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August 30, 2018

Ms. Amy Bodek, Director of Planning County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning 320 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Ms. Bodek:

## REQUEST FOR SEMI-ANNUAL STATUS UPDATE(S) DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S REFERRAL REGARDING ODOR NUISANCE AT SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) appreciates the response provided by the Department of Regional Planning (DRP) in its August 1, 2018, response letter (enclosure) providing a status update on the Department of Public Health's (DPH) referral to DRP regarding odor abatement at the Sunshine Canyon Landfill.

As stated in your response letter, "both DRP and DPH have agreed to closely monitor the [Landfill] operator's progress in relation to odor complaints prior to pursuing a Notice of Violation (NOV)", and "at this time, DRP has not issued an NOV based on DPH's referral." While this referral remains open, the Task Force respectfully requests DRP to provide written status updates on a semi-annual (6-month) basis, or sooner, until this referral is officially closed.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a Member of the Task Force, at MikeMohajer@yahoo.com or at (909) 592-1147.

Sincerely,

Margaret Clark
Margaret Clark, Vice-Chair

Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/
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Mayor Pro Tem, City of Rosemead

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County of Los Angeles Department of Regional Planning (Tim Stapleton, Maria Masis)

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Sunshine Canyon Landfill - Local Enforcement Agency (Shikari Nakagawa-Ota, Maurice Pantoja, Dorcas Hanson - Lugo, David Thompson)

Sunshine Canyon Landfill Technical Advisory Committee (Lisa Webber, Jon Sanabria)

Sunshine Canyon Landfill - Operator (Chris Coyle)

Sunshine Canyon Landfill - Community Advisory Committee (Wayde Hunter)

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Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force



## Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning

Planning for the Challenges Ahead



Amy J. Bodek, AICP Director

August 1, 2018

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Dear Ms. Clark:

## STATUS UPDATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S REFERRAL REGARDING ODOR NUISANCE AT SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL

Your recent correspondence to the Department of Regional Planning (DRP) requested a written status update on the Department of Public Health's (DPH) May 30, 2017 referral to DRP regarding odor abatement at the Sunshine Canyon Landfill (SCLF).

As you are aware, the operator of the SCLF is subject to the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Stipulated Order for Abatement which requires the operator to meet a number of metrics aimed at reducing odor nuisance at the SCLF. Both DRP and DPH have agreed to closely monitor the operator's progress in relation to odor complaints prior to pursuing a Notice of Violation (NOV). At this time, DRP has not issued an NOV based on DPH's referral.

I recommend that you follow-up with DPH. As the referring agency, DPH may have more information to provide regarding this inquiry. Maurice L. Pantoja, Environmental Health Services Manager Environmental Protection Branch, may be contacted by phone at (626) 430-5595 and email at mpantoja@ph.lacounty.gov.

Sincerely,

Amy J. Bodek, AICP

Director

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c: Department of Public Health (Maurice Pantoja)

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