

April 20, 2010

Gail Farber
Director – County of Los Angeles Public Works
Integrated Waste Management Task Force
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Re: Progress of Re-vegetation Efforts at Sunshine Canyon Landfill (SCL)

Dear Ms. Farber,

This letter is in response to the letter dated March 25, 2010, from the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force regarding the status of re-vegetation required by condition 44 of RCUP 00-194-(5).

In consultation with the Site's consulting restoration specialist Sunshine Canyon has developed the below Revegetation Work Plan. The Work Plan covers the Site's approach for approximately the next 12-months. The work plan is consistent with revised Coastal Sage Scrub and Interim Cover Revegetation Plan approved by the County of Los Angeles in 2008 which covers interim slopes, City Side Mitigation and County Side Mitigation. Sunshine Canyon Landfill will include and incorporate current best management practices the as part of the 2010-2011 growing season planting plan.

Revegetation Work Plan (Summer 2010 through Spring 2011):

Interim Slopes:

On and ongoing basis SCL will continue to apply temporary hydro-seed vegetation cover to all interim slopes projected to be inactive for greater than 180 days.

City Side Mitigation (Top Deck):

Ongoing:

The Site will continue schedule monitoring and complete aggressive weed control measures the through Spring/Summer 2010 on the City Side Coastal Sage Top Deck Area.

Fall 2010:

The site will develop a soil amendment seeding plan for the bare areas of the Top Deck for implementation in the Fall of 2010.

County Side Mitigation Plan:

Ongoing Efforts:

SCL will continue to regular monitoring by consulting restoration specialists; and

Modify or discontinue irrigation in areas as recommended by our consulting specialist.

Summer 2010:

The site will develop a solution to repair V-ditches and terraces which have been eroded and may impact the mitigation area during the rainy season;

Along with the consulting specialist, SCL staff will complete soil amendment test plots and prepare 2010 soil amendment plan; and

SCL will contact and consult with other landfills to inquire which mitigation efforts have worked for their sites, and may be applicable to SCL under its Current RCUP and Zoning conditions.

Fall 2010:

In the fall months of 2010, the site will implement soil amendment plan in a manner which optimizes the growth capability of the seeds or plants planted as determined by the consulting specialist;

SCL will implement seed plan; and,

Investigate and incorporate successful best practices revegetation at other consulting county sanitation districts and other landfill operations.

Follow Up on Other Orders and Conditions:

Condition 18 Updates to the Task Force:

Sunshine Canyon Landfill will continue to provide updates on the progress of revegetation plans and consultations with other landfills as part of the quarterly FOC reports.

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AQMD Vegetation Plan:

The site will also be conducting an investigation for Condition #9 of the SCAQMD Oder of Abatement. This condition requires SCL to augment existing vegetation that remains on the southern berm following the damage caused by the Sesnon and Sayre fires. In consultation with appropriate regulatory bodies, consulting restoration specialists and the impacted public, SCLF must submit a plan to the SCAQMD by June 1, 2009. SCLF will be provide the Task Force a copy of the Revegetation Work Plan once approved by SCAQMD.

Conclusion:

If the Task Force has any questions please contact Kurt Bratton at (818) 833-6504 KBratton@republicservices.com or Susan Jennings, Environmental Manager at (818) 833-6514 SJennings4@republicservices.com.

Sincerely,

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