



## CAW Lobby Days 2003

It is time to speak our minds and voice our concerns on e-waste producer responsibility to the State Legislature with Lobby Days 2003! CAW will make arrangements for you to meet with your legislators to express your e-waste concerns, tell your e-waste stories and discuss how SB 20 is a meaningful solution to the e-waste crisis. SB 20 still faces heavy opposition from the electronics industry and trade groups and several key parts of the bill are under attack. It is essential that local government spokespeople communicate:

- The high cost associated with the collection of hazardous electronic devices.
- The importance of having the target recovery rates and dates as a means of measuring program success.
- Local governments prefer payments to grants when administering funds.

CAW is planning to host lobby days on:  
 ( Wednesday, June 11th  
 ( Thursday, June 19th

Legislators value the opinions of local government and it is essential that they hear from you. If you cannot make a trip to Sacramento on the dates above and still want to participate, let us know when you are available Mon-Thurs for an alternate appointment.

For more information, contact: Jessica Fiedor, Californians Against Waste, 926 J Street, Suite 606, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 443-5422, (916) 443-3912 fax

## SURGE IN BOTTLED WATER POPULARITY THREATENS ENVIRONMENT

### New Report Cites Potential Crisis as Billions of Water Bottles Tossed In Trash

An on-the-go society combined with masses of health conscious consumers has turned the single serve bottle of water into a national icon. Now, according to a report released by the California Department of Conservation, billions of these empty "icons" are causing serious environmental problems.

According to the report, more than 1 billion water bottles are winding up in the trash in California each year. That translates into nearly 3 million empty water bottles going to the trash EVERY day and an estimated \$26 million in unclaimed California Refund Value (CRV) deposits annually. If recycled, the raw materials from those bottles could be used to make 74 million square feet of carpet, 74 million extra large T-shirts or 16 million sweaters, among other things. Instead, they are swallowing landfill space, increasing air pollution and destroying the ozone layer. "The sight of a water bottle in someone's hand has become as common as a cell phone," said Darryl Young, Director of the California Department of Conservation. "In California, one is usually in the right, and the other is in the left. What people don't

realize is that these water bottles are recyclable and have detrimental environmental impacts if thrown in the trash"

With their popularity increasing and summer right around the corner, single serve water bottles are poised to cause even greater environmental concerns if recycling rates go unchanged. According to the report, only 16 percent of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) water bottles sold in California are being recycled. At that rate, the amount of water bottles thrown in the trash ten years from now would be enough to create a two lane, six-inch deep highway that stretches the entire coast of California. The bottles also present significant air pollution concerns as many are incinerated with regular trash. Anyone who has seen a plastic bottle melt knows of the toxic smoke and fumes it can create. These fumes not only pose health risks, they create "green house gases" that attack the ozone layer. "What's most discouraging is that these empty water bottles can be recycled and used for so many things," continues Young. "

Visit [www.bottlesandcans.com](http://www.bottlesandcans.com) for more information.

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## About us

The CRRA is an organization of individuals, recycling centers, and companies pledged to the conservation of natural resources. The Association assists its members with their programs and conducts activities that will promote resource conservation by the people of California.

## CRRA State Conference 2003

**Ontario, California • July 20-23, 2003**

**"On the Road to Zero Waste, Choose to Recycle More"**

The 2003 CRRA Conference is a nuts and bolts approach to consensus building on current and proposed statewide diversion programs and policies.

The four-day event offers a training certificate. The 2003 Conference will galvanize a statewide recycling movement toward development of a comprehensive zero waste resource conservation and recovery policy.

**Visit [www.crra.com](http://www.crra.com) to register and to download all up-to-date conference program details.**

**Board Meeting & Conference Call**

**Tuesday, February 25, 2003**

**Present:** Alec Cooley, Lin King, John Davis, Rick Anthony, Susan Collins, Judi Gregory, Grahame Watts, Ann Schneider, David Powers, Connie Seitz.

**Motion:** (Anthony/Davis) to approve the hotel contract with the Ontario Convention Center subject to final review of hard copy of contract. Motion passed unanimously.

**Motion:** (Schneider/Gregory) to contract with Laura for master website maintenance services. Motion passed unanimously.

**Tuesday, March 25, 2003**

**Present:** Lin King, John Davis, Rick Anthony, Susan Collins, Grahame Watts, Ann Schneider, David Powers, Alec Cooley (2:50): Absent: Judi Gregory

**Motion:** (Collins/Anthony) To approve the GES exhibitor contract. Motion passed 7-0 (Gregory absent).

**Tuesday, April 22, 2003**

**Present:** Alec Cooley, John Davis, Judi Gregory, Grahame Watts, Ann Schneider, David Powers: Absent: Rick Anthony, Lin King and Susan Collins.

