

November 30, 2016
Public Notice

Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project and Sanitary Landfill
Solid Waste Facility Permit (SWFP) #42-AA-0015
14470 Calle Real, Goleta, CA 93117

SWFP Revision Application

Received from the Santa Barbara County Public Works Department
Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division
(Public Works) on October 31, 2016

The operator, Public Works, requests a revision of the SWFP to allow the construction and operation of the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project (TRRP) consisting of a Materials Recovery Facility (MRF), an Anaerobic Digestion Facility (ADF) and a Compost Management Unit (CMU) within the landfill permitted boundary. Changes reflect the proposal to construct and operate the TRRP. The TRRP is intended to handle the same waste stream [municipal solid waste (MSW)] that is currently received at the Tajiguas Landfill with the addition of the processing of comingled source separated recyclables within the MRF. Rather than being tipped directly for disposal, most of the MSW will first be processed in the TRRP to recover recyclables and organics, resulting in a 60% reduction in disposal, extending the estimated closure date from the year 2023 to 2036.

A public hearing was held on July 12, 2016 at the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors to certify a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SCH#2012041068) and adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. Environmental Health Services (EHS) as the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) under the California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) was present at the hearing, acknowledged by the presenter and was available to answer questions about the Application.

The LEA accepted the Application for filing on November 7, 2016 and is allowed 120 days to decide whether to issue a revised SWFP. Additional information about the Application will be available at the EHS offices located at 225 Camino del Remedio, Santa Barbara, CA 93110. Inquiries for Public Works may be directed to Deputy Director, Mark Schleich or to Program/Business Leader, Imelda Cragin at 130 East Victoria Street, Suite 100, Santa Barbara, CA 93101, or by phoning (805) 882-3600.

Please contact Senior Environmental Health Specialist, Lisa Sloan at (805) 681-4942 or lsloan@sbcpd.org if you would like to provide comments on the Application which is available for viewing at: www.countyofsb.org/phd/environmentalhealth.aspx. The LEA will consider comments received on or before December 14, 2016. For information on the appeals process pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 44307 after the decision to issue or deny the SWFP revision, you may contact the LEA as provided above.