



DATE: January 22, 2025

TO: Waste Management Authority (WMA) Board

FROM: Timothy Burroughs, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Appointing members to the Recycling Board

SUMMARY

Staff requests that the WMA Board fill two vacancies on the Recycling Board. Board member Mike Hannon, City of Newark, is now serving as the alternate to the WMA Board and is therefore ineligible to serve on the Recycling Board, and Board member Fred Simon, City of San Leandro, no longer serves on the WMA Board.

DISCUSSION

The vacancies represent two of the five appointments to the Recycling Board made by the WMA Board. Currently, WMA members Tracy Jensen, David Mourra, and Jeff Wang, serve in the other three positions. The County Charter limits each member to two consecutive terms. Each term is for two years, and Board members may not serve for more than two terms or for more than one term if not followed by a consecutive term. In addition, according to the Charter, a Board member appointed to serve out the remainder of a term that was being served by a former Board member, such as is the case with Board members Hannon and Simon, may be reappointed for one additional full two-year term.

Any WMA member (but not an alternate) may serve on the Recycling Board so long as they have not served previously.

Current WMA members eligible to serve are:

1. David Haubert, Alameda County
2. Jennifer Hansen-Romero, Albany
3. Jean Josey, Dublin
4. Yang Shao, Fremont
5. Ben Barrientos, Livermore
6. Matthew Jorgens, Newark
7. Rita Duncan, Oro Loma Sanitary District
8. Lorrel Plimier, Piedmont
9. Xouhoa Bowen, San Leandro

Current WMA members ineligible to serve because they have served previously are:

1. Dave Sadoff, Castro Valley Sanitary District
2. Francisco Zermeño, Hayward

The Recycling Board meets the second Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. or 6 p.m. Meetings are held either at StopWaste's offices or as noted otherwise. Schedule and location of meetings are distributed at the beginning of each calendar year. A Recycling Board FAQ is attached for reference.

If the WMA Board fails to make appointments to the Recycling Board within two months, authority to make the appointments would transfer to the County Board of Supervisors, in cooperation with a double majority of the cities, per Section 64.130 D.6 of the County Charter.

The Board may wish to consider geographic diversity of the appointments. However, there is no requirement for geographic diversity.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the WMA Board fill the vacancies on the Recycling Board.