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Renewable Placer: Waste Action Plan Environmental Impact Report Appendices

Western Placer Management Authority Project No. P2683386 October 29, 2021





Appendix A NOP and Responses to Comments

Author Placer County Flood Control and Water Conservation District		Comment	Response A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in stormwater impacts is addressed in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.
	1	Project has the potential to increase peak flow runoff downstream, increase volume of runoff downstream, overload the actual or designed capacity of existing stormwater and flood-carrying facilities	
Placer County Health & Human Services Environmental Health Division	2	Project shall comply with regulations required by LEA, CalRecycle, Central Valley RWQCB, and other applicable landfill and MRF regulations.	Regulations from these agencies and others for operation of a landfill and MRF are described in Draft EIR Chapter 1, Introduction and various resource sections as appropriate.
	3	EIR shall analyze potential impacts related to hazards and hazardous materials.	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts related to hazards and hazardous materials is addressed in Draft EIR Chapter 11, Hazards, Hazardous Materials, and Wildfire.
Placer County Executive Office	4	Fire and Emergency Services. Impacts related to the increased demand on fire services and emergency services should be analyzed in the EIR. Mitigation measures should be considered to mitigate impacts to County services, including participation in County Service Area Zone of Benefit, Community Facilities District or other funding mechanism.	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to increase demand for fire and emergency services is included in Draft EIR Chapter 15, Public Services.
	5	Road Maintenance. Expanded landfill facilities may create impacts on the County's roadway system. Analysis should identify preferred truck traffic routes and associated impacts Analysis should propose mitigation of those impacts on the County's roadway system, including participation in a county service area zone of benefit or Community Facilities District or other funding mechanism.	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts on the County's roadway system is included in Draft EIR Chapters 15, Public Services, and 16, Transportation.
	6	Utilities. EIR should analyze impacts to sewer, water, recycled water, drainage, and wet utilities and propose mitigation measures to offset impacts.	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to sewer, water, recycled water, drainage, and wet utilities is included in Draft EIR Chapter 17, Utilities and Energy.
	7	Odor. EIR should analyze odor impacts to adjacent property owners and identify feasible mitigation measures that utilize modern technology that may not have been in effect when the landfill began operations.	A discussion of potential odor impacts associated with the proposed project is included in Draft EIR Chapter 6, Air Quality.

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	8	Air Quality. EIR should analyze the project's potential impacts to air quality in light of Sierra Club v. County of Fresno. This analysis is relevant not only to the increase in trip traffic but also to the potential increase in odors and proposed waste excavation.	The air quality analysis and a discussion of potential air quality impacts on public health from the proposed project are included in Draft EIR Chapter 6, Air Quality.	
	9	Traffic. EIR must analyze the direct and indirect impacts associated with potential shifts in ingress/egress as well as the proposed new road crossing.	A discussion of the approach to evaluating traffic impacts for the proposed project, including a discussion of traffic hazards, is included in Draft EIR Chapter 16, Transportation.	
	10	Aesthetics. EIR should analyze impacts to visual aesthetics and proposed feasible mitigation to mitigate impacts.	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to visual aesthetics is included in Draft EIR Chapter 5, Aesthetics.	
	11	Land Use. EIR should analyze land use conflicts under the existing Sunset Plan as well as the proposed Sunset Area Plan Update and Placer Ranch Specific Plan.	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in conflicts with local plans, including the Sunset Area Plan and Placer Ranch Specific Plan, is included in Draft EIR Chapter 13, Land Use and Planning.	
	12	Cumulative Impacts. EIR must include and consider the proposed Sunset Area Plan Update and Placer Ranch Specific Plan (SAPUPRSP), in particular the increase in traffic in light of the SAPUPRSP traffic analysis.	A discussion of cumulative impacts associated with the proposed project considering the Sunset Area Plan and Placer Ranch Specific Plan is included in Draft EIR Chapter 19, Cumulative Impacts.	
Native American Heritage Commission	1	Requirements of AB 52	WPWMA is in consultation with the United Auburn Indian Community, consistent with the requirements of AB 52. Additionally, a discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to tribal cultural resources is included in Draft EIR Chapter 8, Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources.	
	2	Requirements of SB 18	SB 18 is not applicable to the proposed project.	
	3	NAHC Recommendations for Cultural Resources Assessments	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to cultural resources is included in Draft EIR Chapter 8, Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources.	

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Author Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board		Comment	Response
	1	All wastewater discharges must comply with the Antidegradation Policy (State Water Board Resolution 68-16) and the Antidegradation Implementation Policy contained in the Basin Plan. EIR should evaluate potential impacts to both surface and groundwater quality.	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to surface and groundwater quality is included in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.
	2	Construction Storm Water General Permit	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to surface and groundwater quality is included in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.
	3	Phase I and II Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permits	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to surface and groundwater quality is included in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.
	4	Industrial Storm Water General Permit	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to surface and groundwater quality is included in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.
	5	Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to waters of the United States is included in Draft EIR Chapter 7, Biological Resources.
	6	Clean Water Act Section 401 Permit – Water Quality Certification	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to waters of the state is included in Draft EIR Chapter 7, Biological Resources.
	7	Waste Discharge Requirements – Discharges to Waters of the State	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to surface and groundwater quality is included in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.
	8	Dewatering Permit	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to surface and groundwater quality is included in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.
	9	Regulatory Compliance for Commercial Irrigated Agriculture	The proposed project does not include Commercial Irrigated Agriculture.
	10	Limited Threat General NPDES Permit	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to surface and groundwater quality is included in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.

