



## VISALIA ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

*Visalia Environmental Committee informs and advises the Visalia City Council and Citizens on preserving and improving environmental quality for the benefit of the community.*

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ENVIRONMENTAL  
COMMITTEE

### CITY OF VISALIA ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING TRANSIT BUILDING – 2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

**JULY 11, 2012**

**5:45 PM**

## **AGENDA**

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Public Comment
3. Approval of June 13 Minutes
4. Subcommittee Reports / Old Business
  - a. General Plan Update (T. Carroll)
  - b. Natural Resource Conservation Division monthly report (K. Loeb)
  - c. Committee goals review
5. Home-Generated Medical Sharps Drop-Off Program
6. Plastic Bags
  - a. Report of fate of locally recycled plastic bags (K. Loeb)
  - b. Discussion of ways to reduce plastic bag use in City
7. Legislative Update (K. Loeb)
  - a. AB 298 (Brownley) Single Use Bag Bill
  - b. SB 1118 (Hancock) Mattress Recycling
  - c. SB 568 (Lowenthal) Polystyrene Food Containers
8. Election of Committee Secretary
9. Announcements / Good of the Order
10. Adjourn

2012 Meetings

January 11

February 08

March 14

April 11

May 09

June 13

July 11

August 08

September 12

October 10

November 14

December 12

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## **Visalia Environmental Committee 2012 Goals**

1. Host Visalia Earth Day
2. Assist El Diamante High School with establishment of its native plant greenhouse
3. Expand the battery recycling program and encourage the use of rechargeable batteries
4. Continue collaborative efforts with community groups
5. Ways to encourage Styrofoam and plastic bag reduction within the City limits
6. Develop a list of low-water-use plants and examples of lawn alternative plantings
7. Facilitate establishment of prescription medication and medical sharps disposal programs
8. Extended producer responsibility.