 939 Enacted 1989 -
  - 50 % Recycled by 2000
- AB 32 Enacted 2006 -
  - GHG's reduced to 1990 levels by 2020
- AB 341 Enacted 2012 Mandatory Commercial Recycling -
  - Generators over 4 cy's week Solid Waste
  - > 75 % Goal For Recycling State Wide
- AB 1826 Enacted 2014 -
  - Organic Waste reduced by 50% by 2020
- AB 1383 Enacted 2016 -
  - 50% reduction Short-lived Climate Pollutants -
    - Specified reduction in Organic Waste in Landfills

## **AB 939**

#### 30% increase in Diversion

Santa Clara County Cities Landfilled Lbs. per Person Day

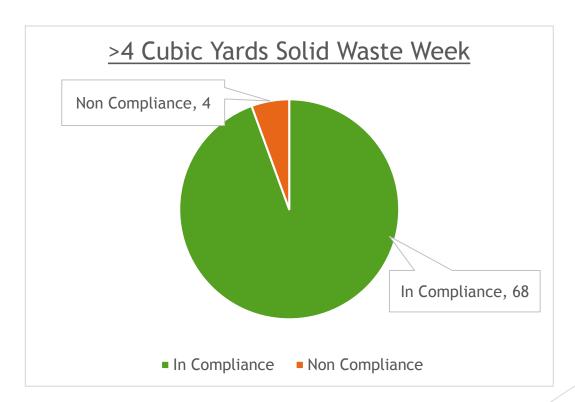
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Los Altos Hills	3.4	1	Los Altos Hills	Los Altos Hills 3.4
Monte Sereno	3.9	1.2	Monte Sereno	Monte Sereno 3.9
Saratoga	4.2	2.5	Los Altos	Los Altos 4.4
Cupertino	4.3	3.1	Saratoga	
San Jose	5.2	3.1	San Jose	S .
Los Gatos	6	3.3	Santa Clara-	
Sunnyvale	5	3.5	Unincorporated	
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Santa Clara-			Sunnyvale	
Unincorporated	4	3.7	Mountain View	•
Campbell	5.2	3.8	Los Gatos	
Milpitas	6.3	3.9	Campbell	
Morgan Hill	6.1	4	Gilroy	·
Mountain View	7.8	4	Milpitas	· ·
Palo Alto	8.2	4.2	Morgan Hill	
Gilroy	6.2	4.5	Santa Clara	_
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#### SOURCE:

http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LGCentral/Reports/jurisdiction/diversiondisposal.aspx

# **AB 341**

- Enacted 2012 Mandatory Commercial Recycling -
  - Generators over 4 cy's week Solid Waste
  - > 75 % Goal For Recycling State Wide



# **AB 1826**

Organic Waste reduced by 50% by 2020

	*2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Landfilled	3,238	8,768	9,100	8,855	9,187	9,223
Composted	5,135	13,773	13,833	13,708	13,530	13,038
Total	8,373	22,541	22,933	22,563	22,717	22,261
Reduction	61%	61%	60%	61%	60%	59%

## <u>MTWS Provided</u> <u>Diversion Capacity Customer Subscription Levels</u>

Los Altos Customers										
Cubic Yards Week Capacity										
<u>Type</u>	Count		Solid Waste	Recycling	Organic's	_	<u>Landfill</u>	Diversion	<u>Total</u>	% Capacity for <u>Diversion</u>
Single Family	9,389		1,663	4469	4902.4		1,663	9,371	11,035	85%
Commercial Bin	336		979	1063.8	264.16		336	1327.96	1,664	80%
Multi-Family	123		312	265	58.72		312	323.72	635	51%

All Recycling Services Provided at No Charge to Customers

All Customers Can Reduce Their Disposal Costs by Recycling

### **MTWS Diversion Requirements**

	Minimum Diversion Rate	Diversion Rate Achieved	Tons Generated	Tons Diverted	Non MTWS Systems Tons Landfilled	Total City Generated	Non MTWS % Tons
December 31,2011	62%	71.40%	30,706	21,937	4,559	35,265	13%
December 31,2012	<b>69</b> %	70.60%	30,949	21,849	4,391	35,339	12%
December 31,2013	78%	70.90%	30,429	21,574	5,197	35,626	15%
December 31,2014	78%	70.70%	31,389	22,202	5,305	36,694	14%
December 31,2015	78%	70.20%	30,987	21,764	6,212	37,199	17%

#### Waste Composition Of Commercial Landfilled Loads

Annual Tons	<u>City</u>	Commercial	<u>Multi</u> Family
4,682	609	3,839	2,341



	Weekly Volume	
		<u>% of</u>
<u>Source</u>	Cubic Yards	<u>Total</u>
City	152	13%
COM	977	<b>82</b> %
MFF	<u>68</u>	<u>5%</u>
	1,197	100%

#### Materials Identified in Loads

<u>Material</u>	% Identified	Sub Total
Food waste	25.4%	
Yard waste	1.8%	27.2%
Dry Fiber	8.7%	
OCC	6.6%	15.3%
PET	1.1%	
HDPE	1.2%	
Mixed Plastic	2.7%	5.0%
Glass	3.1%	3.1%
Aluminum	1.0%	
Ferrous Metal	5.4%	
Non-Ferrous Metal	<u>1.3%</u>	<u>7.7%</u>
	58.3%	58%

MTWS Investigating processing possibilities to recover material from the loads prior to landfilling

#### " Back End Processing "

(Running material from the Garbage Truck over sort line to recover material)

### Factors Affecting Diversion Efforts in Los Altos

- Leakage of Construction Waste from MTWS System
- Change in Operation by Grocery Stores with Handling Their Waste Streams
- Commercial Establishments without space for Recycling Containers
- Multi-Family Complexes without space for Recycling Containers
- Home Owners Associations, Management Companies, Not allowing Full Utilization of Recycling Options for Individual Generators on Site
- Drought Conditions, Change in Landscape, Reduced Vegetation Generated for Diversion

### Next Steps Achieving 78% Diversion

- Enforcement of City's new Solid Waste and C&D Ordinances
- Backend processing of commercial MSW loads
- Additional technical assistance and public outreach

### Best Practice in Achieving High Diversion

- Overall, the City and MTWS are performing most of the best practices out there
  - Technical assistance to commercial/multifamily waste generators
- Processing of commercial garbage
  - Great way to get more diversion, especially from generators with challenges to source separation
  - Best practice is to still promote source separation for all generators

#### Best Practice in Achieving High Diversion (cont.)

- Main Opportunity areas to develop long-range high diversion plan
  - Evaluates and established overall goals and means to achieve high diversion
  - Engages stakeholders and community in the development of the plan, goals and strategies
  - Broader than current MTWS requirements, and goes beyond term of Franchise Agreement
  - Areas of focus could be:
    - Sorting of self-hauled materials
    - Identification of future programs and policies for consideration
    - > Reuse and other "highest and best use" strategies