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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Mark Pestrella, PE, Chair 
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**REQUEST FOR COUNTY ADVOCACY TO SUPPORT
ASSEMBLY BILL 1153 (BONTA) SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL:
CODISPOSAL SITE CLEANUP: ILLEGAL DISPOSAL SITE ABATEMENT**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) is writing to express its strong support for Assembly Bill (AB) 1153 (Bonta, 2025). AB 1153 would allow the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery's (CalRecycle) Solid Waste Disposal and Codisposal Site Cleanup Program to provide funding for the removal and disposal of recreational vehicles, enforcement strategies, and the development of local enforcement teams and illegal dumping enforcement officers.

The Task Force appreciates the action of Los Angeles County (County) to support legislation that provides alternative funding mechanisms to support County-led projects, services, construction, risk mitigation, and goals; and that secures funding and expand resources for the development, deployment, improvement, or maintenance of public services such as AB 1153.

AB 1153 supports efforts to clean up communities and improve residents' quality of life by addressing illegal dumping. Many neighborhoods have struggled with waste accumulation, impacting both the environment and public health. By expanding resources for cleanup and enforcement, this bill helps restore public spaces, making them safer and more welcoming. It also provides financial support for jurisdictions to remove debris, reduce pollution, and maintain cleaner streets.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has recognized illegal dumping as a serious environmental justice issue, disproportionately affecting disadvantaged communities. In response, the Board passed the motion Addressing Environmental Justice and Equity Concerns in Disadvantaged Communities Under Siege by Illegal Dumping to strengthen enforcement, increase cleanup efforts, and provide resources to mitigate the harmful effects of waste accumulation in vulnerable neighborhoods.

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The bill is particularly important for areas that have historically faced environmental challenges due to inadequate waste management practices. Illegal dumping has disproportionately affected certain communities, leaving them with limited means to adequately address the issue. By funding cleanup efforts and strengthening enforcement strategies, the bill ensures that all neighborhoods have access to cleaner and healthier living conditions. This initiative aligns with broader goals to create more beautiful, sustainable communities where residents can thrive.

The Task Force urges the County Board of Supervisors to engage in supporting this legislation as it would assist local governments in their efforts to manage the increasing challenge of abandoned recreational vehicles. Expanding CalRecycle's Illegal and Abandoned Disposal Sites Program to cover these vehicles is a critical step, especially considering the substantial costs associated with dismantling inoperable RVs, estimated between \$5,000 and \$9,000 per vehicle. The fact that the County has had to establish dedicated programs to manage an estimated 500 illegally parked RVs underscores the urgency and the financial relief AB 1153 would provide.

Pursuant to Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code and the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939), the Task Force is responsible for coordinating the development of all major solid waste planning documents prepared for the County and the 88 cities in the County with a combined population in excess of 10 million. Consistent with these responsibilities and to ensure a coordinated and cost-effective and environmentally sound solid waste management system in the County, the Task Force also addresses issues impacting the system on a Countywide basis. The Task Force membership includes representatives of the League of California Cities-Los Angeles County Division, Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, City of Los Angeles, waste management industry, environmental groups, the public, and a number of other governmental agencies.

If you have any questions, please contact Jocelyn Stark at (626) 458-6521 or JStark@pw.lacounty.gov.

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Legislative Summary / Findings
AB 1153 (Bonta) – As Introduced on February 20, 2025
Solid Waste Disposal and Codisposal Site Cleanup: Illegal Disposal Site
Abatement

Summary: This bill would allow CalRecycle's Solids Waste Disposal and Codisposal Site Cleanup Program to provide grant funding for the removal and disposal of recreational vehicles, enforcement strategies, and the development of local enforcement teams and illegal dumping enforcement officers.

Commission Recommendation: None.

CEO Legislative Affairs Findings: There is Board-adopted policy related to proposals that:

- Support alternative funding mechanisms to support County-led projects, services, construction, risk mitigation, and goals; and
- Secure funding and expand resources for the development, deployment, improvement, or maintenance of public services.

Bill Status: AB 1153 is pending consideration in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

April 8, 2025