

October 06, 2016

Ms. Nancy Ewert, PE  
Maintenance & Operations  
Kern County Public Works Department  
2700 M Street, Suite 450  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

**Subject: Emergency Waiver of Standards  
Ridgecrest Recycling & Sanitary Landfill  
SWIS 15-AA-0059; FA0007125**

Dear Ms. Ewert:

The Kern County Public Health Services Department, Environmental Health Division, acting as the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) for the California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) has reviewed your October 04, 2016 request for an emergency waiver to provide additional disaster-related services at the Ridgecrest Recycling & Sanitary Landfill (SWIS 15-AA-0059) for residents affected by the Erskine Fire. These services will include accepting and managing concrete debris from the properties impacted by the fires.

Your request included the following emergency waiver:

1. A waiver to exceed the permitted maximum tonnage of 701 tons per day.

Based on this review and pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Article 3, Emergency Waiver of Standards, Section 17210.8, we hereby grant a waiver of the request above with the following conditions:

1. All other State Minimum Standards and permit condition which are not subject to the waiver shall remain in effect;
2. The effective period of your waiver, once granted by our Division, shall not exceed one-hundred and twenty (120) days without prior approval by our Division;
3. Your waiver may be modified, cancelled, or revoked by our Division without advance notice should we determine that any of the following occurs:
  - a. The use of such a waiver will cause or contribute to a public health and safety or environmental problem.
  - b. The terms of the waiver are not being used expressly to handle the state of emergency or local emergency and are not in the best interest of the public health and safety.

- c. The waiver is no longer necessary.
  - d. The solid waste facility operator is not utilizing disaster debris diversion programs to the extent feasible;
4. Comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in Title 14, CCR, Article 3, Emergency Waiver of Standards, Section 17210.5, Reporting Requirements for a Solid Waste Facility Operator;
  5. The landfill shall meet all standards specified in the October 04, 2016 Emergency Waiver Request; and
  6. The landfill shall meet all storage and handling requirements described in the Construction & Demolition/Inert Material Storage Plan for the Ridgecrest Recycling and Sanitary Landfill (located in the Joint Technical Document). If these requirements cannot be maintained then the waiver will no longer be valid.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact my office at (661) 862-8775 or by e-mail at [marshallj@co.kern.ca.us](mailto:marshallj@co.kern.ca.us)

Sincerely



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Supervisor, Solid Waste

Enclosed:  
Request for an Emergency Waiver

cc (with attachment):  
Christine Karl, CalRecycle  
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