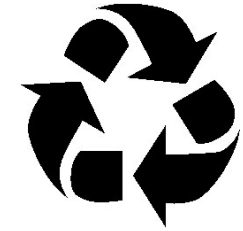


# Solid Waste Rates Fiscal Year 2009/2010



Resource Recovery &  
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# Solid Waste Rates

- Tipping fees at County facilities
- Collection rates charged by franchisees
- Cuyama Valley parcel fees

# Tipping Fees

- Municipal solid waste (trash)
- Recyclables
- Commercial hazardous waste



# Municipal Solid Waste

- Reflect adjustments proposed in multi-year cash flow evaluation and Reserve Policy adopted by your Board in June 2007
- Tajiguas Landfill: \$59.50 - \$63.50 per ton
- South Coast Recycle & Transfer Station: \$71.00 - \$73.00 per ton
- Santa Ynez Recycle & Transfer Station: \$62.00-\$67.00 per ton

# Recyclables

- Rates were developed or modified to encourage recycling of certain materials including
  - Clean wood
  - Clean metal
  - Clean drywall
  - Clean rubble

# Recent Economic Impacts

- People are generating less trash than anticipated (6% decrease in tonnage buried from last year)
- Value from the sale of recyclable commodities has decreased

# Cost Savings – Tajiguas Landfill

- Evaluated customer use of Tajiguas
- Hours of operation at Tajiguas are being reduced Mon – Fri
- Closing facility to public on Saturdays
- Able to restructure shifts to allow staff to conduct on-site projects typically awarded to contractors

## Cost Savings – New Cuyama

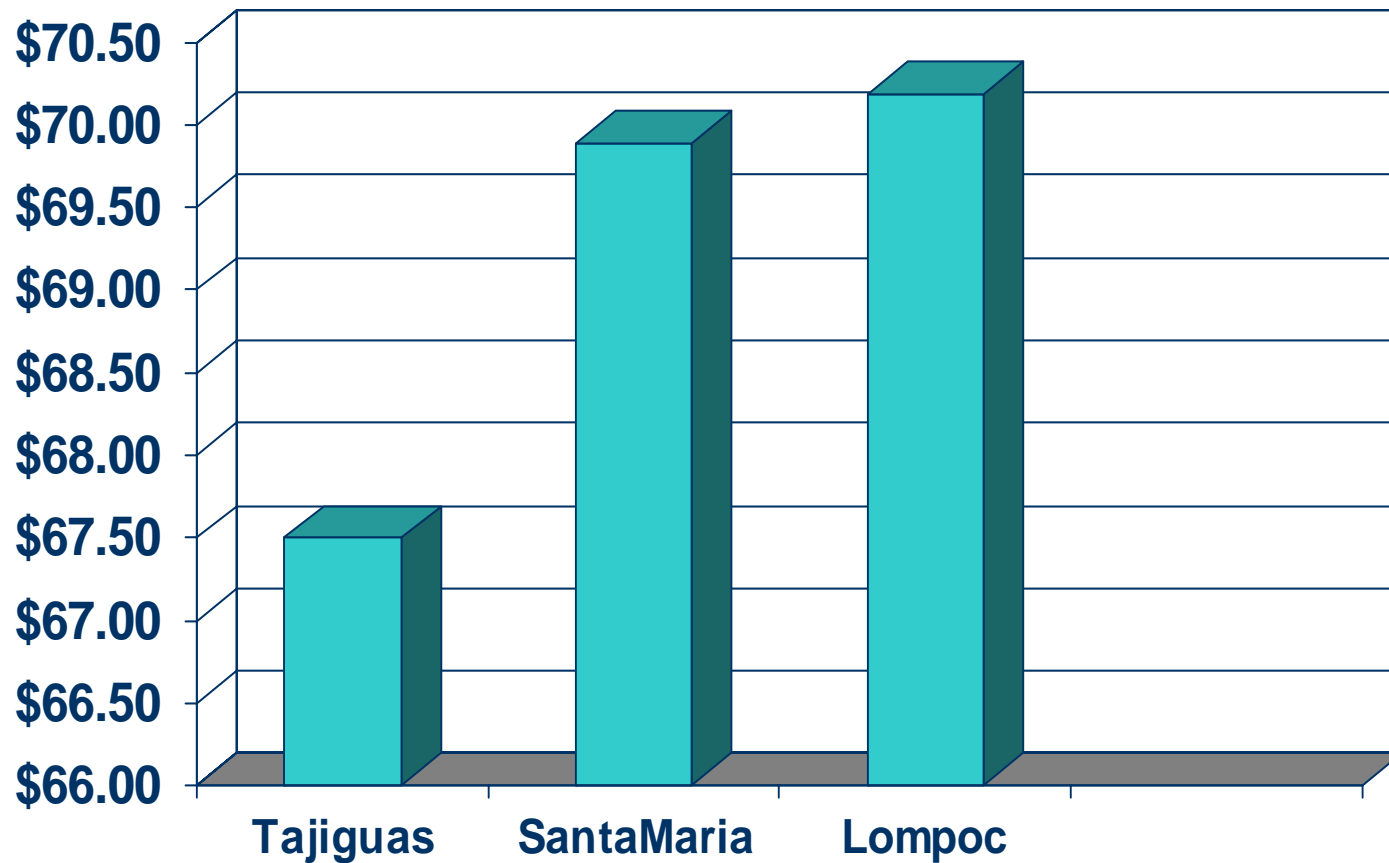
- New Cuyama curbside collection service and transfer stations are serviced by MarBorg
- Staff approached MarBorg on what cost savings could be implemented
- MarBorg making significant changes taking advantage of freed up equipment
- Savings of \$54,175 per year



