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March 29, 2011

Mr. Richard J. Bruckner, Planning Director
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Dear Mr. Bruckner:

**SUNSHINE CANYON CITY/COUNTY LANDFILL
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 00-194-(5)
STATUS OF INDEPENDENT MITIGATION MONITOR**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) is following up on the status of retaining contractual services for an independent mitigation monitor as required in Part XII.E of the Implementation and Monitoring Program associated with the Sunshine Canyon Landfill Conditional Use Permit No. 00-194-(5) (CUP). As provided by the CUP, the Landfill owner/operator is required to pay for all costs associated with the services rendered by the independent mitigation monitor.

Your Department's April 6, 2010, letter of response to the Task Force indicated that a Request for Proposals to hire a joint City-County independent mitigation monitor would go out within the month (copy enclosed). Since that time and for more than 4 years since the CUP was approved by the County Board of Supervisors on February 6, 2007, the independent mitigation monitor has yet to be retained. The Task Force respectfully requests a written response regarding the status this matter at your earliest convenience.

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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer of the Task Force at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,



Margaret Clark, Vice-Chair
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/
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Council Member, City of Rosemead

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Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning

Planning for the Challenges Ahead



Richard J. Bruckner
Director

April 6, 2010

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Dear Ms. Clark:

**SUBJECT: REVEGETATION AND ENFORCEMENT - CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 00-194-(5)
SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL CITY/COUNTY PROJECT**

I am in receipt of your letter dated March 25, 2010, and I have reviewed the concerns of the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force ("Task Force") regarding revegetation and enforcement requirements.

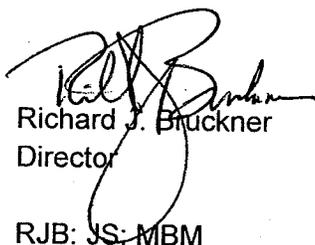
Most recently Regional Planning Staff reviewed the 2009 third quarterly report for the Sunshine Canyon Landfill revegetation project, pursuant to condition 44 (A) of Conditional Use Permit ("CUP") 00-194. A letter was sent to BFI on December 7, 2009, identifying several areas of the landfill (County side) where the current efforts are identified as substandard and need further attention. Staff indicates in the letter that subsequent vegetation quarterly reports must demonstrate that the recommendations of Chambers Group Inc. are being followed to address erosion, soil conditions, improve plant coverage and growth, reduce weeds and improve the irrigation system. Said letter, and BFI's response, is included as an attachment to this letter. Staff did not see improvements in the subsequent, last quarterly report of 2009 and has not yet seen the first quarter report for 2010, but will continue to monitor the revegetation work at the landfill.

As you know, the joint City-County Technical Advisory Committee ("TAC") coordinates and certifies the satisfactory implementation and completion of the CUP conditions. The TAC is made up of representatives from DRP, Public Health /LEA, Public Works ("DPW") and the County Forester. These Departments work jointly to enforce the conditions of approval, and a report on the revegetation efforts at the landfill was given at the TAC meeting held on March 31, 2010.

In addition, as reported by DRP staff at your last Task Force meeting, a Request for Proposals will be going out within the month to hire a joint City-County independent mitigation monitor, pursuant to the Implementation and Monitoring Program (Part XII.E) associated with CUP 00-194. This monitor will continuously report on condition compliance to both the City and County, and will provide further technical expertise in areas where County departments may currently be lacking resources.

Should you have additional questions or comments regarding the matters covered in this letter, please contact me at (213) 974-6401 or Ms. Maria Masis of the Zoning Permits II Section at (213)974-6435 Monday through Thursday between 7 am and 6 pm, or via email at mmasis@planning.lacounty.gov. Our offices are closed on Fridays.

Sincerely,
DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING


Richard J. Bruckner
Director

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County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works (Pat Proano)
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Attachments: DRP letter to BFI, December 7, 2009
BFI response letter to DRP, February 9, 2010