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Local Enforcement Agency Approval -- Emergency Waiver of Standards -- Simi Valley Landfill and Recycling Center, 2801 Madera Road, Simi Valley, CA 93065 (SWIS No. 56-AA-0007)

On November 22, 2024, the Environmental Health Division (Division) as the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) received a written request from Waste Management Inc., (WM), owner and operator of the Simi Valley Landfill and Recycling Center (SVLRC), for an emergency waiver (Waiver) of daily and weekly tonnage limits due to the emergency conditions created by the Mountain Fire which began on November 6, 2024, in Ventura County. WM's request was submitted in accordance with Title 14, California Code of Regulations, (14 CCR), Section 17210.3.

The LEA approves WM's request for an Emergency Waiver of Standards in accordance with 14 CCR, Section 17210.4 and the following findings:

- This Emergency Waiver is in effect for 120 days, starting November 26, 2024, through March 26, 2025.
- This Emergency Waiver allows SVLRC to increase daily tonnage from 12,000 tons per day (TPD) to 17,000 TPD and to increase weekly tonnage from 64,750 tons per week to 119,000 tons per week, including recyclable materials.
- On November 6, 2024, the Ventura County Sheriff proclaimed a Local Emergency existed in Ventura County as defined in 14 CCR, Section 17210.1(j). On November 7, 2024, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a State of Emergency existed in Ventura County as defined in 14 CCR, Section 17210.1(k).
- SVLRC holds a valid Solid Waste Facilities Permit (SWFP) identified as SWIS # 56-AA-0007. All other state minimum standards and permit conditions which are not subject to the Emergency Waiver shall remain in effect.
- The LEA's approval of this Emergency Waiver for daily and weekly tonnage limits will not pose a threat to public health or the environment.

- SVLRC has identified, and to the extent feasible, will implement diversion programs to maximize diversion of disaster-related waste utilizing onsite C&D and organics recycling facilities.
- The number of vehicles per day and hours of operation set forth in the SWFP are not affected by this Emergency Waiver.

Pursuant to 14 CCR, Section 17210.2(f), the LEA may modify, cancel, or revoke the use of this Waiver without advanced notice if it is demonstrated that any of the following conditions occur:

- The operator's use of the Emergency Waiver will cause or contribute to a public health hazard or threaten public health and safety or the environment.
- The terms of the Emergency Waiver are not being used expressly for the Mountain Fire related disaster debris.
- The Emergency Waiver is no longer necessary.
- The solid waste facility operator is not utilizing disaster debris diversion programs to the extent feasible.

Within 90 days from the date of issuance of this Emergency Waiver and every 90 days thereafter for the effective period of the Waiver, the SVLRC shall submit a report to the Division in accordance with 14 CCR, Section 17210.5. Reporting Requirements for a Solid Waste Facility Operator.

If you have any questions, please contact Gina Libby at Gina.Libby@ventura.org or 805-654-2859.



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