**Motion:** (Gregory/Cooley) to approve the January, February and March meeting minutes pending any final revisions from the Board. The motion passed 6-0.

**Motion:** (Cooley/Powers) to allow the conference committee to make decisions regarding conference giveaways such as bags and mugs. Motion passed 6-0.

**CRRAN Income Statement**

for the Four Months Ended April 30, 2003

**INCOME:**

Advertising .....	\$1,000
Exhibits.....	\$4,178
Interest.....	\$128
Dues-Associate .....	\$1,350
Dues-Business .....	\$1,800
Dues-Gov't Agency .....	\$1,800
Dues-Individual .....	\$1,425
Dues-Non-Profit .....	\$350
Dues-NRC.....	\$2,449
Dues-Student .....	\$50
Registration Inc .....	\$23,750
Special Events Inc.....	\$80
Sponsorship .....	\$60,600
Tours Income .....	\$35
<b>Total Income .....</b>	<b>\$98,994</b>

**EXPENSES:**

Bank Service Charges.....	\$4
Computer Svcs.....	\$2,339
Credit Card Fees.....	\$596
E-Mail Fee .....	\$116
Facility/Equip Rental.....	\$500
Food & Beverage.....	\$1,015
Management Fee.....	\$26,418
Miscellaneous Exp.....	\$1,000
NRC Memberships.....	\$2,538
Postage .....	\$892
Printing/Reproduction .....	\$1,876
Supplies.....	\$18
Telephone/Fax.....	\$1,647
Travel/Lodging.....	\$905
<b>Total Expenses.....</b>	<b>\$39,865</b>

**Net Income (Loss).....\$59,129**

**MONTEREY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
invites applications for  
RECYCLING AND RESOURCE RECOVERY SPECIALIST**

\$46,061 - \$59,918 Annually plus excellent benefits

FINAL FILING DATE: Wednesday, June 25, 2003, by 5:00 p.m. Exam 03/30J81/05BThe Health Department's

For a complete position description please visit:

[http://www.co.monterey.ca.us/personnel/jobs/pdf/RECYCLING\\_RESOURCE%20RECOVERY%20SPC.pdf](http://www.co.monterey.ca.us/personnel/jobs/pdf/RECYCLING_RESOURCE%20RECOVERY%20SPC.pdf)

For more information or to receive application materials, see our web site at

<http://www.co.monterey.ca.us/personnel/jobs.asp> or contact the health Department Human Resources Division at (831) 755-4527.

## CRRA Elections

Please note that the following CRRA seats are up for re-election. Visit the CRRA website for full candidate statements, photos and deadlines.

### Candidates



**District 1**  
**Alec Cooley**  
Incumbent



**District 4 and GRC**  
**Rick Anthony**  
Incumbent



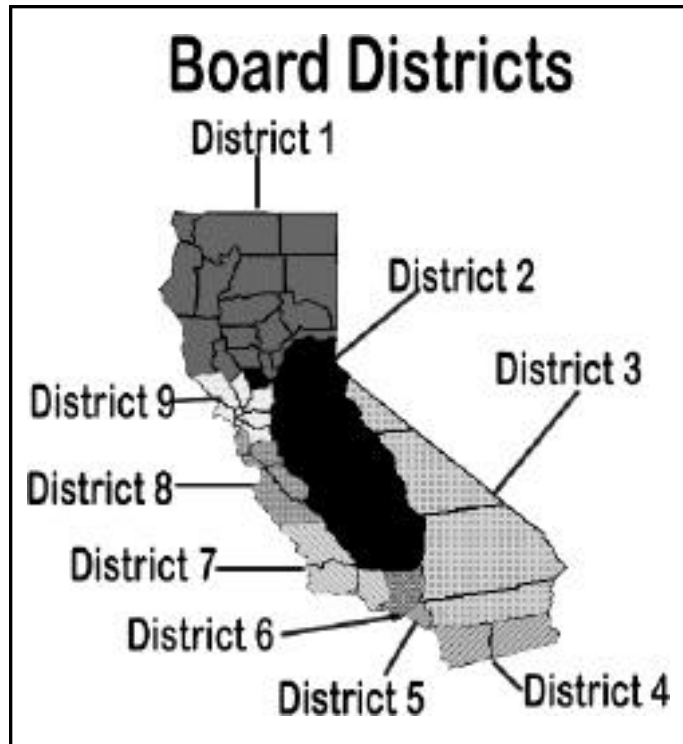
**District 7**  
**Grahame Watts**  
Incumbent



**IRC**  
**Judi Gregory**  
IRC



**GRC**  
**Gary Liss**  
GRC & IRC



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**June 27, 2003: Voting for CRRA board positions and TC's closes.**

Contact Liz Citrino 530-626-5077.

