

TO: Attendees and Contacts

FROM: Jere Melo

SUBJECT: Meeting Summary, Potential Biomass Plant near Fort Bragg
Friday, May 30, 2008

DATE: June 2, 2008

The meeting was called to order about 9:35 AM, and it concluded about 11:15 AM. Attending were George Reinhart, Craig Blencowe, Stephen Levesque, Jim Hurst, Robert Simpson, Harold Sipila, David Yeomans and Jere Melo.

Under agenda review, George Reinhart asked that he be given time to discuss various alternative technologies, and that was added to Item 5.

Under review of the time line from the Carlson report, the group agreed that the May/June item listed to gain support in concept from the site owner, timber and mill owners, park district, local PG&E and county government agencies had been achieved.

On the agenda was written information requested from the April meeting: (1) No information could be located for “redevelopment zones”, but there are “redevelopment agencies” that may be created by local governments; and, (2) A reference was provided about the California Association of Enterprise Zones; and, (3) A reference was provided about recycling credits through the California Integrated Waste Management Board. Copies of the letter to Marc Jameson at Jackson Forest were also provided.

Robert Simpson reported that he had contacted a RENEGY representative several times during the month, each time getting assurance of attendance. At about 1:00 AM, on the day of the meeting, Bob got an e-mail that the representative was in British Columbia and unable to attend. Summarized, the following matters were discussed, and assignments were made:

- Stephen Levesque was asked to contact Steve Jolley from Marubeni and to **invite a presentation at the June meeting.**
- Craig Blencowe was asked to represent the RCD and to **request that Mr. Carlson provide a list and qualifications of potential power plant investors/operators** for review at the next meeting.
- Stephen Levesque indicated that Hawthorne Timber may be interested in the investment necessary to establish a small sawmill.
- George Reinhart was asked to **present information about new technologies** at the June meeting. There was much discussion about the size of a plant, with community activist interests at the 5 MW level and industry interests indicating that economics dictate a 15 MW plant to keep fixed costs in line. *Editors Note: Any person should feel free to weigh in on the subject of size of the plant. If activists can be expected to object to anything over 5 MW, there may be a problem. As background, PG&E estimates that about 200 MW is the annual use*

for Mendocino County; 5 MW would represent meeting 2 ½% of the local need, and 15 MW would represent 7 ½%.

- David Yeomans of the MCRPD was asked to **provide their map of the MCRPD property** at the next meeting. The Rec. District folks indicated that they are willing to consider use of a part of their property for the solid waste transfer and recycling center, a sawmill and the power plant. Understanding that the original proposal to use the G-P bark site was purposeful to avoid the park property, MCRPD now wishes to consider a different configuration by collaboration, provided that recreation is a calculated part of the discussion. The purpose of the MCRPD map for the next meeting is to determine what limits exist to development, if the MCRPD property is used for the above purposes.
- Jere Melo was asked to contact Jerry Ward of Solid Wastes of Willits and Paul Caylor at Mendocino County. **They will be asked to attend the next meeting to add to the discussion about the solid waste matter.**

Specific assignments for the June meeting are listed in bold for the above discussions.

The next meeting will be Friday, June 27, 0930 to probably past Noon, given the above items, Fort Bragg Police Department Conference Room.