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- Subject Proposed Dump off Missouri Flat Rd in Diamond Springs

To Supervisors Rusty Dupray, Helen Baumann Jack Sweeney, Ron Briggs, and Norma Santiago,

On Friday, I read a letter to the editor in the Mt. Democrat about the county's plans to put a big dump right in Diamond Springs Industrial Park on Industrial Way, accessed off Missouri Flat Rd.

Notices about this went out only to businesses within 500' of the proposed dump and not to residences. Gee, as if we don't all drive down Missouri Flat Rd. Can you imagine the traffic mess with vehicles queuing up to turn into the dump?

Even with a signal at Industrial Way, the extra traffic would make it harder for customers to turn into businesses wherever there weren't signals. Not very friendly toward the small businesses. Not a nice thing for those of us who use Missouri Flat Rd.

One of the reasons stated for moving the dump was to alleviate traffic. Huh? The traffic to the current dump site does not appear to be a problem. Jamming up traffic on Missouri Flat Rd. would be a nightmare.

Why is this being proposed? The current dump site appears to be adequate. How would that site be used if the dump were moved? Are there some commercial interests here that the public should be informed about?

I plan to forward this information to all my family and friends and ask them to do the same. I hope everyone who hears of this plan will:

- 1. Attend the public meeting when it occurs.
- 2. Sign up for notices of the public meeting at: http://www.co.el-dorado.ca.us/planning/
- Take a look at the county's plan at <u>www.co.el-dorado.us/Planning/pdf/MRF\_Relocation\_NOP.pdf</u> (also attached)
- 4. Call or email your supervisors:
  - Rusty Dupray at bosone@co.el-dorado.ca.us
  - Helen Baumann at bostwo@co.el-dorado.ca.us
  - Jack Sweeney at <u>bosthree@co.el-dorado.ca.us</u>
  - Ron Briggs at <u>bosfour@co.el-dorado.ca.us</u>
  - Norma Santiago at <u>bosfive@co.el-dorado.ca.us</u>

5. Call your Supervisor or Jack Sweeney, who represents the district where the planned dump would

be located. You can reach him at (530) 621-5652.

- Send emails with to the Editor at the Mt. Democrat at <u>plakey@mtdemocrat.com</u>
   Sign the petition (at Gold Country Hair Salon on Missouri Flat Rd. or call Becky Long at 621-2123).
- 8. Let other people who care about the future of Diamond Springs know about this. If enough of us let the county know we're not happy about this project, maybe our voices will be heard.

I hope you will listen to the people who elected you and who care about the future of this area.

Sincerely, Mary Humphrey

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#### NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP) OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING FOR THE WESTERN EL DORADO COUNTY MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY **RELOCATION PROJECT**

Date:	December 20, 2007
То:	Interested Parties
From	El Dorado County Development Services Department - Planning Services

Applicant: Waste Connections, Inc. 35 Iron Point Circle, Suite 200 Folsom, CA 95630-8589

The El Dorado County Development Services Department, Planning Services (County) will be the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Western El Dorado County Materials Recovery Facility Project (Project). The purpose of this Notice of Preparation / Notice of Public Scoping Meeting is to obtain the views of agencies and interested persons as to the scope and content of the environmental information and analysis, including the significant environmental issues, reasonable alternatives and mitigation measures that should be included in the Draft EIR. Applicable agencies will need to use the EIR when considering related permits or other approvals. The project description, location, and the potential environmental effects are described in the attached materials. As provided in State CEQA Guidelines section 15060(d), based on the potential for significant impacts, an EIR is deemed necessary and a separate Initial Study has not been prepared.

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, written comments must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. Submittal of electronic copies of comments in MS Word format is also appreciated. Please send your comments or email to:

> Jason Hade, Senior Planner County of El Dorado Development Services Department, Planning Services 2850 Fairlane Court, Building "C" Placerville, CA 95667 jason.hade@co.el-dorado.ca.us

The County will conduct two public scoping meetings for the proposed Project to provide additional information and receive oral and written input on the scope and content of the Draft EIR. The format of the meetings will include a brief overview of the Project by the County and its consultant(s) followed by an informal question/answer session. The scoping meetings will be held at the time and place listed below:

DATE: January 24, 2008

TIME:

2:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION:

El Dorado County Planning Commission Hearing Room 2850 Fairlane Court, Building "C" Placerville, CA 95667

Signature:

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Date: December 20, 2007

Jason Hade, AICP, Senior Planner Planning Services County of El Dorado Development Services Department

# NOTICE OF PREPARATION (NOP) OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE WESTERN EL DORADO COUNTY MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY RELOCATION PROJECT

The Project Applicant will be preparing an Environmental Impart Report (EIR) for the proposed Western El Dorado County Materials Recovery Facility Project (Project) for the El Dorado County Development Services Department (County).

