

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 June 9, 2006, approximately 1,138,226 tons of municipal solid waste has been disposed since the landfill opened on July 27, 2005. The average daily tonnage disposed is approximately 4,952.

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, and 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 were 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 January 1 through March 31, 2006, the facility pumped, treated and removed more than 1.7 million gallons of groundwater at the cutoff wall.

Landfill Gas Monitoring

Perimeter gas monitoring probes and surface monitoring results for March, April, and May 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 and straw bales receive periodic maintenance and repairs until such time as they are no longer needed.

Hotline Report — (800) 926-0607

On March 18, 2006 an odor complaint was reported through the Hotline. The caller complained of 'bathroom/sewer' type odors in the neighborhood on March 5th and 18th, Sunday and Saturday, respectively. We informed the caller that we were not open on the 5th and opened only on the County side on the 18th. Our system and operational records indicated no issues and encouraged the caller to contact the sewer authorities.

On April 18th another odor complaint was reported through the Hotline. The caller, who lives approximately five miles from the site, complained of 'rotting stench'. BFI investigated the complaint and observed several large fertilizer piles only a few blocks from the caller's residence. The fertilizer was observed in front of the Department of Water and Powers yard on Rinaldi.

Replacement CUP

On June 7, 2006, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved the Replacement Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Sunshine Canyon Landfill, which will provide consistency between County and City entitlements. The Replacement CUP allows for a combined operation that will result in lower air emissions and pollutants, since less equipment will be needed to operate a single working face. The replacement CUP does not expand the horizontal limits or vertical contours of the landfill. It does not increase the already approved waste disposal capacity and it does not increase the already approved total waste intake rate. The Replacement CUP is one of the final steps in joining the County and City landfill into a single more efficient operation.



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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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