**July 20-23, 2003: CRRA Annual Conference in Ontario, California.**

Contact 916-441-2772 (CRRA).

**September 14-17, 2003: NRC's 22nd Annual Congress Expo, Baltimore Maryland.**

[www.nrc-recycle.org](http://www.nrc-recycle.org) for more information.

\*\*Check out the CRRA Web site for a complete update of environmental events happening around the world at: [www.CRRA.com](http://www.CRRA.com)

## ATTENTION ALL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

### The CIWMB Approves Use of Used Oil Grant Funds for Attendance at CRRA Conference in Ontario.

The California Integrated Waste Management Board has approved the use of funds from the Used Oil grant to pay for a portion of conference registration fees at the upcoming CRRA conference in Ontario, CA, July 20-23, 2003.

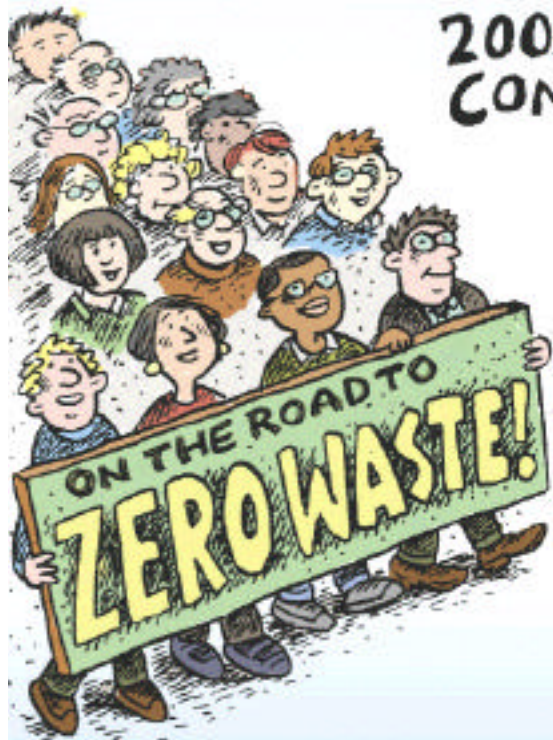
Government employees may use the Used Oil grant funds to cover up to 100% of the conference registration fees if the registrant attends the 8-hour OSHA refresher training on Wednesday, July 23, 2003. Registrants not attending Wednesday may use funds to cover 50% of the registration cost.

In addition, state per diem for lodging is available for two people per jurisdiction.

Participants need to get pre-approval from grant managers. Please see the CIWMB website for more information ([www.ciwmb.ca.gov](http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov)) or visit the CRRA website for full details of the conference. ([www.crta.com](http://www.crta.com))

# California Resource Recovery Association

## 2003 ANNUAL CONFERENCE



Register by  
JUNE 15th  
and Save!

Register Now for the California Resource Recovery Association's 27th Annual State Conference at the Ontario Convention Center and Marriott Hotel in Ontario California,

**JULY 20-23, 2003**

Register online at  
[www.crra.com](http://www.crra.com).



National Recycling Coalition's  
22nd Annual Congress & Expo  
September 14-17, 2003

Visit [www.nrc-recycle.org/congress](http://www.nrc-recycle.org/congress)  
for more info

Attention all shower singers,  
kitchen hoofers and all-around hams:

the NCRA Players are looking for a few good men and women to take part in the soon-to-be-famous production of Waste Side Story at the CRRA conference July 20-23. In particular, we are looking for Southern California members to round out our cast.

For more information, please call Ruth Abbe at (415) 434-0900 x138



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### President's Circle



[ZeroWasteCommunities.org](http://ZeroWasteCommunities.org)  
of San Bernardino County

### There's Value in CRRA Sponsorship

CRRA sponsorship is a great way to show your commitment. Visit the CRRA Web site for NEW information on all the valuable benefits of sponsorship.

Download information at  
[www.crra.com](http://www.crra.com)

For President's Circle  
Sponsorship, please call  
Judi Gregory at 626-339-9555.