TAC: Edible Food Recovery Subcommittee Meeting

Date: Monday, September 13, 2021: 10:00- 12:00 p.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting Click here to join the meeting
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Agenda

1. **Welcome and introductions**   INFO
   a. Polina Osipova (City of San Diego), Jeanne Patton (City of San Diego), Dave Didonato (City of Chula Vista), Ofelia Andrade (City of Coronado), Amelia Dominguez (City of Poway), Avecita Jones (City of Carlsbad), Alyssa Wagner (City of Carlsbad), Hilary Ego (City of La Mesa), Heather Heckman (City of Santee), Annika Andersen (City of Oceanside), Rimga Viskanta (City of Solana Beach), Christian Olivas (City of Lemon Grove), Sara Marshall (City of El Cajon), Wbaldo Arellano (City of Imperial Beach), Roberta Goldenpenny (CalRecycle), Ashlee Stratakis (City of Encinitas), Haley Aumiller (CalRecycle), Malia Helm (CalRecycle), Mallory Burden (CalRecycle), Alexis Arenz (CalRecycle), Kayla Thomson (San Diego Food Bank), Geertje Grootenhuis (San Diego Food System Alliance), Sarah Feteih (San Diego Food System Alliance), Nita Gilson (ProduceGood), Alex White (ProduceGood), Tyla Soylu (Ekolojik), Kerri Kolarik (Feeding San Diego), Kate Garrett (Feeding San Diego), Patty O'Connor (Feeding San Diego), Mallika Sen (Solana Center), Jackie Bookstein (Solana Center), Karen Clay (I Love to Glean), Michelle Kearney (I Love a Clean San Diego), Amanda Carson(San Diego Food Bank), Claire Moss (County of San Diego – PDS), Vanessa Mello (County of San Diego – DEHQ), Stephanie Ewalt (County of San Diego), Natalia King (County of San Diego), Caitlin Lelles (County of San Diego)

2. ~~Review of the July meeting minutes (skipped)~~   INFO

3. **Public Comments & Communications** (*Guests who wish to speak on a matter*   INFO
   that does not appear on the agenda may do so during this period)
   a. None

4. **SB 1383 – Rollout roundtable**   INFO +
   a. Regional edible food organization webinar – Thursday Oct 7, 2-3pm.   Discussion
      i.   Intended to educate food recovery organizations (FROs) about the upcoming survey and how SB 1383 may affect them.
      ii. Webinar will be recorded. SDFSA to collect questions from FROs and report back to TAC and TAC EFR.
   b. Regional edible food org survey –
      i.   Specific to capacity planning and what the FRO landscape is in our region looks like.
      ii. Jurisdiction + County roles in survey

   1. County will distribute survey, hoping jurisdictions can assist with follow up.
   2. County will collect the information from the survey, and provide each city their information for analysis. Analysis due back to the County to be passed on to CalRecycle.
 c. Capacity planning checklists for jurisdictions – County review + questions
 d. Capacity planning questions from 9/2 presentation – discussion
 e. DEHQ Inspector Training
  i. Sept 23 – to understand SB 1383 requirements.
  ii. DEHQ expecting to field questions regarding SB 1383.
 f. Tier 1 & 2 – Questions & Discussion about grey area criteria
  i. Discussion about identifying specific generator types. Please see Google Doc for updates.
  ii. Strip malls are not malls (per CalRecycle verbal guidance)
  iii. Discussion regarding inclusion of "grey area" Tier 1 and 2 facilities. Including them now could inflate the amount of potentially edible food, potentially increasing the gap in edible food recovery capacity.
  iv. Suggestion not to include these facilities until more CalRecycle guidance is released and a definitive decision is made.
  v. To get square footage info: Use of Google Maps measure tool (Google Maps Pro shows area without having to do math) and real estate listings. Can also look up "address + square footage" and Loopnet will tell you square footage (beware of combined strip mall/shared spaces).
  vi. Most jurisdictions are not currently performing site visits, relying on phone/email to determine Tier 1 or 2 status.

5. **SB 1383 – Public Education Resources**   INFO +
 a. Food generator training video –   Discussion
  i. Steve Weihe (County of San Diego) is working with County videographer to create this video intended for the whole County. Aiming for Oct/Nov release. DEHQ is also involved to encourage food donation and discuss liability.
 b. CalRecycle Pub Ed Campaign – update from CalRecycle (if any)
  i. CalRecycle will reach out to City of San Diego and County of San Diego for feedback and vetting of materials. Will then rollout to all jurisdictions once complete.
 c. *Save The Food, San Diego!* Campaign – update from SDFSA
  i. Building a website as a centralized resource with a focus on residential and businesses. Aiming for early-2022 release.
  ii. Recently launched social media accounts (Facebook, Instagram), and will be hiring an intern to manage.
  iii. Champions Toolkit Sign Up

    d. Other resources to share - none

6. Grants & funding
    a. CA Climate Fellows – free to jurisdictions.
    b. CivicSpark - $30,000 per fellow (equals 2/3 of the funding).
    c. ARPA funding from the County Board of Supervisors for food recovery. Refer to email from Geertje on 6/8 for breakdown of overall projects and total funding. TBD on how funds will be distributed (which departments, will there be grants, etc.).

7. News & Events - none

8. Roundtable   INFO +
    a. CalRecycle asking to peer share SB 1383 and edible food recovery   Discussion
        resources.
        i.   City of Carlsbad currently creating outreach they are happy to share once complete (anticipated before Jan 2022). Handouts include SB 1383 overview and how to sign up with a food recovery organization.
    b. CalRecycle note that ultimately the edible food recovery agreement is the responsibility of the FRO, questioning if SDFSA or the food banks will share templates for smaller organizations.
        i.   SDFSA working with Oceanside to create something to this effect.
        ii.   Food banks also have templates they can share, but note that each agreement will have to be customized to the FRO and generator.

9. Adjournment
    *Upcoming meeting **October 12**, 2021 – 10 am – 12 pm*
    Date changed due to Oct 11 holiday

SB 1383 Food Donation & Recovery Resources

Resource	By
Guidance Document for identifying Tier 1 & 2 generators	CalRecycle
Model tools (franchise agreement, edible food recovery agreement)	CalRecycle
Capacity Planning for Jurisdictions	CalRecycle
County of San Diego Edible Food Disposal Tool	County
Tier 1 & 2 Criteria for Grey Areas	County