

Facility and Plan Review Subcommittee
Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/
Integrated Waste Management Task Force

Minutes of May 17, 2007

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Conference Room C
900 South Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, California

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nicole Bernson, City of Los Angeles
Betsey Landis, Environmental Organization Representative
Michael Miller, League of California Cities-Los Angeles Division
Mike Mohajer, General Public Representative
Ken Murray, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health
Carlos Ruiz, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Chris Salomon, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Charles Boehmke, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County
John McTaggart, General Public Representative
Charles Modica, City of Los Angeles

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chuk Agu, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Martin Aiyetiwa, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Sevak Khatchadorian, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Coby Skye, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MARCH 15, 2007 MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of March 15, 2007 was made. Motion passed with one abstention.

III. REVIEW OF REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 4 OF THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT

Mr. Chuk Agu gave a Powerpoint Presentation ([Attachment I](#)) on the proposed revisions to Chapter 4 of the Countywide Siting Element (CSE). The purpose of Chapter 4 is to quantify the solid waste disposal rate in Los Angeles County and address the disposal capacity need of the 88 cities and the unincorporated County areas during the CSE's 15-year planning period.

Mr. Agu's presentation focused on the major assumptions and revisions, the methodology for the solid waste generation projections, and disposal need analysis. Mr. Agu noted that in recognition of the complexity of the issues involved, revised table of contents, tables and figure were forwarded to the Subcommittee for information and feedback. The information and data contained in the tables and figures are tentative and will continue to be updated as new information become available. The current Chapter 4 revisions incorporate information from the 2005 Annual Report of the Countywide Siting Element of Los Angeles County. Based on Subcommittee's input, staff will prepare and submit the draft revisions of Chapter 4 for Subcommittee's review and approval.

The Subcommittee provided staff with comments and recommendations, including but not limited to:

- Consideration of new legislation (e.g., SB 1020) in the diversion rate assumptions;
- Re-examining the exclusion and impact of alternative daily cover on the disposal capacity need analysis scenarios in light of the pending closure of Puente Hills landfill in 2013;

- Increasing the conversion technology (CT) capacity in light of the City of Los Angeles' projection of 10,000 tpd of CT capacity by the year 2020, and 14,500 tpd by 2025;
- Consideration of potential import bans (e.g., Sunshine Canyon Landfill);
- The probability of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County's waste-by-rail project not being fully operational by the closure of Puente Hills landfill; and,
- Investigating and comparing other alternatives to the UCLA long term forecast.

Mr. Agu indicated that Staff would incorporate the Subcommittee's comments and recommendations, update the data, figure and tables, and re-submit draft Chapter 4 to subcommittee for review.

IV. OPEN DISCUSSION/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.