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	11	NPDES Permit	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to surface and groundwater quality is included in Draft EIR Chapter 12, Hydrology and Water Quality.
Trainor Fairbrook for United Auburn Indian Community	1	EIR should explain the future process for evaluating the project-level environmental impacts of the complementary and programmatic elements.	The process for evaluating project-level environmental impacts of the complementary and programmatic elements is described in Draft EIR Chapter 4, Approach.
	2	EIR should provide additional details of complementary and programmatic elements.	Complementary and programmatic elements are presented in Draft EIR Chapter 3, Project Description, and evaluated in the various resource sections as appropriate.
	3	Project description should define whether windrow composting will continue to be used or whether other methods of composting are being considered for the expanded composting operations.	The expanded and redesigned organics management operation for Plan Concepts 1 and 2 is included in Draft EIR Chapter 3, Project Description, in Sections 3.5.2.2 and 3.6.2.2.
	4	Project description should define the source and method of daily cover or alternative daily cover (ADC).	A discussion of the use of ADC is included in Draft EIR Chapter 1, Introduction, and Chapter 3, Project Description.
	5	Aesthetics. EIR should include visual simulations, particularly views from the east along Athens Avenue.	A discussion of the potential for the proposed project to result in impacts to visual aesthetics is included in Draft EIR Chapter 5, Aesthetics.
	6	Air Quality. Evaluation should consider odor impacts to surrounding uses, including the entertainment district in the proposed Sunset Area Plan.	A discussion of potential odor impacts associated with the proposed project is included in Draft EIR Chapter 6, Air Quality.
	7	Traffic. EIR should discuss the volume and distribution of trips from haul trucks under existing conditions and future conditions. EIR should discuss future traffic impacts with and without Placer Parkway, if the first phase of Placer Parkway is not anticipated to be constructed when the project is implemented.	A discussion of traffic approach is presented in Draft EIR Chapter 16, Transportation, and cumulative impacts are discussed in Chapter 19, Cumulative Impacts.
	8	Traffic. EIR should discuss what measures will be implemented to prevent haul truck traffic on Athens Avenue in the entertainment district of the Sunset Area Plan. (Haul truck traffic on Athens Avenue in this area is incompatible with increased pedestrian activity.)	A discussion of traffic approach is presented in Chapter 16, Transportation, and cumulative impacts are discussed in Chapter 19, Cumulative Impacts.

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	9	Cultural and Tribal Resources. EIR should discuss the potential to impact cultural and tribal resources and the mitigation that will be employed during any proposed excavation activities.	A discussion of potential impacts of the proposed project on cultural and tribal resources is included in Draft EIR Chapter 8, Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources.
	10	Cumulative. Cumulative impacts should consider the proposed buildout of the Sunset Area Plan, Placer Ranch, and Placer Parkway.	A discussion of the potential cumulative impacts for the proposed project is included in Draft EIR Chapter 19, Cumulative Impacts.
Caltrans	1	 Highway Operations Provide existing and project buildout vehicular and truck trip generations volumes, distribution patterns and comparison. Analyze State Route (SR)-65 ramp intersections with Sunset Boulevard and Twelve Bridges Drive under both without and with project conditions. The analysis should include intersection delay Level of Service and queue under existing and project buildout conditions, per Caltrans Traffic Impact Study Guide. Caltrans may request analysis of additional facilities or reduce scope based on the expected added volumes to State Highway System. Analyze the feasibility of the eastbound Twelve Bridges Drive direct on-ramp to southbound SR65 construction, per the previously prepared cooperative agreement. Analyze without and with project Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT). 	A discussion of traffic approach is presented in Draft EIR Chapter 16, Transportation.

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	2	Freeway Assuming the operation of a landfill, the proposed project will generate some number of trips in addition to some large truck trips; therefore, it will have an impact on the State Highway System. This landfill serves the cities of Roseville, Rocklin and Loomis, SR-65 often operates at or near capacity often. Therefore, Caltrans is requesting for a Transportation Impact Study (TIS) which should include the following:	A discussion of traffic approach is presented in Draft EIR Chapter 16, Transportation.	
		 The Caltrans future Route 65 HOV project (EA 03-1F170) should be included in the future analysis. 		
		 Analysis of NB 65 and SB 65 offramp terminals at Galleria Blvd., Pleasant Grove Blvd., Blue Oaks Blvd., Sunset Blvd., Whitney Ranch Pkwy (NB only), Twelve Bridges Or., Lincoln Blvd., and Ferrari Ranch Rd. interchanges. 		
		 Include offramp queue length analysis for the Junction of Route 65 and 1-80. 		
		 Include offramp queue length analysis for Galleria Blvd., Pleasant Grove Blvd, Blue Oaks Blvd., Sunset Blvd., Whitney Ranch Pkwy (NB only), Twelve Bridges Dr., Lincoln Blvd., and Ferrari Ranch Rd. interchanges. 		
		 Analysis of merge and diverge for the Junction of Route 65 and 1-80. 		
		 Analysis of merge and diverge for Galleria Blvd., Pleasant Grove Blvd., Blue Oaks Blvd., Sunset Blvd., Whitney Ranch Pkwy, Twelve Bridges Dr., Lincoln Blvd., and Ferrari Ranch Rd. interchanges. 		
		 The Transportation Impact Study should include the VMT analysis which includes VMT per capita, and the average VMT per capita for the surrounding area. 		
		 Evaluation of elements of multi-modal transportation system including bicycle paths, pedestrian and public transportation facilities. 		

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