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Prima Deshecha Landfill Virtual Public Information Meeting FAQ

July 30, 2020

Q: What is the purpose of this public information meeting?

A: To inform the public about the Prima Deshecha Zone 4 Landfill Construction Projects and Organic Waste Recycling Facility (Project), to discuss the SEIR process, and to provide a forum to discuss the project. It also offers an opportunity to connect with OC Waste & Recycling (OCWR) team members with any questions.

Q: Is the landfill expanding?

A: No, the landfill property is not expanding. The changes allowed by the SEIR will result in site preparatory activities and additional waste management uses being provided on property already designated for future landfill development.

Q: What is the Project?

A: The Project is Supplemental EIR No. 2 to Final EIR 575 for the Prima Deshecha General Development Plan for Zone 4 Landfill Construction Projects and Organic Waste Recycling Facility. The Project components include: (1) concurrent development of the previously approved Zone 1 and Zone 4 landfill development areas, (2) blasting, pulverizing and off-site soil removal of hard rock material called the San Onofre Breccia located in the Zone 4 landfill development area; (3) imported soil for landfill liner installation that will occur with each new Zone 4 development phase; and (4) construction and operation of a fully enclosed source separated organic waste (food waste) recycling facility.

Q: What will be analyzed in the SEIR?

A: In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the SEIR will analyze several different environmental topics to determine if the Project will result in any new significant environmental impacts, or substantially worsened environmental impacts, not previously analyzed in Final EIR 575 for the Prima Deshecha General Development Plan, that was previously approved by the Orange County Board of Supervisors in November 2001. For any environmental topics that will result in significant environmental impacts, the SEIR will provide mitigation measures for these impacts. In addition, the SEIR will analyze alternatives to the Project.

Q: What opportunities will the public have to provide comments on this project? Where can I review the SEIR?

A: There will be several opportunities for the public to comment on this project. The public will have the opportunity to comment during the public information meeting on July 30. Also, beginning on July 23, OCWR will release the Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Draft SEIR, for a 30-day public review period. The NOP documentation will provide an initial analysis that indicates for the Project which environmental topics will be studied in the SEIR and which environmental topics are already sufficiently analyzed in the previously approved Final EIR 575. The NOP will be posted on OCWR's website at www.oclandfills.com, where the public will have the opportunity to review and comment on the documentation. In early 2021, when the Draft SEIR is ready to be released for the mandatory 45-day public review period, this document will also be placed on the OCWR website. Any members of the public requesting notification when the Draft SEIR is released for public review will be notified. Finally, once the Final SEIR is ready for consideration and potential approval, there will be public hearings before both the Orange County Planning Commission and the Orange County Board of Supervisors. Residents living near the landfill, or anyone else requesting advanced notification, will be notified in advance of both of these public meetings. Both public hearing notices will also be placed on the OCWR website.

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Gaxiola, OCWR Communications Specialist, at Kevin.Gaxiola@ocwr.ocgov.com or (714) 834-4151.



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