



MEPHLI Medical Waste Project Plan

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Introduction

The Monterey County Environmental Health Department is responsible for implementing the Medical Waste Management Act (MWMA), which is a part of the California Health and Safety Code Sections 117600-118360.

- The Department reviews medical waste management plans along with applications.
- We issue permits to medical waste generators.
- We provide assistance to the public and industry, on how to properly handle their medical waste.
- We conduct routine inspections and conduct complaint investigations regarding medical waste.
- We have 526 permitted facilities.



Growth Strategy

Medical waste generators

Phase 1 October, 2018

- Collaborate with cities and increase our database of generators.
- Provide public and private education for medical waste generators.
- Maintain website with up to date information.



Phase 2 December, 2018

- Merge application and MWMP into one simple form.
- Increase participation of generators through education, application, and enforcement.



Phase 3 June, 2019

- Increase number of HGCP throughout the County.
- Achieve 20% increase in generator participation by end of this fiscal year.
- Electronic inspection form.



Summary

Medical Waste
fiscal year 2018-2019

- Thru increased canvassing for unpermitted medical waste generators, we expect to grow our database inventory by 20%.
- With the recent development of SB 212 we look forward to the increase of HGCP locations throughout the County.
- We anticipate conducting our inspections electronically in the near future.



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Thank You

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