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## Policy:

The city and county share of revenue collected by the Riverside County Waste Resources Management District (WRMD) designated for Code Enforcement and Abandoned Vehicle Abatement shall be distributed as follows:

- 1. Each City wishing to participate in revenue of that portion of the tipping fee related to Abandoned Vehicle Abatement must also participate in the joint City-County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority. Any City not currently participating in the Authority will be eligible for revenue sharing upon verification of application for inclusion in the Authority.
- 2. Funds for Abandoned Vehicle Abatement will be disbursed from WRMD management tipping fees only as a reimbursement for actual costs in excess of those funded through the joint City-County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement program.
- **3.** For code enforcement programs related to graffiti, litter or illegal dumping, each city will provide copies of pertinent city ordinances and a Code Enforcement Program including, but not limited to, disposal and enforcement strategies, cost recovery strategies, contractual agreements and fiscal controls. This information will be provided to the Riverside County Transportation Land Management Agency, Department of Building and Safety.
- 4. Upon review and acceptance of the city program by the County Director of Building and Safety, a city will be eligible to receive its share of revenue based on proportional population of the city not to exceed the maximum amounts shown on Exhibit A as may be revised from time to time based on the latest available California Department of Finance population figures. Reimbursement shall include all reasonable expenses to remove graffiti, illegal dumping or littering including tipping fees paid for same to the District.
- 5. The County share of code enforcement revenue shall be used for either abandoned vehicle abatement charges, in excess of those funded through the joint City-County Abandoned Vehicle Abatement program, or for graffiti and litter related code enforcement activities. These activities may include the establishment and implementation of a multi-departmental team to provide coordinated countywide enforcement. The countywide team shall include at a minimum the departments of Building and Safety, County Counsel, Environmental Health, Fire, Sheriff and WRMD.
- 6. The countywide team will develop procedures to facilitate broad code enforcement activities and work to eliminate duplication of investigation and abatement efforts. However, the departments participating on the countywide team may submit claims to WRMD that have been reviewed by the county director of Building and Safety

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only for reimbursement of activities relating to enforcement of codes which involve removal of graffiti, illegal litter or dumping or which have a clear nexus to trash or litter removal, exclusive of removal of hazardous waste. The team will also recommend revisions to ordinances to avoid duplication and overlapping responsibilities.

- 7. The county director of Building and Safety or designee will provide oversight of the countywide team effort and will prepare an annual report to the Board of Supervisors relating to the effectiveness of these code enforcement efforts.
- 8. Tipping fees left unclaimed by a city, or unused by the county shall be returned to the WRMD for general operations to help reduce future tipping fees charges to all customers.
- **9.** Volunteer groups involved in graffiti, litter or trash abatement efforts may be authorized reimbursement of actual costs for basic supplies and fifty percent (50%) matching funds for the purchase of equipment used in abating graffiti, litter or trash in unincorporated areas of the county. Labor costs are not eligible for reimbursement.
- **10.** Reimbursements to volunteer groups will be funded from the county's 50% share of revenue from the code enforcement element of the landfill tipping fee. A total of \$2,000 per Supervisorial District shall be made available annually for this purpose.
- **11.** Requests for reimbursement will be submitted to the county director of Building and Safety, on a quarterly basis, for review and approval prior to submission to the WRMD for actual payment to the volunteer group.
- **12.** The Code Enforcement Division shall establish procedures to validate the efforts of volunteer groups requesting reimbursement for graffiti, litter of trash abatement efforts and insure that such groups are advised to respect the rights of private property owners and instructed to comply with all applicable laws.

Reference: Minute Order 3.8 of 09/14/93 Minute Order 3.25 of 02/27/96 (Page 2 revised: 5/23/96) Minute Order 3.3 of 04/10/07