

## **Countywide Siting Element (CSE) Revision**

Long-Term Solid Waste Management Plan for Los Angeles County

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## Notice of Availability

## NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING AND AVAILABILITY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT REVISED LOS ANGELES COUNTY COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT AND ITS DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

The Los Angeles County Public Works, in coordination with the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force, has prepared the following documents pursuant to the requirements of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939), as amended; and the California Environmental Quality Act, as amended.

- The Preliminary Draft Revised Los Angeles County Countywide Siting Element (Draft Revised Siting Element), dated July 2020
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  The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Draft Revised Siting Element, dated July 2020 (SCH No. 1995011048)

The Draft Revised Siting Element describes the existing solid waste disposal system in the County, estimates future solid waste disposal capacity needs of the 88 cities in the County and the County unincorporated area, and sets forth goals, policies, and objectives to meet the solid waste needs on a Countywide basis.

The DEIR for the Draft Revised Siting Element programmatically evaluates the environmental effects associated with the implementation of the Siting Element. Similar to the 1997 CSE, the Draft Revised Siting Element serves as a policy document rather than a specific development program. CEQA requires that local government agencies, prior to approving projects over which they have discretionary approval authority, consider the environmental consequences of such projects. An Environmental Impact Report is a the environment alconsequences of such projects. An Environmental Impact Report is a public document designed to provide the public, and local and state governmental-agency decision makers, with an analysis of potential environmental impacts to support informed

Due to COVID-19 and Safer at Home Order, Public Works is holding a series of virtual public information meetings to receive comments on the above documents. The public is invited to present oral testimony on the Draft Revised Siting Element and its DEIR during any of the virtual meeting dates listed below. You may also send written comments to sitingelement@pw.lacounty.gov, or by mail to Los Angeles County Public Works Environmental Programs Division, Pot March (2014). You may also call the Siting Element hotline at (888) 777-4775. Public review period is from July 1 through August 16, 2021.

#### These meetings will be recorded in English and Spanish

DATE		
_	TIME	LOCATION
Tuesday, August 3, 2021	6 p.m.	Supervisorial District 1
Tuesday, August 3, 2021	7 p.m.	Register at: pw.lacounty.gov/sitingelement Todos los Distritos Reunión en Español:
Thursday, August 5, 2021	7 p.m.	Supervisorial District 2:
Monday, August 9, 2021	7 p.m.	Register at: pw.lacounty.gov/sitingelement Supervisorial District 3:
Wednesday, August 11, 2021	7 p.m.	Register at: pw.lacounty.gov/sitingelement Supervisorial District 4:
Thursday, August 12, 2021	7 p.m.	Register at: pw.lacounty.gov/sitingelement Supervisorial District 5: Register at: pw.lacounty.gov/sitingelement

The above-mentioned documents and meeting recordings will be available on our website at <a href="mailto:pw/setingelement">pw.lacounty.gov/setingelement</a>. Copies of the documents are available for public review at Public Works Headquarters if open to the public, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., through August 16, 2021, at the 3rd floor Annex Building, Environmental Programs Division, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, CA 91803.

Individuals requiring reasonable accessibility accommodations may request written materials in alternate formats, physical accessibility accommodations, sign language Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at (626) 458-4081, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday (excluding holidays). Persons who are deaf or hard requests should be made at least one week in advance to ensure availability. When making a reasonable accommodation request, please reference EPD-3.







### La Opinión









### Public Comment Period

- Notice of Availability Posted July 1, 2021
- Comment Period:

July 1 through August 16, 2021



- Documents available at <u>pw.lacounty.gov/sitingelement</u>
  - Draft Revised Countywide Siting Element
  - Draft Environmental Impact Report
  - Environmental Justice Document



# Public Information Meetings

#### **Supervisorial District 1:**

- ❖ Tuesday, August 3, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Tuesday, August 3, 2021, 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

#### **Supervisorial District 2:**

❖ Thursday, August 5, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

#### **Supervisorial District 3:**

❖ Monday, August 9, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

#### **Supervisorial District 4:**

❖ Wednesday, August 11, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

#### **Supervisorial District 5:**

Thursday, August 12, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

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# Background and Purpose

- A long-term planning and policy manual
- Establishes goals and policies on a variety of solid waste management issues
- Provides analysis on the remaining disposal capacities for the planning period
- Identifies solid waste disposal facilities in the County





# Background and Purpose

- Required by Assembly Bill (AB) 939.
- Existing Siting Element was approved in 1998.
- The County of Los Angeles, under the auspices of the Local Task Force, has prepared
  - A Preliminary Draft Countywide Siting Element
  - A Draft Environmental Impact Report to accompany the document.





## Countywide Siting Element Revision

- Removal of Elsmere Canyon and Blind Canyon from the list of potential landfill sites
- Removal of Scholl Canyon Landfill from being listed as a potential landfill expansion
- Closure of Puente Hills Landfill
- Potential conversion technology sites
- Updated the goals and policies





### Task Force Review

- Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 18779 requires that the agency responsible for preparation of the preliminary draft(s) of the CSE shall consider Local Task Force recommendations and public input during the development and revision phases.
- Within 45 days of receipt of the preliminary draft CSE, the Local Task Force shall send written comments to CalRecycle and to the agency preparing the preliminary draft CSE.



### **Submit Comments**



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# Revision and Approval Process





Preliminary Draft Siting Element & CEQA Document

Public Review & Comment Period

Final Draft
Siting Element &
CEQA Document

Local Adoption & Public Hearing

CalRecycle Review Process