**Location:** The Project site is a 17.9-acre portion of a 32-acre vacant parcel (APN 329-240-49) located on Industrial Drive in unincorporated El Dorado County (see Exhibits 1 and 2). The site roughly corresponds with the northeastern corner of Section 25, Township 10 N, Range 10 E (Mount Diablo Baseline and Principal Meridian) on the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) *Placerville* 7.5-minute quadrangle.

#### **Project Description**

The Applicant is proposing to relocate the Western El Dorado County Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) from its existing location at the southern terminus of Throwitaway Drive to a vacant, 17.9-acre industrially zoned site located at the terminus of Industrial Drive. The proposed Project would consist of two major actions: demolition of the existing MRF on Throwitaway Drive and construction / operation of the proposed new MRF on Industrial Drive.

The proposed MRF would consist of an enclosed, state-of-the-art facility that would comply with State requirements for solid waste handling, transfer, and processing operations as outlined in Division 7, Title 14 CCR. The design of the proposed MRF would restrict the unloading area to as small an area as practicable, provide adequate control of windblown material, and minimize the propagation or attraction of flies, rodents or other vectors. The proposed MRF would consist of three principle buildings: an enclosed 45,000 square foot recycling center, a 15,000 square foot truck maintenance facility, and a 6,000 square foot office (see Exhibit 3). Other structures would include a scale house and masonry annex. The structural elements of the proposed MRF would be sited on the central and western portions of APN 329-240-49, south of Industrial Drive. The Applicant proposes to separate the MRF from the rest of the property and to allow for the future development of additional permitted industrial uses in the northerm and eastern portions of APN 329-240-52. Development of additional permitted industrial uses would be consistent with the EI Dorado General Plan and existing zoning designation.

The main waste recovery and transfer facility would be located west of the scale house. The structure would be approximately 45,000 square feet, with the waste and recyclable material receiving areas on the north end and material processing and shipping on the south end. The west and south sides of the building would be fully enclosed. The north and northwest walls would be open to allow vehicle offloading. Non-employee vehicles entering the site would pass through the scale house and proceed to their designated offloading or loading point and return through the outbound scale house unless directed to bypass the outbound scale house. The processing facility would be designed to manage 1,500 tons per day of material.

Similar to existing conditions, household hazardous waste (HHW) would be managed in a small 400 square foot masonry annex to the main processing building. HHW would be man aged by the El Dorado County Department of Environmental Services. Material would be property packaged, stored, and shipped for disposal from the Project site.

A green waste transfer and construction debris recovery facility would be located at the southwestern corner of the property. This facility would be comprised of a series of concrete pads and retaining walls. Green waste would be live loaded into trailers for delivery to regional compost facilities. Construction debris would be tipped and processed over a sorting line, as it is currently. Recovery wood would be hauled with green waste. Concrete and other materials would be hauled to a variety of outlets in the region for reuse or disposal (Exhibit 3). Grinding of green waste and/or wood waste material may occur prior to transport.

Access. All traffic would enter and exit through the main gate off of Industrial Drive, which would be fully controlled. All highly trafficked areas and parking areas would be paved with asphalt or concrete, as deemed appropriate. Truck and passenger car traffic would access the proposed MRF via Industrial Drive. The intersection of Missouri Flat Road and Industrial Drive would be signalized prior to commencement of operations to improve safety for the movement of larger trucks. A northbound left turn pocket and southbound right-turn pocket would be added to Missouri Flat Road to accommodate truck queuing.

**Proposed Operations.** The proposed MRF would include a material buy back center; household hazardous waste collection; single stream recycling; mixed waste recovery; construction demolition recovery; green waste and municipal waste transfer facilities; a bill pay and customer service center; and truck maintenance facilities. Approximately 125 people would be employed initially. The proposed facility would be sized to double the capabilities of the current operations (from 750 to 1500 tons per day). Hours of operation would be similar to those of the current operations. Currently, the MRF is open to the public between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., seven days a week, with some truck activity and hauling occurring 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

## Project Objectives.

The specific objectives of the Project Applicant include the following:

Objective 2a.	Relocate the County's existing Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) to a more appropriate, industrially zoned site and minimize potential nuisance conditions by constructing an enclosed state-of-the-art environmental management facility.
Objective 2b.	Construct a MRF that provides the expanded waste management capacity to absorb growth in

- Western Del Dorado County communities and meets AB 939 goals.

