REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

To:	Howard Levenson Deputy Director
From:	Cara Morgan Branch Chief
Request Date:	March 11, 2013
Decision Subject:	2007-2011 Jurisdiction Review Findings For The Household Hazardous Waste Element For The Following Jurisdictions: Calaveras County: Calaveras County Regional Agency; Fresno County: Firebaugh, Kingsburg; Inyo County: Inyo Regional Agency; Kern County: Ridgecrest, Wasco; Lake County: Clearlake; Los Angeles County: Compton, Downey, Gardena, Maywood; Mendocino County: Point Arena; Monterey County: Greenfield; Orange County: Cypress; Sacramento County: Rancho Cordova; Santa Barbara County: Guadalupe; Ventura County: Santa Paula
Action By:	April 16, 2013

Summary of Request:

A key component in maintaining the success of AB 939, the Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, is CalRecycle's role in overseeing how well cities and counties are implementing the diversion programs that they each have selected as part of their Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE) and Household Hazardous Waste Element (HHWE). This emphasis on program implementation was further codified by SB 1016 (Chapter 343, Statutes of 2008). Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 41825 requires CalRecycle to review each City, County, and Regional Agency SRRE and HHWE at least once every four years, and in some cases once every two years. The 2007-2011 Jurisdiction Review is CalRecycle's independent evaluation of each jurisdiction's progress in implementing its SRRE and HHWE programs and in meeting the AB 939 diversion requirement.

This Request for Approval addresses those jurisdictions (listed in the subject line of this item) that are currently or were under a compliance order for their Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE) programs during 2007-2011. Therefore, these jurisdictions are only subject to a review during this same timeframe of their Household Hazardous Waste Element (HHWE) programs. Implementation and maintenance of the HHWE programs ensures that household hazardous waste is properly collected and handled, thereby preventing impacts to the environment from improper disposal.

Staff has completed its 2007-2011 review of the HHWE programs for these jurisdictions in accordance with the Jurisdiction Review process approved in August 2001 and pursuant to SB

1016, in June 2010. Staff review included conducting site visits and verifying program information. Staff's analysis indicates that these jurisdictions have adequately complied with the requirements of PRC Section 41850 by successfully implementing household hazardous waste programs for the safe collection, recycling, treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes generated by the households within their respective jurisdictions. This request is for approval of the Review Cycle finding that there is adequate program implementation for the HHWEs for the jurisdictions listed above.

Recommendation:

Staff review indicates that these jurisdictions have adequately complied with the implementation requirements of PRC Section 41850 by successfully implementing their HHWE programs. Therefore, staff requests approval of the 2007-2011 Jurisdiction Review findings that there is adequate HHWE program implementation for the jurisdictions listed above.

Deputy Director Action:

On the basis of the information and analysis in this Request for Approval and the findings set out above, I hereby approve the HHWE Jurisdiction Review findings for the jurisdictions noted in the above decision subject.

Dated: 4/17/13

Howard Levenson

Howard Levenson, Deputy Director
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Attachment 1: Jurisdictions HHWE programs listing