

**MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY SERVICES
COUNTY OF PLACER**

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **APRIL 29, 2008**

From: *JD* **JAMES DURFEE / WILL DICKINSON** *W.D.*

Subject: **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENTS – COLFAX AND FORESTHILL**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize the Chairman to sign an Agreement with 21st Century Environmental Management Inc. of Nevada to conduct one-day Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection events in the Colfax and Foresthill areas.

BACKGROUND: Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) includes such items as paint, pesticides, herbicides and other household chemicals. HHW constitutes a public health hazard and a threat to the environment, and cannot be disposed of as part of residential household waste. Residents and small businesses in Placer County have the opportunity to dispose of HHW at permanent facilities located near Lincoln and Truckee. However, the locations of these facilities are not convenient to those in the Colfax and Foresthill areas. To provide these areas with a convenient opportunity to dispose of HHW, the County has conducted annual one-day HHW collection events in the Colfax and Foresthill areas since 2006. The events are free for Placer County residents; small businesses are charged a fee.

21st Century Environmental Management Inc. of Nevada is on the 2007 Qualified List (Number 9672) and conducted the one-day HHW collection events in 2007. Based on their experience, performance at prior events, staff availability, attentive project management and competitive pricing (no increase in rates over 2007), staff believes that 21st Century Environmental Management Inc. is the best qualified firm to conduct the 2008 events.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: Staff has determined that this project is not subject to environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines that states, "by the general rule CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment."

FISCAL IMPACT: The cost for providing the services defined in the Agreement is estimated at \$40,000 per event for a total of \$80,000. The actual cost will vary depending on the number of participants and the quantity and type of wastes collected. Costs associated with the collection of wastes from small businesses will be paid for by the businesses that drop off the waste at the events. Sufficient funds for the Agreement are available in the FY 2007/2008 Solid Waste Management Budget.

AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT THE CLERK OF THE BOARD: AGREEMENT / 21ST CENTURY ENV. MANAGEMENT INC. OF NEVADA

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