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East Otay Mesa Recycling Collection and Landfill Facility

A Solution for Modern Waste Management in California

Project Description



The East Otay Mesa Recycling Collection Center and Landfill Facility (EOMF) will provide refuse capacity to meet a portion of the total disposal needs of the San Diego County integrated waste management system.



San Diego County Voters approved the project by a vote of 84.49% (June 8, 2010)



The developed portion of the property will be 340 acres with 110 undeveloped and an additional 1000-foot-wide buffer established by the County of San Diego surrounding the site for environmental protection.



The state-of-the-art project consists of a lined landfill, landfill gas and recovery system, storm water retention facilities, mulch production and recycling processing, along with administrative and maintenance facilities.

Designed to Meet California's Waste and Recycling Needs



Designed in accordance with California's ambitious environmental quality laws.



Most advanced technology prevent water table contamination and greenhouse gas emissions, making it the most secure option currently available.



Private investment will ease the state's burden to fund the landfill transformations and reduce the burden on ratepayers.



Satisfies state's need to provide waste processing facilities in a geographically strategic location.



The closest residential development is 5 miles away.

Lack of New Infrastructure adds to High Cost of Living and Harms the Environment

- 2/3 of class three landfills that serve San Diego MSA are owned and operated by the same company.
 - In 6 years, there will only be 1 owner-operator in the region, owning 1 facility; Driving up the price to dispose of waste and recycle.
 - A monopoly in San Diego increases cost to construction, increases illegal dumping in the environment, and costs to residents and businesses.
- ❖ **East Otay Mesa facility will provide critically needed infrastructure and competition to stabilize tipping fees and garbage rates.**

Existing Landfills Not Meeting State’s Environmental Regulations

- As existing landfills grow beyond originally projected height and as the state increases environmental regulations, current landfills are struggling to contain emissions and runoff.
- Otay (CV), Sycamore, and Miramar have all been cited numerous times by the State of California for failing to contain emissions.
- Landfill disposal rates are increasing despite state laws aimed at reducing waste

Current San Diego County Facilities can’t meet Long-term Needs

San Diego has 12 facilities that process waste, most permitted mid-century (Pre-CEQA). 8 recycling and transfer stations and four landfills.

Borrego Landfill in Northeast San Diego County serves the desert community of Borrego Springs and is set to close by 2046.



Two of the largest, Miramar and Otay are set to close by 2030.

Sycamore Landfill, located on the northside, is set to close by 2054 and will be last remaining that serves greater San Diego. Will cause significant truck travel and emissions as the South Bay grows.

Project Location

- The proposed project site would be located approximately one and one-half miles from the City of San Diego, two and one-half miles from the City of Chula Vista, and one-quarter mile from the United States/Mexico border.
- Unincorporated South San Diego County.

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COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
 GUBERNATORIAL PRIMARY ELECTION
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East Otay Mesa Recycling/Landfill		Total	
Number of Precincts		1671	
Precincts Reporting		1671	100.0 %
Total Votes		472420	
YES		399127	84.49%
NO		73293	15.51%



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- The proposed project site would be located approximately one and one-half miles from the City of San Diego, two and one-half miles from the City of Chula Vista, and one-quarter mile from the United States/Mexico border.
- Unincorporated South San Diego County.
- Approximately two miles east of the Siempre Viva Road exit from Interstate 905, one-quarter mile from Loop Road/Paseo De La Fuente and east of planned State Route 11.

