

# 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](http://www.sunshinecanyonlandfill.com).

## Cityside Landfill Operations

The Cityside landfill continues to operate five days per week. As of May 31, 2007, approximately 361,065 tons of municipal solid waste has been disposed of this year. The average daily disposal tonnage is approximately 3,328 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 1½ miles of Sunshine Canyon, please call (818) 833-6500 and report your observation to the Administrative Assistant or the Operations Supervisor.

### *Treated Leachate*

All tests show that the leachate generated by the site is being handled 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 continued to hydroseed areas disturbed during the 2006/2007 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 April 1 through June 17, 2007, the facility pumped, treated and removed more than 1.25 million gallons of groundwater at the cutoff wall.

### *Landfill Gas Monitoring*

Perimeter gas monitoring probes and surface monitoring results for April, May and June of 2007 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. The sedimentations basin recently went through preventative maintenance including removing sediment. Temporary stormwater controls such as silt fences, straw bales and sand bags have been implemented and are continually maintained.

There is a comprehensive surface water management system at Sunshine Canyon that includes four permanent sedimentation basins and several temporary basins to remove sediment from surface water leaving the site. There is also a concrete perimeter drainage channel system that prevents surface water from running onto the landfill, collects surface water running off the landfill and conveys all of this surface water into the sedimentation basins.

### *Notices of Violation (NOV)*

The landfill did not receive any NOV's for the period of April 1, 2007 to June 17, 2007.

## Hotline Report — (800) 926-0607

The hotline is operational 24 hours a day, seven days a week to receive calls about landfill operational concerns.

## Wetlands Mitigation Project – Chatsworth Reservoir

BFI is pleased to announce that we have reached an agreement with the City of Los Angeles on the final items regarding the land acquisition and long-term maintenance of the proposed mitigation at Chatsworth Reservoir. We will be working closely with the City to initiate the mitigation, which will create, restore and enhance approximately 40 acres of unfragmented riparian and wetland habitat.

## Adopt-a-Highway

To help enhance the areas around the entrance of the landfill, BFI has adopted the Highway 14 southbound truck lane for the next four years. We are confident that the collection of litter along this portion of the highway will improve the overall aesthetics of the entrance of the landfill.

## Mailing List

To remove your name from our mailing list, or to update your address, please email: [info@sunshinecanyonlandfill.com](mailto:info@sunshinecanyonlandfill.com).



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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](http://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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