

City of San Diego
Long-Term Resource Management Options – Strategic Plan
Resource Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) Newsletter –
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Since the economic downturn last year, the City has been grappling with how best to proceed with Phase II of the Strategic Plan. After many discussions, a path forward has been determined, and we'd like to bring you up to speed on what is happening.

The Phase I Report has been completed and provides a snapshot of the solid waste system demands and capacity for the City of San Diego and the San Diego region. The report includes projected solid waste generation and the effect of that on our system demands, the health of ESD's operating funds, the regulatory and policy issues impacting solid waste planning, the process by which options were developed and screened during Phase I, and the discussions and stakeholder process conducted with the Resource Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) members. The Phase I Report, on CD, will be mailed to RMAC members and will also be posted on the ESD website, www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/geninfo/lwmo.shtml.

The Phase I Report will be presented at the October 7, 2009 Natural Resources & Culture Committee meeting. The meeting will be held in the Council Committee Room, 12th floor of the City Administration Building located at 202 C Street, San Diego CA. The meeting will begin at 2:00 P.M. All RMAC members and interested parties are welcome to attend. Attached is a copy of the Report to the Natural Resources & Culture Committee referencing this item.

The Long Term Resources Management Options Strategic Plan, Phase II, is about to begin. Phase II will evaluate potential programs and policies including zero waste programs, and infrastructure options to optimize disposal capacity at Miramar. In addition, Phase II will evaluate what roles(s) the City should have in performing the solutions to address the City's future solid waste management needs.

To support Phase II efforts, the RMAC is tentatively scheduled to meet on November 4, 2009 at 2:30 – 5:00 PM. Please "save the date." The RMAC will continue to provide valuable input in reviewing various resource management system scenarios.

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