



## AGENDA WASTE POLICY FORUM - BORDER 2012

**March 31 – April 1**

Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina  
333 West Harbor Drive  
San Diego, CA, 92101

**Main Purpose:**

To reach agreement on priorities/objectives to propose for the next U.S.–Mexico border program for the May National Coordinator’s Meeting.

**Participants:**

Local, state, tribal and federal government environmental officials, academia, non-profits and private sector representatives from the United States and Mexico and other interested parties. The meeting of the Border 2012 Waste Policy Forum is open to the public on both March 31 and April 1.

<b>March 31 (Thursday)</b>	
<b>Sign-in</b>	<b>8:15 - 8:30</b>
<b>Introductions of Waste Policy Forum Participants</b>	<b>8:30 - 8:50</b>
<b>Opening Remarks</b> TBD Mexico Dr. Paul Ganster, San Diego State University	<b>8:50 - 9:00</b> <b>9:00 - 9:10</b>
<b>Introductory Remarks by Waste Policy Forum Co-Chairs</b> Alfonso Flores (Secretaría de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (SEMARNAT)) Suzanne Rudzinski (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA))	<b>9:10 - 9:20</b> <b>9:20 - 9:30</b>

<b>Overview on Developing Priorities for Next Border Program</b> Rick Picardi (U.S. EPA)	<b>9:30 - 9:50</b>
<b>Six Possible Priorities on Land Contamination for Next Border Program:</b>	
<b>1. Promote scrap tire recycling markets and programs.</b> a. Organize capacity building workshops with industry and government on developing recycling markets b. Increase the number of municipalities who sign on to the scrap tire management initiative c. Encourage recycling of scrap tires	<b>9:50 - 10:30</b>
Break	<b>10:30 - 10:45</b>
<b>Promote scrap tire recycling markets and programs (continued)</b>	<b>10:45 - 11:00</b>
<b>2. Addressing toxic contaminated sites</b> a. Support activities on the clean-up of abandoned sites contaminated with hazardous waste or materials	<b>11:00 - 11:55</b>
<b>3. Divert solid waste from landfills</b> a. Capacity building activities for municipal solid waste, recycling, composting or material management	<b>11:55 - 12:45</b>
Lunch	<b>12:45 - 14:15</b>
<b>4. Address priority waste streams</b> a. Collection, reuse, refurbish, or recycle waste streams ( <i>for example, electronics waste</i> )	<b>14:15 - 15:15</b>
<b>5. Improve hazardous waste management</b> a. Develop or identify capacity-building materials related to hazardous waste management b. Provide training for maquiladoras and other border companies	<b>15:15 - 16:05</b>
Break	<b>16:05 - 16:20</b>
<b>6. Consultative Mechanism</b> a. Continue the implementation of the bi-national Consultative Mechanism	<b>16:20 - 16:35</b>
<b>Communications and structure for next border program</b>	<b>16:35 - 17:00</b>
<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>17:00 - 17:15</b>
<b>Closing Remarks by Waste Policy Forum Co-Chairs</b>	<b>17:15 - 17:30</b>

<b><u>April 1 (Friday)</u></b>	
<b>Highlights by Regional Task Forces on Waste Activities and Q&amp;As</b>	
<b>Four-State TX/COAH/NL/TAM Regional Task Forces</b> Paula Flores (U.S. EPA Region 6 Dallas) Claudia Lozano (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ))	<b>8:30 - 9:30</b>
<b>Three-State NM/TX/CHIH Regional Task Forces</b> Debra Tellez (U.S. EPA El Paso Border Office)	<b>9:30 - 10:30</b>
Break	<b>10:30 - 10:45</b>
<b>Sonora-Arizona Waste &amp; Enforcement Task Force</b> Veronica Garcia (Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (AZDEQ)) Arq. Joaquin Marruffo Ruiz (Comisión de Ecología y Desarrollo Sustentable del Estado de Sonora (CEDES))	<b>10:45 - 11:45</b>
<b>Baja California-California Waste &amp; Enforcement Task Force</b> TBD	<b>11:45 - 12:45</b>
<b>Closing Remarks by Waste Policy Forum Co-Chairs</b>	<b>12:45 - 13:00</b>