

Waste-by-Rail Fact Sheet

Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Task Force – April 2025 Meeting

- **Waste-by-Rail Major Components**
 - Materials Recovery Facilities (MRF)
 - Local Intermodal Facilities
 - Rail Transport
 - Mesquite Regional Landfill and Intermodal Facility
- **Puente Hills Intermodal Facility**
 - Located in the City of Industry
 - Two train per day capacity (approximately 8,000 tons per day)
- **Rail Transport**
 - A train would transport containerized waste on rail cars to the Mesquite Regional Landfill using Union Pacific rail lines and an existing five-mile railspur to the Mesquite Intermodal Facility.
- **Mesquite Regional Landfill and Intermodal Facility**
 - Located in Imperial County near Glamis, CA
 - 2,290 acre facility
 - 20,000 tons per day (tpd) permitted capacity
 - 100-year site life with capacity for approximately 600 million tons of solid waste
 - 4,000 tpd may be delivered by truck from Imperial and Los Angeles Counties
 - Waste transported by train may originate from all surrounding counties.
- **Waste-by-Rail Startup**
 - The two intermodal facilities are already being leased and could not immediately support the WBR system.
 - Expect at least 1-2 years before operations can begin to allow time for purchases of necessary equipment, hiring and training of staff, and updating service agreements with Union Pacific.
 - In the next few months, the Districts will likely solicit interest in parties wishing to buy or lease components of the waste-by-rail system.