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# MRF 2.0

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This is in regards to Special Use Permit Revision S94-0008-R-3 / El Dorado MRF Renovation.

Some points that aren't being heard from people who live and work near the MRF's present location. There are residences and businesses surrounding the MRF on all sides. When it was being "sold" to us in the 90's, we were told that we would never hear it, see it or smell it. We didn't want to be NIMBYs, so based on what we were told, we went along with the plan to locate the MRF at the old Dimetrics site. What follows is what we and our neighbors have been putting up with since the MRF began operations in the mid 90's.

## 24x7x365 odors.

I've been to recovery facilities in other counties. Odors are a common problem. For the MRF in El Dorado county, which of our neighbors get the odor, depends simply on the direction the wind is blowing or the air mass is moving. Under stable high pressure, the light downslope winds bring the odor to our area southwest of the site. During hours of operation, one might expect odor. Why is there odor in the off hours? Simply because the site and its equipment and facilities are dirty. Do you have a garbage can you've been using for a few years? Even though it has been picked up every week and is empty, it still stinks. Unless you clean it after every use, it's going to stay that way.

#### Noise.

Beginning early in the morning, the noises from tipping and moving containers is quite loud. About the same as coupling freight cars. This continues intermittently throughout the day. More constant than those is the loader working in the "pit". It has backup alarms as do the other commercial vehicles over there.

### Traffic.

Traffic has steadily increased from both self and commercial haulers. Many of those choose to use a shortcut via China Garden and Lime Kiln roads. Those roads are narrow and heavily traveled. Consequences of which are increased litter and debris on the streets.

#### Planning.

In the future we have the Diamond Springs Parkway with planned retail development. Situated in the middle of that you have the MRF. Is that really a good idea?

#### Alternatives.

Perhaps the Wetsel-Oviatt site is a good possibility. There are no adjacent homes or businesses to disturb. Beyond that, there have to be many more compatible sites throughout the West Slope.

By far odors are the most offensive thing about the MRF in its present location. Imagine opening a window to let in fresh air, and instead you're greeted with the smell of garbage. It happens around here a lot. Please consider denying any further use of this or any



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other urban site for a MRF. It is incompatible and inconsiderate.

Thank you,

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