



Board Summary Report

To: Board of Directors
From: Lanae Raymond, WQ Program & Special Projects Program Manager
Date: December 13, 2011
Re: 2012 HHW and Recycling Services to Support MS4 Permit
Board Meeting Date: December 28, 2011

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Purpose and Recommendation

SEMSWA Board of Directors authorizes funds and executes a contract for household hazardous waste (HHW) and recycling services each year to support SEMSWA and Arapahoe County's MS4 Permit Program #3, Illicit Discharge, Detection and Elimination. It is estimated that HHW and recycling collection services in 2012 will be \$55,000. The purpose of this Board Summary Report is to recommend the authorization of \$55,000 in funds for the purpose stated above and the execution of Contract Addendum No. 5 with WMCurbside, Inc for 2012 HHW and recycling collection services.

Background

As a component of SEMSWA's and County's MS4 Stormwater Quality permits, Program 3, Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination, requires a program to assist residents of the MS4 communities with options for disposal or recycling of HHW, including automobile fluids, used landscape chemicals, fluorescent tubes, leftover paint, and the like. An analysis of HHW disposal and recycling options available indicate that a "curbside" pickup option is the best overall program for managing HHW in unincorporated Arapahoe County and the City, and to meet program requirements in SEMSWA's MS4 permit. SEMSWA utilizes WM Curbside, Inc. to provide this 'At-Your-Door' pickup service, and has since April 1, 2007. There are no other curbside pick-up collection contractors supplying this service in the Denver metro area at this time, to staff's knowledge.

New for 2012, at no additional cost to SEMSWA, WM Curbside has added an "e-waste" pickup program. Residents can dispose of either one complete home computer system, including monitor, keyboard and hard drive/server, or a single television.

Discussion

The 2012 budget process identified a continuing trend of high utilization of the WM Curbside HHW "At-Your-Door" collection services, primarily because of on-going education, and our goal of continuing this as an annual program with a set amount of HHW and recycling items being collected each year from a resident, enough to fit in one bag, rather than an infrequently used program that experiences widely varying and unknown amounts of HHW and recyclables. The service price point for this permit program component has been established at \$55,000, which equates to approximately 600 collections/year.

Alternative

The SEMSWA Board could make the determination that a smaller budget for HHW and recycling services is appropriate for the annual expenditure supporting the permit's Program 3 component and suspend collections in the later months of 2012 when funds are depleted and re-commence the collections in January 2013 when new funds are available.

Fiscal Impacts

The WQ Program budget includes a \$55,000 line item for the HHW and recycling program.

Concurrence

Discussions with Dave Agee, Finance Director, and John McCarty, Executive Director, supported the WQ Program budget recommendation of \$55,000 for HHW and recycling collection services.