

Tulare County Department of Health Services  
Division of Environmental Health  
Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency (LEA)

Date of Notice: May 29, 2015

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

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DATE OF MEETING: Tuesday, June 9, 2015

TIME OF MEETING: 5:30 pm

LOCATION OF MEETING: Porterville City Hall  
291 North Main Street  
Porterville, California 93257

PROJECT NAME: City of Porterville Solid Waste Transfer Facility  
("Facility")

PROJECT TYPE/NUMBER: New Solid Waste Facility Permit  
Solid Waste Facility Permit # 54-AA-0045

PROJECT LOCATION: 555 N. Prospect St., Porterville, California

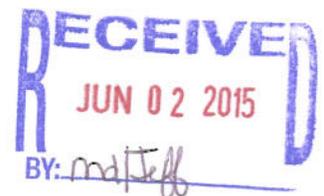
FACILITY CONTACT: Bryan Styles, Facility Manager  
(559) 782-7514

APPLICANT: City of Porterville ("City")

DATE LEA ACCEPTED APPLICATION: May 8, 2015

### PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

This Public Informational Meeting is provided for interested parties to learn more about the Facility and the proposed new Solid Waste Facility Permit and to provide comments to the Local Enforcement Agency ("LEA") regarding the proposed action. The decision to issue the New Solid Waste Facility Permit (SWFP) must be made by the Tulare County LEA within 120 days of the date the application was deemed complete. Prior to the actual issuance of the SWFP, the Tulare County LEA must request and receive concurrence from the state oversight agency, California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, known as CalRecycle.



## PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Facility is a Transfer/Processing Facility, sited on approximately five acres, located at 555 N. Prospect St., Porterville, California. The Facility is owned and operated by the City of Porterville Public Works/Field Services Division. On November 4, 2014, the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Facility was adopted by the Porterville City Council.

On May 8, 2015, Tulare County LEA accepted the New Full Solid Waste Facility Permit application package for review. The City seeks to expand the existing, separately-permitted operations – which consist of a Direct Transfer Facility handling up to 150 tons per day (TPD) of recyclable materials and municipal solid waste (MSW) and a Green Materials Processing Operation handling up to 200 TPD - at the Facility, as allowed by the Solid Waste Facility Permit, to include the following operational changes that are considered to be significant:

- Increase the total throughput tonnage from 350 TPD to 500 TPD.
- Increase the traffic count to approximately 136 incoming vehicles per day (VPD), including 97 incoming VPD in addition to 39 outbound VPD.
- Expand the transfer operations to allow the temporary storage of recyclable materials, MSW, co-collected residential green waste with food waste, or green waste, prior to transfer in trailers, roll-off debris boxes, or other vehicles.

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

State law requires compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) either through the preparation, circulation and adoption/certification of an environmental document and mitigation reporting or monitoring program or by determining that the proposal is categorically or statutorily exempt. The City of Porterville, acting as Lead Agency, has prepared the following environmental document for the Facility.

- Mitigated Negative Declaration – State Clearinghouse Number 2014101011 – which was circulated locally and through the state agencies. A Notice of Determination was filed on November 14, 2014.

The limits of the proposed permit for the Facility are as follows:

- Operating Hours: Monday-Saturday, 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- Permitted Tons Per Operating Day: 500 tons per day
- Permitted Traffic Volume: 136 vehicles per day
- Conditions to the permit include: An odor management plan meeting the conditions of the Odor Impact Minimization Plan required by state regulations.

The Local Enforcement Agency made a finding that the terms and conditions in the proposed Solid Waste Facilities Permit are consistent with and supported by the environmental document cited above, and consistent with the information contained in the Report of Facility Information for this facility that was submitted as part of the SWFP application package. Tulare County LEA finds that the proposed permit application to be acceptable and able to be approved.

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A copy of the SWFP application package and the proposed SWFP are available by appointment in the Tulare County LEA office located at 5957 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia, California, 93277.

If you have any questions after reviewing the above information or would like to schedule an appointment to review the new SWFP application package, please contact Keith Jahnke at (559) 624-7400. If you would like to comment on this project you may send your written comments to Keith Jahnke at 5957 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia, California, 93277 within 14 days of the date of this Notice or provide them at the meeting.

For information on the appeals process pursuant to PRC 44307, the statute is listed below:

*PRC 44307. From the date of issuance of a permit that imposes conditions that are inappropriate, as contended by the applicant, or after the taking of any enforcement action pursuant to Part 5 (commencing with Section 45000) by the enforcement agency, the enforcement agency shall hold a hearing, if requested to do so, by the person subject to the action. The enforcement agency shall also hold a hearing upon a petition to the enforcement agency from any person requesting the enforcement agency to review an alleged failure of the agency to act as required by law or regulation. A hearing shall be held in accordance with the procedures specified in Section 44310.*

After the decision to issue or deny the new SWFP has occurred, you may contact Keith Jahnke at (559) 624-7400, to further inquire about the appeal process.

