REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND RECORD OF ACTION

January 29, 2019

FROM: **KEVIN BLAKESLEE, Director**
Department of Public Works – Solid Waste Management

SUBJECT: **INITIAL ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE SAN TIMOTEO SANITARY LANDFILL**

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Adopt the Negative Declaration and Notice of Determination for the proposed San Timoteo Sanitary Landfill Permit Revision and Joint Technical Document Amendment related to Maximum Daily Tonnage and Final Grading Plan (Project).
2. Approve the Project as defined in the Initial Study/Negative Declaration.
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to file the Notice of Determination for the Project.

(Presenter: Kevin Blakeslee, Director, 387-7906)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Provide for the Safety, Health, and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost) as the Department of Public Works – Solid Waste Management Division (SWMD) is not financed by the General Fund. Instead, SWMD establishes fees that are charged to the public and other agencies for utilization of the County's waste disposal system. The estimated filing fees for the Project Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) are $1,766. Sufficient appropriation has been included in the SWMD 2018-19 Engineering Operations Budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Initial Study was prepared to identify and assess the potential environmental impacts from intermittent temporary diversion of up to 1,000 tons per day (tpd) of refuse from the Mid-Valley Sanitary Landfill (MVSL) to the San Timoteo Sanitary Landfill (STSL), for a maximum of 15 days per year. The diversion of refuse would be in response to windy days that force the temporary cessation of operations at MVSL. The Initial Study also analyzes the potential environmental effect of a revised final grading plan and revised base grades for future lined areas, which will add to the total refuse airspace of STSL.

cc: PW/SWMD - Blakeslee w/ NOE & Receipt
CAO - Hernandez-Barker
File - Solid Waste Management Division w/ attach, NOE & Receipt
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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO
Board of Supervisors

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LAURA H. WELCH, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY _____

DATED: January 29, 2019

Pursuant to CEQA, Section 15063 of the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations) requires the preparation and public circulation of an initial study to evaluate the potential environmental impacts associated with a project. The IS/ND was prepared by a County consultant, TetraTech BAS, under the supervision of the SWMD. The IS/ND determined that no significant environmental effects would occur.

The proposed Project aligns with County and Chief Executive Officer's goals to Provide for the Safety, Health, and Social Service Needs of County Residents by providing additional waste disposal options during adverse wind conditions and providing waste disposal airspace to meet the needs of the County.

If the Project is approved and the IS/ND is adopted by the Board of Supervisors, the SWMD will revise the STSL's Joint Technical Document (JTD) and Solid Waste Facilities Permit (SWFP) in order to allow landfill operations to receive the additional tonnage during adverse wind conditions and adjust waste fill operations to match the revised grading plan. SWMD anticipates approval of the revised JTD and SWFP by July 2019.

Copies of the Draft Initial Study were published and circulated on September 14, 2018, through the state clearinghouse (State Clearinghouse No. 2018091031), to the responsible and trustee agencies, and interested organizations and individuals for the 30-day comment period as specified in the CEQA Guidelines. No significant comments, which would necessitate revisions to the document, were received regarding the Project. SWMD recommends the adoption of an Initial Study/Negative Declaration.

PROCUREMENT
Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS
This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Kristina M. Robb, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on December 7, 2018; Finance (Paloma Hernandez-Barker, Administrative Analyst, 387-5426) on January 10, 2019; and County Finance and Administration (Matthew Erickson, County Chief Financial Officer, 387-5423) on January 14, 2019.