Resource Conservation Council Meeting

Thursday, February 2, 2016
Agenda Items

- FY 2016-2017 Materials Management Call for Projects Results and Recommendation
- Regional Drug Take-back Pilot Project Next Steps
- Future Committee Structure
- NCTCOG Staff Project Updates
  - Upcoming Events and Conferences
  - Legislative Updates
FY 2016-2017 Materials Management Call for Projects Results and Recommendations

Presenter: Brenda Haney
New Grant Application and Scoring Process

- $1,300,438 available for implementation projects
- Partial funding offered
- Online grant application
  - 24 complete applications received
  - Total request amount of $2,188,683.87
- Two day scoring process by Grant Scoring Subcommittee
  - All applicants provided a 5 minute presentation of their project
## Recommended Projects for Funding

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<th>Rank</th>
<th>Entity</th>
<th>Project Title</th>
<th>Requested Amount</th>
<th>Committee Recommended Funding Amount</th>
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<td>City of Denton</td>
<td>Purchase Slow Speed Shredder and High Speed Grinder for Landfill Mining Operations.</td>
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<td>Environmental Education and Analysis for Illegal Dumping Enforcement</td>
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<td>City of Richardson*</td>
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<td>City of Lancaster*</td>
<td>Litter and Illegal Dumping Cleanups/Education</td>
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**Total Recommended Funding Amount**

$1,286,002.19

*Indicates partial funding
Recommendation for Remaining Funds

- $14,435.81 of grant funding remaining
- Recommend NCTCOG Managed Project for Special Event Recycling
  - Purchase of ClearStream bins and bags for local government special event recycling.
  - Available first to cities that requested funding for Big Bellys that were not awarded grants
Regional Drug Take-Back Pilot Project
Next Steps

Presenter: Kathy Fonville
Current Challenges with Drug Disposal

▪ As a temporary measure, since 2010 the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) has annually sponsored only two take-back days per year.

Regional Solutions

▪ Outreach and education
  ▪ Ongoing efforts through NCTCOG committees (WATER, Solid Waste)
  ▪ Industry (Hospital, substance abuse coalitions, etc.)
Ongoing Regional Efforts

**PREVENT CLOGS & PREVENT PIPE DAMAGE.**

**Fats, Oils & Grease**
Fats, oils and grease will harden in your pipes or the city sewer lines, and could cause a sewer backup either in your home or neighborhood. Fats, oils...

**Cleaning Products**
While it’s OK for small amounts of household chemicals to go down the drain—no more than about a cup—large amounts of these chemicals should not be...

**Paint & Pesticides**
Leftover paint, insecticides, herbicides and paint remover can be hazardous, and they should not be disposed of by way of your household plumbing...

**Medicines**
If you put medicines such as antibiotics, antidepressants, vitamins or pain medications down the drain or into the toilet, they end up in the water supply because...
Regional Drug Take-Back Outreach

- NCTCOG was approached by two cities in our region to manage a proposed **Drug Take-Back pilot project**
  - Over 25 entities expressed interest in participating
- NCTCOG did not meet deadline for competitive grant application for project funding
- Proper disposal of medications is a cross-cutting issue with diverse group of stakeholders including:
  - Police Departments
  - Water Departments
  - Doctors and other Healthcare Professionals
  - Solid Waste/Landfills
  - Pharmacies
- Initial workshop/roundtable discussion as next step
Future Committee Structure

Presenter: Sandra Barba
Proposed Modifications to Sub-Committees

RCC Committee
Will remain NCTCOG’s SWAC

Grant Selection Committee
Will meet to decide grant funding priorities; scoring; and fund distribution

Conformance Review
Will review applications that are currently handled by ACT committee

Planning for Sustainable Materials Management Plan
Will assist in updating the RSWMP; provide input on surveys; tracking methods; data collection; status of implementation; identify regional priorities
Regional Project Updates

Presenter: Soria Adibi
Legislative Items

- EPA proposed rulemaking on reducing emissions from existing municipal waste landfills
  - Link: [http://www3.epa.gov/ttn/atw/landfill/landflpg.html](http://www3.epa.gov/ttn/atw/landfill/landflpg.html)

- PATH Act extended tax credits for alternative fuels including compressed natural gas (CNG) through 2016
  - Includes facilities that produce certain renewable resources such as landfills
  - Permanently extends incentives for charitable contributions of “wholesome food” for non-corporate business tax payers

- Deadline to submit proposals to TCEQ for the Study on the Economic Impacts of Recycling was December 18, 2015.
Packaging Recycling Project

- After the June 2015 Texas Packaging Recycling Summit, a planning team was formed consisting of NCTCOG, STAR, EPA, TCEQ, and the Carton Council to address issues surrounding packaging recycling.
- Collaborative process of four work groups to advance packaging recycling:
  - Education/Messaging
  - Existing Policy
  - End markets
  - Infrastructure
- Work groups will convene together as a whole group at the second Packaging Summit to be held in July 2016 to share findings, conclusions and next steps.
NCTCOG is seeking cities, municipally owned utilities, or electric cooperatives interested in exploring opportunities for utilizing brownfields or landfills for community solar or other solar energy system activities.