   Objective 2c.
   Consolidate operations by relocating the MRF and associated hauling and maintenance facilities of
- Objective 2c. Consolidate operations by relocating the MRF and associated hauling and maintenance facilities of El Dorado Disposal, Inc (EDD) to a single site on Industrial Drive and alleviating traffic issues in the town of Diamond Springs created by the current location.

Objective 2d. Provide single stream recycling capability in El Dorado County.

### Level of Detail for the Environmental Analysis in the Draft EIR

The Project will be analyzed at a project-level in the EIR. The analysis will focus on reasonably foreseeable physical environmental effects that could result from the planning, construction, and operation of the Project.

### Scope of the EIR

Pursuant to the State CEQA Guidelines section 15060, the El Dorado County conducted a preliminary review of the proposed Project. The County has determined that there is a reasonable possibility that aspects of the Project could have significant effects on the environment. Based on the potential for significant impacts, an EIR is deemed necessary.

Less Than Significant Impacts That Will Not Be Addressed in the EIR. Based on a preliminary review of the Project application, the County has determined that the proposed Project would have a less than significant impact or no impact on the CEQA issue areas identified below. The primary reasons for these preliminary determinations are as follows:

<u>Agricultural Resources.</u> The Plan area includes generally disturbed areas with much of the project area under existing industrial and/or commercial zoning. This factor, in combination with unfavorable soils and variable topography, render the Plan area unsuitable for agricultural use.

<u>Mineral Resources.</u> The Project is not located within a Mineral Resource Zone designated by the State, and would not affect resources that may be deemed to be a locally important mineral resource of value to the region and residents of the State.

<u>Population and Housing</u>. The Project would not displace existing housing or other structures. The new facility would employ a few additional workers beyond those already employed at the existing facility. The

Project is intended to accommodate planned growth, consistent with the General Plan, and is not considered growth inducing.

Potentially Significant Impacts to Be Addressed in the EIR. Comments and suggestions are requested regarding the following environmental issues that will be analyzed in the EIR. The EIR analyses will be based on, but not limited to, the \*Significance Criteria" contained in Appendix G of the State CEQA Guidelines.

- General Plan Consistency and Land Use Compatibility
- Geologic and Soil-Related Hazards
- Aesthetic Resources
- Air Quality, Health Risk, and Odors
- Noise and Acoustics
- Traffic, Circulation, and Alternative Transportation
- Biological Resources, Oak Woodland, and Wetlands
- Drainage and Water Quality
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Public Services and Utility Service Infrastructure
- Historic and Cultural Resources

### Alternatives to Be Addressed In the EIR

In accordance with section 15126.6 of the State CEQA Guidelines, an EIR must "describe a range of reasonable alternatives to the Project, or to the location of the Project, which would feasibly attain most the basic objectives of the Project, but would avoid or substantially lessen any of the significant effects of the Project, and evaluate the comparative merits of the alternatives." The State CEQA Guidelines also require that a No Project Alternative be evaluated, and that under specific circumstances, an environmentally superior alternative be designated from among the remaining alternatives.

The EIR will consider alternatives to the proposed Project, including the No Project Alternative, as required by CEQA. The development of this portion of the EIR will utilize an alternatives screening analysis, which will evaluate a reasonable range of alternatives, provide the basis for selecting alternatives that are feasible and reduce significant impacts associated with the proposed Project, and provide a detailed explanation of why other alternatives were rejected from further analysis in the EIR. The selected alternatives will be analyzed at a qualitative level of detail for comparison against the impacts identified for the proposed Project, consistent with the requirements of CEQA. Additional issues and/or alternatives may be identified at the public scoping meeting, in written comments, or as part of the EIR process.

#### **Requests for Additional Information**

If you have any questions, please contact Jason Hade at the County of El Dorado, Planning Services, 2850 Fairlane Court, Building "C", Placerville, CA 95667, by telephone at (530) 621-5355, or by e-mail to <u>jason.hade@co.el-dorado.ca.us</u>. Copies of this notice will also be available at the Public Scoping Meetings.

Attachments:

Exhibit 1:	Regional Location Map
Exhibit 2:	Proposed Materials Recovery Site
Exhibit 3:	Site Plan