

# **MINUTES**

# COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) for CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL

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## Tuesday, March 12, 2024: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Castaic Library - 27971 Sloan Canyon Rd, Castaic, CA 91384 Virtual (online) <u>https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/</u> <u>4d04fdb5-6184-4606-84e8-2b30e764195e@07597248-ea38-451b-8abe-a638eddbac81</u> or call: +1 323-776-6996 (Conference ID: 545 501 526#) To attend virtually (online), please register through the link above prior to the meeting

Request to speak forms will be available at the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Committee are asked to complete the form including the agenda item and submit it to the Chair at the start of the meeting. Speakers will be given 3 minutes, time permitting. Public comment on Items not on the agenda will be addressed under agenda item "E".

- A. Call to Order, Roll Call by Secretary, Approval of Agenda and Approval of Minutes for 02/13/24 6:11pm, Approval of Agenda with additions and Minutes 5/0/0
- B. Old Business: Discussion and Committee motions & possible action N/A
- C. New Business: Discussion and Committee motions & possible action:

State Representative Statements: Congressman Mike Garcia & Assemblywoman Pilar Schiavo

Congressman: Stressed EPA importance, sending letter to Governor Newsom to close the landfill and look for new locations.

Assemblywoman: State agencies meeting coming up next week and sent letter for State of Emergency. DTC upgraded toxic control as state and county hearing. Also community round table to move beyond the status quo.

1. Chiquita Canyon Landfill (A Waste Connection Company) - Update on odor complaints, Notice of Violations, and mitigation. - Steve Cassulo & John Perkey; SCS Engineers - Update on monitoring and mitigation - Ray Huff; CTEH - (Chiquita Canyon Landfill 3rd.party consultant) update on health assessment.

Steve Cassulo - Over 90 wells installed since July of 2023. 5 acres covered on 30 acres (lined). Temperature probes- 7 installed (tracking).

John Perkey - 28 days of study samples - Van and handheld units ongoing for 24 hours. February 21, 2024 UAO working with EPA. Chiquita Canyon Community Relief Fund - QR code and online link: chiquitalandfillcommunityrelief.com.

Committee questions and comments in regards to off-sight testing, relief fund and continued water monitoring.

Leachate - 1 million tons leaving weekly and batched off site, 20,000 per tank, 196 tanks. Storm leachate leak confirmed and reported.

Committee questions in regards to the integrity of the liners.

Ray Huff - Enhancing monitoring sites and grab samples for live data can be viewed on chiquitacanyon.com, look under reports.

2. AQMD - Updates on odor complaints received, Notice of Violations (NOV), "Order of Abatement"

Larry Israel - report February 2024 - 2,000 calls, 18 violations. report March 2024 - 900 calls, 7 violations. Thursday 3/21 hearing with South Coast Air Quality Management to address leachate conditions at 9 or 9:30am.

3. **US EPA** - Update from Thanne Berg

Thanne Berg - Community meeting is Thursday 3/21 at Castaic Middle School from 6-8pm. Issued unilateral order to control and contain reactions as well as off-sight impacts.

4. DTSC - Update from Department of Toxic Substances Control - California EPA

Katie Butler - Acknowledgment of local, county and state collaboration.

Zana Zimerly - 2/15 - issued order, 2/16 - prop. 65 notice, 2/20 - collected storm water samples and showed no hazards, 3/5 - Abalone hazardous waste visit: DTSC.ca.gov/chiquita-landfill.

# 5. Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board - Update

Jenny Newman - Received complaint of leachate off-sight. Preliminary review of report available. 3/1 - issued denial of order waste disposal cells.

Shawn McCarthy - Drinking water, supply company, water coming from upstream, 36 tank out of order since 2021.

6. Public Works - Update from L.A. County Dept. of Public Works

Nicky Esposito and Emiko Thompson - expediting grading permits.

7. Public Heath - Update from L.A. County Public Health

Nicole Quick - Report of Recommendations:

- 1. Improve H2S monitors
- 2. Increase benzine monitoring frequency

3. Network of wind monitoring

## 4. Local Enforcement Agency on behalf of Cal Recycling - Update from L.A. County Public Health

Sharkari Ota - Discussing emergency drilling on weekends for gas wall.

5. Regional Planning - Update from L.A. County Regional Planning

Alex Garcia - Clarification on CUP modification and settlement agreement. County issued and ensued all remedial issuances. Community benefit fund at \$777,000 balance.

Committee comments and questions.

## D. Public Comment on items on the Agenda C1 thru C8

E. Public Comment on items <u>NOT</u> on the Agenda

17 public comments

- F. Next meeting: April 9, 2024
- G. Adjournment: 9:00pm

Additional documents or reports may be accessed online at the following website: <a href="https://planning.lacounty.gov/public-hearings-and-meetings/chiquita-canyon-landfill/community-advisory-committee">https://planning.lacounty.gov/public-hearings-and-meetings/chiquita-canyon-landfill/community-advisory-committee</a>

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