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**Ordinance 5262, CHAPTER 8.42. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT**

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**Date** Thu 5/14/2026 10:57 AM

**To** BOS-Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

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To: Environmental Management Department of El Dorado County

Our family owns a Recreational Residence in the Upper Tract of Emerald Bay. According to our Permit, we may not use the cabin after November, when the Forest Service closes & locks the gate to our road. The gate is not opened & unlocked until sometime in May. Please amend Ordinance 5262 to exclude year-round solid waste collection for Recreation Residences in the Emerald Bay USFS Tract areas, as we cannot access our cabins for 7 months out of the year.

Sincerely,  
Susan S. Marquis  
Cabin 14 Upper Emerald Bay Tract  
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## Year-Round Waste Collection Fees for USFS Cabin Tracts

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**From** Russ Ballati <rballati@gmail.com>  
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Dear El Dorado County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing regarding proposed Ordinance 5262 amending Chapter 8.42 of the El Dorado County Code concerning mandatory solid waste collection.

As a cabin owner in the USFS Lower Emerald Bay Tract, I respectfully ask that the County modify the ordinance to exclude the USFS tracts from the mandatory year-round solid waste collection requirement.

The ordinance, as currently written, would unfairly require year-round payments for service that is not feasible for our tract for much of the year. Specifically:

- Our USFS permits do not allow full-time occupancy of our cabins, making mandatory year-round service requirements unreasonable.
- Our tract is generally inaccessible for much of November through April because the interior roads are not plowed.
- Our current seasonal dumpster arrangement is only feasible during the snow-free months. Snow accumulation from Highway 89 plowing often makes dumpster placement impossible for the winter months.

Given these physical and operational constraints, requiring year-round collection fees for properties that cannot reasonably receive year-round service is inequitable.

A modification exempting the USFS Emerald Bay Tracts from the mandatory year-round collection requirement would be a fair and practical solution that better reflects the unique seasonal and access limitations of our community.

Thank you for your consideration and for your service to El Dorado County.

Sincerely,

Russ Ballati

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**From** Mary Wernette Love <marywernette@hotmail.com>

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Attn: Environmental Management Department of El Dorado County

Regarding Forest Service Cabin (APN 018-030-002-000). We are locked out of access to our cabin by the USFS for six months each year and therefore only purchase waste service for the time we are allowed to be there. For this reason, modifying the ordinance to exclude the USFS Tracts would be the most common sense approach to deal with the Emerald Bay Tract areas within the ordinance boundaries.

Sincerely,

Mary Wernette and Ryan Love

Cabin 8 Upper Emerald Bay Tract

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