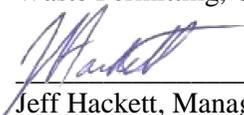


REQUEST FOR ACTION

To: Susan Markie, Chief
Permitting & Assistance Branch
Waste Permitting, Compliance & Mitigation Division

From: 

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Request Date: August 28, 2014

Decision Subject: Approval of the Beneficial Use of Waste Tires at Putt Putt of Modesto, Inc., dba Funworks, Stanislaus County, TPID No. 1558666-01

Action Due Date: September 29, 2014

Summary of Request: On July 1, 2014, CalRecycle staff received a beneficial reuse request from Ross Briles, of Funworks for the use of waste tires as shock absorbers/crash barrier at Funworks located at 4307 Coffee Road, in the City of Modesto. The supporting documentation was received on July 10, 2014. Funworks has been using tires for shock absorbers/crash barrier at their go-kart racing track since opening in 1993.

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) has regulatory oversight over the storage of 500 or more waste tires. Waste tire regulations address the storage, stockpiling, accumulation or discarding of waste tires to prevent the potential adverse effects. Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 17346(f) provides a mechanism for CalRecycle to approve the beneficial uses of waste tires if the proposed use does not pose a threat to public health, safety and/or the environment. Each beneficial reuse proposal is to be considered on a case by case basis and a decision is to be made, within 90 days of receipt of an application, as to whether or not the use qualifies as a beneficial reuse of the waste tires. An approved beneficial reuse of tires is not considered tire disposal or tire storage and does not require the issuance of a waste tire facility permit.

In a memo dated July 29, 2014, Albert Johnson with CalRecycle's Statewide Technical & Analytical Resources Branch documented his review and determined the information provided is sufficient to demonstrate that the waste tire are being used in a legitimate engineering application, consistent with other similar race tracks around the state. Mr. Johnson confirmed that the information submitted for the beneficial reuse of waste tires meets the intent of 14 CCR 17346(f) and recommended approval of the proposed use/project.

In a letter dated April 21, 1993, Darly J. Weitzl, Senior Planner for Stanislaus County, Department of Planning & Community Development, notified Funworks that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors approved the General Plan Amendment No. 92-12/Rezone Application No. 92-16 for Funworks, including the go-kart track.

Zak Goinies, with the Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District stated in an inspection report, dated June 4, 2014, that the Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District has no fire safety issues related to the reuse of waste tires for shock absorbers/crash barrier.

Recommendation: The applicant has met all the necessary requirements outlined in 14 CCR 17346(f) pertaining to the beneficial reuse of waste tires. Therefore, staff recommends the Branch Chief approve the beneficial reuse of waste tires in safety barriers at Funworks.

Branch Chief Action: On the basis of the information, findings, and analysis in this Request for Action, I approve the beneficial reuse of waste tires in safety barriers at Funworks.

Dated: August 28, 2014



Susan Markie, Chief
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