

RESOLUTION NO.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A BUSINESS RECOGNITION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, California Assembly Bill 939, known as the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, mandated that every city and county divert from landfills fifty percent (50%) of their municipal solid waste stream by year 2000; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 1992, the Board of Supervisors approved the formation of the El Dorado Solid Waste Advisory Committee (EDSWAC), which was established, in part, to monitor and evaluate the planning and effectiveness of programs implemented to meet Assembly Bill 939 and the solid waste objectives set forth and defined in the County's Integrated Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, California Assembly Bill 32, known as the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, in an effort to reduce the amount of organic material sent to landfills, established a comprehensive program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from all sources throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2006, the California Integrated Waste Management Board, now the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), recognized the County of El Dorado as the first rural county to achieve fifty percent (50%) diversion; and

WHEREAS, California Assembly Bill 341, known as California's Mandatory Commercial Recycling Law, was signed by the Governor of California on October 5, 2011 and set a statewide goal of seventy-five percent (75%) of all solid waste be diverted from landfills through source reduction, recycling, or composting by year 2020, and requires all businesses that generate four (4) cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste per week to reuse or recycle, in an effort to increase diversion of waste from landfills and thereby reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2012, the Board of Supervisors approved the County's Solid Waste Management Plan, which included a County-wide goal of seventy-five percent (75%) diversion from landfills, and authorized the County's Environmental Management Department to implement the strategies identified therein; and

WHEREAS, California Assembly Bill 1826, known as Mandatory Commercial Organics Recycling (MORe), was signed by the Governor of California on September 28, 2014 establishing implementation phases over time for the program, including but not limited to the following: required businesses to recycle their organic waste based on the amount and type of waste the business generates on a weekly basis; and on and after January 1, 2016, directed that local jurisdictions across the State implement organic waste recycling programs to divert organic waste generated by business, including multifamily residential dwellings that consist of five (5) or more units; and as updated on January 1, 2017, required businesses that generate four (4) cubic yards or more of organic waste recycling services; and with full implementation of organic waste recycling services by January 1, 2019 for businesses that generate four (4) cubic yards or more of commercial solid waste; and

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WHEREAS, EDSWAC is recommending the development and implementation of a business recognition program for businesses within the County that have implemented recycling, reuse, or reduction of waste practices that help contribute to the countywide goal of 75% diversion of solid waste from landfilling.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado authorizes the Environmental Management Department to develop and implement a business recognition program to formally recognize businesses within the County that have implemented recycling, reuse, or reduction of waste practices that meet or exceed established criteria and contribute to the countywide goal of 75% diversion of solid waste from landfilling.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Environmental Management Department shall report annually to the Board of Supervisors those businesses that have been recognized by the County pursuant to this Business Recognition Program.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the _____ day of ______, 20__, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest: James S. Mitrisin Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Ayes: Noes: Absent:

By: _____

Deputy Clerk

Chair, Board of Supervisors