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COG RECYCLING COMMITTEE

The Effects of Product Bans

Place: COG 3rd Floor Board Room

Date: Thursday, July 17, 2014

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

I. **Call to Order & Introductions** – Chair Erica Carter, Fairfax County

II. **The Effects of Product Bans** (10:00 – 12:00)

Implementing a Plastic Water Bottle Ban at the Grand Canyon

Heather Willis, Sustainability Specialist (via webinar)

South Rim, Grand Canyon National Park

Xanterra Parks and Resorts

Ms. Willis will explain the issues and successes behind implementing a plastic water bottle ban in one of the nation's most popular parks from a leading park vendor's perspective.

Review of the District of Columbia's Bag Fee Program

Kate Judson, Environmental Protection Specialist

Department of the Environment

District of Columbia

Ms. Judson will review the implementation of the City's plastic and paper bag fee and discuss recent survey results on the success of the program.

The City of Santa Monica's Bans on Polystyrene and Plastic Bags

Josephine Miller, Sustainability Analyst (via Webinar)

Office of Sustainability and the Environment

City of Santa Monica, CA

Ms. Miller will describe the motivations and actions behind the bans of plastic bags and polystyrene in the City of Santa Monica.

Smithsonian Folklife Festival Ban on Polystyrene

Sarah Gaines and Ridley Vann, Sustainability Interns

Sustainability Team, Smithsonian Folklife Festival

Sarah Gaines and Ridley Vann will recap the festival's experience with prohibiting the use of polystyrene food containers.

III. **Lunch** (12:00 - 12:30)

IV. **New Business** (12:30 – 12:55)

a. Organics Task Force Meeting at COG July 28

b. Solid Waste Managers Group Update

V. **News Exchange and Industry Update** (12:55 – 1:30)

VI. **Set Next Meeting Date (September 18 – Food Collection and Composting)**

VII. **Adjourn**



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