# Commingled Recycling

- Regional recycling program provided to South Coast communities
- Value of recyclable commodities decreased in Fall '08 (slight increase in recent months)
- Forecasted loss next year
- Regional partners (City of SB and Goleta) approved one-year subsidy to keep infrastructure intact
- \$4 per ton surcharge on all trash rates on South Coast
- Rebidding processing contract on South Coast
- Need for surcharge evaluated next year

# 2009/2010 Landfill Tipping Fees



## Commercial Hazardous Waste Rates

- Small businesses allowed to use hazardous waste collection center housed at UCSB
- Available on Fridays by appointment
- Fees charged but have not increased fees in 4 years

## Proposed Rates

- Facility Use Fee \$22 to \$23.50 (7%)
- Paint no change
- Used Motor Oil no change
- Industrial Chemicals \$3.85/lb to \$4.00/lb (4%)
- Mercury \$12.50/lb to \$13/lb (4%)
- Rates still below market price to encourage the appropriate management of hazardous waste

# Franchise Collection Rates

Residential &  
Commercial



# Franchise collection rates

- Rates change due to:
  - CPI increase pursuant to agreements
  - Change in disposal rates
  - Clean Air compliance partial reimbursement

# Collection Rates

- Franchisees receive CPI increase on collection portion of the rate (0%)
- Calculated using U.S. Department of Labor Los Angeles-Riverside CPI



# Collection rates

- Changes in disposal rates:
  - Rate increase at Tajiguas Landfill
  - Recycling surcharge at Tajiguas Landfill
  - No change in Santa Maria and Lompoc landfill rates



# Collection Rates

- Clean Air requirements
  - Trash trucks must meet new diesel emission requirements
  - County agreed to reimburse haulers for half of their cost over 3 years
  - This is 2<sup>nd</sup> of 3 years and surcharge will be eliminated after the 3<sup>rd</sup> year

# Impact to Customer

- Residential rates:
  - Santa Ynez and South Coast  
1-3% or an average of \$.63/mo
- Commercial rates:
  - Santa Ynez and South Coast  
4.5 – 5% (\$ amt depends on service level)



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# Cuyama Valley

Parcel Fees

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# Cuyama Valley Parcel Fees

- Assessed on annual property tax to pay for operation of New Cuyama & Ventucopa transfer stations
- Fee of \$77 per single family dwelling
- Staff recommends no change in fee – change would be subject to Prop 218

# Staff Recommendations

- Adopt proposed fee schedule for County facilities and franchised collection rates
- Adopt proposed parcel fee schedule for Cuyama Valley



**Thank You**

