

Facility and Plan Review Subcommittee
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/
Integrated Waste Management Task Force

Minutes of April 17, 2008

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Conference Room C
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, California

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Betsey Landis, Environmental Organization Representative
John McTaggart, General Public Representative
Michael Miller, League of California Cities
Mike Mohajer, General Public Representative
Carlos Ruiz, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Christopher Salomon, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Charles Modica, City of Los Angeles
Gerardo Villalobos, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chuk Agu, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Joe Bartolata, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Owen Blakely, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Russell Bukoff, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
David Edwards, Browning Ferris Industries of California
Rafael Garcia, Allied Waste, Inc.
Linda Lee, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Greg Loughnane, Allied Waste, Inc.
Carl Pederson, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Wu Tan, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:42 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2008

A motion to approve the Minutes of the January 24, 2008 meeting was approved (with Mr. John McTaggart and Mr. Michael Miller abstaining, and Mr. Chris Salomon not present for the vote) with the following change:

The Subcommittee instructed staff to revise the third bullet on page 3 of the Minutes to read "Provide quarterly status reports on the progress of the re-vegetation program for both the City-side and County-side of the Landfill."

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2008

A motion to approve the Minutes of the February 28, 2008 meeting was approved (with Mr. John McTaggart and Mr. Michael Miller abstaining, and Mr. Chris Salomon not present for the vote).

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2008

A motion to approve the Minutes of the March 20, 2008, meeting was approved (with Mr. John McTaggart and Mr. Michael Miller abstaining, and Mr. Chris Salomon not present for the vote) with the following change:

The Subcommittee instructed staff to delete the last sentence in Option No. 6, "Therefore, the Subcommittee preferred pursuing Option No. 1 in lieu of this option," since the Subcommittee has not indicated a preference at this time.

V. CONSIDERATION OF FINDING OF CONFORMANCE FOR SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL (COUNTY PROJECT)

Mr. Martin Aiyetiwa presented the updated Staff Report ([see Attachment 1](#)) to the Subcommittee on the Finding of Conformance for Sunshine Canyon Landfill (County Project). The County Project consists of landfill activities within Phase V and top deck areas of the Landfill. Mr. Aiyetiwa indicated that at the January 24, 2008 and March 20, 2008 meetings, the Subcommittee requested additional map information and changes to the Staff Report. In order to address these requests, a summary of the Subcommittee's comments, staff's response to comments, and BFI's comments were provided in the April 9, 2008, Staff Report.

Mr. Aiyetiwa introduced representatives from BFI (Mr. David Edwards, Mr. Greg Loughane, and Mr. Rafael Garcia) who gave a Powerpoint presentation ([see Attachment 2](#)) on the County Project. In the presentation, Mr. Edwards discussed the purpose and history of the County Project. Mr. Edwards stated

that the County Project was consistent with environmental reviews and land use approvals already received, including Replacement Conditional Use Permit 00-196-(5), and it satisfied the Siting Criteria outlined in the Countywide Siting Element. Therefore, Mr. Edwards requested the Subcommittee to accept the Staff Report and recommend to the full Task Force that it grant a Finding of Conformance for the County Project.

Mr. Edwards also addressed Subcommittee's questions regarding the materials employed in the construction of the Landfill's double-liner system and the effectiveness of the system. He explained that BFI has implemented quality assurance procedures to ensure that standards of quality are being met. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made that the Subcommittee recommend to the full Task Force that it grant the Finding of Conformance for the County Project. The motion was unanimously approved with the following revisions:

- Identify areas A and C on the Site Map as Phase I of the City Project.
- Add a legend to the Landfill Phasing Plan to indicate that Phases VA and VB are part of Phase V, and include "dashes" so Phases VA and VB read as V-A and V-B.
- Designation of landfill projects should be consistent with Replacement Conditional Use Permit definitions, specifically, the names of maps should be stated as "County Project," not "County Extension." This comment specifically applies to the "Site Map", "Landfill Phasing Plan", "Final Grading Plan," and "Revegetation Plan 1st Quarter 2008."
- Include the Definitions page in the Staff Report.

VI. OPEN DISCUSSION/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE

To be announced at a later date.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:29 p.m.