

SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL

Managing today's waste while protecting tomorrow's environment.

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Browning-Ferris Industries of California (BFI) and Sunshine Canyon Landfill produce and distribute this quarterly newsletter to keep the community informed of current events at the landfill. Each newsletter is posted on the Sunshine Canyon Landfill Web site www.sunshinecanyonlandfill.com.

Cityside Landfill Operations

The Cityside landfill continues to operate five days per week. As of September 30, 2006, approximately 977,494 tons of municipal solid waste has been disposed of this year. The average daily disposal tonnage is approximately 4,177 tons.

Litter Control

BFI patrols areas within one mile of Sunshine Canyon Landfill for litter control. Crews are sent out daily to assess and maintain the area. If you see litter within one mile of Sunshine Canyon, please call (818) 833-6500 and report your observation to the Administrative Assistant or the Operations Supervisor.

Treated Leachate

Leachate, water that has been in contact with waste, is removed from the landfill and treated for release into the City sanitary sewer system. Sampling of treated leachate is required by the Waste Discharge Requirements and the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation Industrial Waste Water permits. All tests show that leachate leaving the site is in compliance with standards set by the Regional Water Quality Control Board and the City of Los Angeles.

Revegetation Status

As required by the City of Los Angeles Conditions of Approval, BFI hydroseeded areas disturbed during the 2006 construction that are expected to be inactive for greater than 180 days. Areas impacted by the current ongoing construction also will be hydroseeded when the related construction work ends.

Groundwater Monitoring

Consistent with previous monitoring periods, the most recent quarterly groundwater monitoring data indicates low level concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and 1,4-dioxane in several of the shallow groundwater monitoring wells. This data is consistent with previous results and the unlined, closed City Landfill (Unit 1) is the likely source of the readings. The cutoff wall pump system, located near the mouth of the canyon, continues to effectively limit off-site migration. During the reporting period of July 1 through September 30, 2006, the facility pumped, treated and removed more than 2.1 million gallons of groundwater at the cutoff wall.

Landfill Gas Monitoring

Perimeter gas monitoring probes and surface monitoring results for August, September and October of 2006 indicate the landfill is in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations governing landfill gas control.

Stormwater Controls

At least once a month and following each significant storm event, the landfill stormwater controls are inspected to evaluate performance and determine if any repairs or maintenance are required. To date, the permanent stormwater controls have performed as designed with no significant repairs required. Temporary stormwater controls such as silt fences, straw bales, and sand bags have all been implemented in anticipation of the rainy season.

Notice of Violation

On September 11, 2006, The City of Los Angeles Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) issued Sunshine Canyon a Notice of Violation for inadequate daily cover. It was noted that several areas had 'day lighting' trash. A thorough review indicate that animals, including birds, may have attributed to the issue as there were signs of animals burrowing and picking through the soil cover to expose buried trash. BFI has taken corrective action including setting up observations to confirm animal burrowing during late evening/early morning hours. Further, BFI is consulting with biology experts on modifying such animal behavior. All follow up inspections were deemed satisfactory.

Hotline Report — (800) 926-0607

The hotline is operational 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Please report any landfill operational concerns you have or that you see.

Countyside Landfill Extension Permits

Currently, BFI is working on approvals for new Waste Discharge Requirements and a Solid Waste Facility Permit for the extension of landfilling within the County portion of Sunshine Canyon Landfill. The extension of landfilling is consistent with all environmental reviews and land use approvals already received for the landfill. The County extension will increase the disposal limits from approximately 120 acres to approximately 162 acres. The added lined area of approximately 42 acres is located entirely within the originally-approved 215-acre landfill footprint on the County-side.

*The staff at Sunshine Canyon Landfill
wishes everyone a happy holiday
season and best wishes for 2007.*



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Resources & Information for Sunshine Canyon Landfill

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24 Hour Sunshine Canyon Landfill Hotline: 800-926-0607

We encourage you to take a guided tour of the Sunshine Canyon Landfill to see first hand how the landfill operates on a daily basis. Tours begin with an informal question and answer period, and then a trip through the landfill. For general information or to schedule a tour call 818-833-6500.

Community Advisory Committee Meetings*:

County CAC: Meets on the second Thursday of every other month.

City CAC: Meets the second Monday of every month.

** More information about the CAC meetings can be found at www.sunshinecanyonlandfill.com*

SCAQMD 24 Hour Hotline 800-288-7664 ■ City of Los Angeles LEA (8:30 am to 5:00 pm M-F) 213-978-0892

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