

SEASWA

Southeast Alaska Solid Waste Authority

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Southeast Conference Annual Meeting
Ketchikan, Alaska



Introductions:

SEASWA Board of Directors

- Karl Hagerman, Petersburg – Chair
- Carl Johnson, Wrangell – Vice Chair
- Gail Slentz, Craig – Secretary
- Wayne Benner, Thorne Bay
- Leslie Isaacs, Klawock



SEASWA Background

- Regional Solid Waste Management Authority Act passed in 2006.
- SEC and the Environment Committee played large part in formation of SEASWA in 2009.
- Current members include Craig, Klawock, Petersburg, Thorne Bay and Wrangell.



SEASWA: Goals

- To provide environmentally sound and cost-effective management of solid waste on a regional level.
- To protect the public health, safety and welfare.
- To improve the environment within its boundaries.
- To recover resources and energy as practical.
- To reduce pollution.



SEASWA Objectives

- Long Term
 - Develop a project or projects that will meet the goals of the Authority.
 - Increase SEASWA membership to provide a truly regional collaboration for solid waste management.
- Short Term
 - Hire an Executive Director to assist the Board of Directors in reaching its goals.



Progress Report: Project Research

- SEASWA has completed a regional resources survey, a landfill development cost estimation model and an evaluation of Wrangell's Incineration Study.
- SEASWA initiated an RFQ/RFP process to gauge qualifications and interest of solid waste companies to provide services to SE AK.

Progress Report:

Request for Qualifications Process

- Request for Qualifications distributed in Spring of 2011.
 - 29 responses received!
 - The top three companies that were selected by the Board are the three largest solid waste companies in our nation: Allied Waste, Waste Connections and Waste Management.
 - The top three selections were invited to participate in a more detailed Request for Proposal process.



Progress Report:

Request for Proposals Process

- RFP focused on specific project proposals.
- Proposal deadline is October 19, 2011.
- SEASWA Board will conduct a detailed evaluation process that may include individual interviews with the respondent's representatives.
- Selection of the top proposal by December 1, 2011.



Progress Report:

Project Development Plan

- At the conclusion of the RFP process, the Board must select a preferred Project to bring to reality.
- The Project must adhere to the SEASWA Enabling Ordinance requirement of unanimous support of its Project Development Plan.
- Once support is garnered from each Authority Member's governing body – project specific fund raising will commence and the project will begin to become real.

Progress Report:

Get Involved!

- As the Board nears a decision point – it is important for us to hear your input.
- Get involved, share your viewpoint and let us know what will work for your community.
- There has never been a greater chance of a regional solid waste project succeeding – let's make it happen!



Progress Report: Authority Membership

- Membership is growing.
- Now is the time to get involved and have a vote on the direction of the Authority.
- Member communities continue to be sought and as project momentum increases the board expects that more communities will see the up side of joining the Authority.



Progress Report:

Executive Director to be Sought

- 2011 Legislative Grant has enabled the Board to continue with research, but also to seek staff support in the form of an Executive Director.
- A job description is being developed by the Board and applicants will soon be sought to fill this important position.



Regional Notes: CBJ Recycling

- The Juneau Assembly is getting involved in the solid waste world.
- Jim Penor, CBJ Solid Waste Coordinator, is helping lead the City and Borough to a comprehensive recycling program.
- Capital Disposal Inc. was selected as the winning proposer to supply Juneau with the facilities and resources to implement the program.
- SEASWA fully supports CBJ's actions to reduce, reuse and recycle within their local waste stream.



SEASWA Board Meetings

- Next meeting: Tomorrow, Wednesday, September 14, in the Cape Fox Conference Room, 11:00 am.
- Monthly meetings by teleconference, third Friday of each month at 10am.
- Any interested person is encouraged to call in and see what is happening and provide their insight and input to the Board.
- Contact any Board member for more information.



Thank you

- Questions?