

April 24, 2014

Subject: Prima Deshecha Landfill Update

Dear Neighbor,

As many of you will recall, OC Waste & Recycling had the opportunity to meet with Rancho San Juan residents on the evening of February 20, 2014. During this meeting, OC Waste & Recycling staff discussed the many best management practices that were being implemented and considered to address any inconvenience you may experience from our landfill operations. We realize that not all residents were able to attend that meeting and invite each of you to view the presentation provided that evening on the Prima Deshecha Landfill webpage located at <http://oilandfills.com/landfill/active/deshecha>.

You may have noticed trees being planted recently on the ridgeline between the landfill and Rancho San Juan, south of Paseo Carmona. OC Waste & Recycling staff recently planted 41 mature trees. It is our sincere hope that these trees will provide a windscreen and help separate our active landfill from your neighborhood. A photograph of the new trees is included here.

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a brief update on this and other efforts we have been working on since our last meeting and remind you how to contact us when any inconvenience occurs.

The efforts made by staff at the Prima Deshecha Landfill to benefit the Rancho San Juan community are listed below:

- The size of the disposal area is minimized to the maximum extent possible and loads of waste are buried as quickly as possible.
- A new ridgeline misting system has been operating from 10 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. to help contain any dust or odors from reaching your neighborhood. With the new trees planted, the misting system will be relocated to the west. This will expand our efforts to minimize the propagation of dust and odors along the ridgeline.
- The number of processed green material loads (loads heavy in organic materials) has been reduced from 12 to 8 deliveries per day. These loads are accepted and processed before 11:00 a.m.
- A misting system at the disposal area is in operation from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This helps to neutralize odors and prevent them from being released into the atmosphere.
- Wind deflection fences are placed upwind of the disposal area on a daily basis. These fences direct the wind high above the trash so that the misting system will be more effective in neutralizing the odors.

As always, should you experience any inconvenience from our landfill operations, please report it me immediately so that our staff can begin troubleshooting the issue as quickly as possible.

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Your calls and emails have been very helpful in identifying solutions to any reported inconvenience. Please continue to contact me directly for any reason. Thank you for your continued patience as we continue to work diligently to be the good neighbor we strive to be.

Finally, you may have also noticed the recent press reports about the La Pata Extension Project groundbreaking ceremony. As we noted at our presentation the extension project will cross the Prima Deshecha landfill. Work on this project will begin soon. For La Pata Extension Project information please contact OC Public Works at 844-4-lapata (844-452-7282) or visit lapata.ocpublicworks.com.

Yours,

Julie Chay
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Recently planted trees on the ridgeline between Prima Deshecha Landfill and Rancho San Juan--shown here from the neighborhood side.