

Litter Task Force Meeting Notes

June 30, 2005

Meeting Participants: J. Tuttle, S. Winslow, G. Gerritt, T. Getz

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the strategic direction of the group. T. Getz distributed a draft document with some ideas (Attachment A). He indicated this is a rough draft and was looking for input from committee members on the document. The three areas for future discussion included funding of anti-litter activities, a review of legislation and outreach / public education.

This document will be distributed to the other members of the litter task force and comments will be requested on this possible direction. The meeting was adjourned and the next meeting was scheduled for August 25, 2005 and will meet from 3-4 PM in the Fester Conference Room in Room 425 in 235 Promenade Street, Providence.

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Three Strategic Goals for Litter Task Force to consider when developing policy direction for litter issues

Prevent/Reduce Use:

Enforce:

Clean Up:

Three Potential Areas of Focus for the Litter Task Force

I. Funding of Litter Program – Should funding be dedicated to litter initiatives?

Existing Litter Programs - DOT / DOC roadside Clean-up (\$250,000)
Adopt-A-Highway
Ride with PRide campaign.
Earth Day clean ups and activities in April and the
International Shoreline clean up in September.
(\$41,000)

Past Anti-litter efforts- Community litter corps, OSCAR etc.

Legislative Revenue Stream - \$1,200,000 (the beverage tax was bringing in about \$800K per year and the fast food fee was bringing in about \$400K per year.)

II. Legislative Review

Prevent/Reduce Use: Environmentally Preferable Purchasing

Enforce: Fines Vs. Administrative Penalties

Clean Up: Fund additional litter activities

III. Outreach / Public Education