

### **SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA**

## ALASKA GHAPTER

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2022

Directors: Ted Jacobson (Advisory Board Delegate) Terry Berger Cory Hinds Mike Blair Mark Spafford

Spring Board Meeting Online Thursday, March 24, 2022

3:00: Business Meeting as follows:

# I. Tentatively planning on in-person meeting July 15<sup>th</sup> at the Energy Center II. MOLO

- A. SWANA provides breakdown of Body of Knowledge into four headings
  - 1. Foundational, Strategic, Technical, Management
  - 2. Tech sessions can be tailored to fit under those topics
    - a. Hard to get presenters for sessions, requiring MOLO will increase difficulty
    - b. Cory Hinds will help adapt presentations to MOLO topics
- B. Concern was expressed whether one topic per meeting will provide enough CEUs in three years
  - 1. Doing MOLO in tech sessions won't help people who can't attend meetings
  - 2. Feedback says in-person contact at MOLO is invaluable and 'levels the playing field'
  - 3. Some are using Blue Ridge for training as an alternative to MOLO
- C. Employers' budget cuts affect employees' ability to attend MOLO
  - 1. Job-required MOLO certification is being reconsidered for several job categories
  - 2. Blue Ridge training is available at a lower cost for those who don't need MOLO certificate
- D. MOLO is already available on Fast Track at a reduced price for conference attendees
- E. Several requests have been made for an in-person MOLO
  - 1. Board members will explore possibility for a MOLO in November 2022
  - 2. Chapter has one qualified trainer; Terry Berger and Brett Olson plan to get qualified

#### III. RALO

- A. Online RALO for RACEJET currently the only RALO planned
  - 1. Alaska Forum no longer exists, therefore no grants are available for RALO
  - 2. DEC offers Solid Waste Boot Camp which is similar to RALO; others also offer training
- B. RALO may continue on an as-requested basis
  - 1. RALO course remains property of Chapter
  - 2. Consultant fees need to be consistent and agreed upon in advance
  - 3. Slides for RALO will be reviewed and standardized by board
- IV. Mike Blair is resigning from the board due to his health
  - A. The Board members expressed thanks for his many years of service
  - B. Board members will recruit a replacement to be announced at the April meeting

#### V. Adjournment

#### **Board Members participating:**

Terry Berger Cory Hinds Ted Jacobson Lori Aldrich Donna Mears Brett Olson Mark Spafford