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Update

on

ILLEGAL DUMPING ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE

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Task Force Charge

- Assess extent of illegal dumping
- Develop recommendations to enhance the effectiveness of local and state responses

Illegal Dumping Enforcement Task Force

- 22 member task force appointed in Feb 2006
- Participants represent:
 - Local governments
 - State and Federal agencies
 - Non-profit organizations
 - Waste management industry

IDETF Meeting Schedule

- First meeting - March 29, 2006
Overview of illegal dumping and identification of initial issues
- Second meeting – May 24, 2006
Discuss 26 issues; identify top six priorities
- Third meeting – September 14, 2006
Identify and prioritize final issues for IWMB Board Report

IDETF's Current Priority Issues

1. Waste hauler permits
2. Public education
3. Vehicle impoundment authority
4. Predisposal fees
5. Enforcement training
6. Funding for enforcement staff

Illegal Dumping Website Completed

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Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) Central

Illegal Dumping

Illegal dumping and littering are a major problem with significant social, environmental, and economic impacts for many jurisdictions in California. The amount of resources local jurisdictions spend annually on abating illegally dumped materials is estimated in the hundreds of millions of dollars, and private property owners also incur costs in cleaning up litter and waste materials deposited on their property.

Highlights...
 Learn about what the **Enforcement Task Force** is working on.

Illegal dumping is usually not handled as a solid waste issue, but more often as a nuisance/litter abatement effort. The nature, depth and effectiveness of local responses is highly variable. In some cases, local code enforcement has taken a major role, in other cases public works departments have taken a lead, and in other instances there has been little response. Local enforcement agencies (LEA) have typically focused more on permitting, inspection, and enforcement of regulated facilities and on [remediation and enforcement of known illegal disposal sites](#), but not on investigative activities related to illegal dumping.

Public Resources Code charges the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) with the responsibility and authority to investigate, remediate and enforce illegal solid waste disposal sites. The Penal Code (Sections 370-374) defines both littering and illegal dumping and defines violations as being punishable by an infraction or misdemeanor,

Illegal Dumping Cost Survey Underway

- Joint project with CSAC, League of California Cities and CIWMB
- Surveys sent to County Administrators and City Managers
- Data requested by June 28, 2006
- Initial data

IDETF CURRENT CURRENTS

- Outreach meetings with county and city staff and task forces
- Discussion of identified issues
- Identification of additional issues
- Completion of illegal dumping cost survey
- Add web links to local codes and regs
- Formulating content of Board Report



Questions?