



## California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health

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### **Subject: CDPH and CCDEH Common Priorities**

Dear Dr. Horton:

On behalf of the 62 local environmental health jurisdictions across California we would like to report on some encouraging progress CCDEH and your Environmental Health Center have made in formulating a common agenda.

For the last 4 years we have met with staff from the Center to identify important issues, foster program understanding for ourselves and key members of our staffs, and to identify and agree upon some mutually important priorities. While we all strive for the same ultimate goals to protect public health and to enhance the quality of life of all Californians while protecting our environment, we have often in the past gone about our business from different angles or with different emphases.

On June 16, 2010 we held the third "CDPH/CCDEH Forum" at which Environmental Health Staff and numerous local environmental health Directors and supervisors shared in providing updates on our key programmatic responsibilities and formulated a common agenda for the next year or two.

Attached please find a summary of this common agenda. While we understand that these tasks have not been officially embraced as CDPH priorities, we do have an agreement at the Center-level that the State and local agencies will collaborate to the greatest extent possible to be mutually reinforcing efforts towards meeting these objectives. We would commit to including these in our Annual Action Plan for 2010-11 which is adopted in September.

Our thanks go to Glenn Takeoka and Robert Schlag for assisting in arranging this Forum and for continuing to work with us to find innovative ways – in this dire fiscal climate – to press on with the best possible delivery of our essential services.

Please do not hesitate to contact either of us or Justin Malan at (916) 448-1015 if you have any questions about this plan or about how we can strengthen the collaboration between State and local environmental health programs.

Sincerely

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**CCDEH/CDPH SHARED PRIORITIES 2010**

<b>ISSUE</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>BY</b>	<b>TARGET</b>	<b>STATUS 6/16/10</b>
<b><u>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</u></b>				
Participate in AB 32 PH Working Group Promote CEUs Product Safety	Support AB32 Campaign Support CEU program Product safety testing/enforcement	Exec Com/Dr. Rudolph CDPH-REHS Reg. Com.	November 2010 Ongoing	ONGOING ONGOING
<b><u>FOOD COMMITTEE</u></b>				
Enhance State Retail Food Capacity S3 Conference Enhance Local Recall process CalCode Training Research on animals in food facilities Medical marijuana dispensaries Wholesale Food/Food Sanitation program	Seek new/alternative \$\$\$ Facilitate with partners Clarify local recall process CalCode/transfats/menulabels etc. Work w/ Loma Linda University CSAC Task Force Est. State/local/industry Workgroup	Food Com./CDPH (F&D) Food Com./CDPH (F&D) Food Com./CDPH (F&D) Food Com./CDPH (F&D)/FDA Food Com./LLU/CDPH(F&D) Food Com./CDPH(F&D) Food Com./CDPH(F&D)	September 2010 May 2011 September 2010 2010 September 2010 2010	UNDERWAY UNDERWAY Survey done ONGOING NEW ONGOING
<b><u>SOLID WASTE</u></b>				
Food waste composting Sharps EPR	Facilitate EH issues Support EPR program	SWPC/CDPH(DW&EM) SWPC/CDPH(DW&EM)	2010	NEW
<b><u>LAND USE COMMITTEE</u></b>				
Gray Water Guidelines/Training Hauled water Guidelines/Training Res. water treat. Guidelines/Training Vector Control	Represent EH on: BMPs/NPDES etc	LUCom/CDPH(DW&EM) LUCom/CDPH(DW&EM) LUCom/CDPH(DW&EM) LUCom/CDPH (Vector)	2010 2010 2010 2010	NEW NEW NEW ONGOING
<b><u>COMMUNITY EH COMMITTEE</u></b>				
Update Pool Code/regs Beach monitoring Implement AB2010 ONGOING	Update codes and regulations Secure AB 411 funding Enforcement/Training	EH Com/CDPH(DW&EM) EH Com/CDPH/SWRCB EH Com/CDPH(DW&EM)	February 2011 2010 September 2010	NEW ONGOING
<b><u>EH IT</u></b>				
Establish EH Data Dictionary	Expand Food Data Dictionary	EH Com./CDPH(DW&EM)	September 2011	NEW
<b><u>HAZARDOUS MATERIALS/WASTE COMMITTEE &amp; CUPA</u></b>				