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Dear Mr. Pestoni:

Subject: Extension of Emergency Waiver of Standards

Site: Quackenbush Mountain Resource Recovery and Compost Facility

SWIS No. 17-AA-0014

We have reviewed the report for an extension of the existing emergency waiver of State Minimum Standards (SMS) for the safe and proper disposal of waste created in the recent fires in Lake County. These fires destroyed over 1,200 structures.

The emergency waiver request proposes to temporarily suspend the daily maximum tonnage, and processed and unprocessed CDI debris storage volumes and storage time limits (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 7, Article 5.9, Sections 17383.6 (a), 17383.6 (b) and 17383.6 (c)) at Quackenbush Mountain Resource Recovery and Compost Facility for disaster related CDI debris. In addition, the emergency waiver request proposes to modify the permitted area and design capacity for transfer/processing operations. (Note that the total permitted area (23.5 acres) and total permitted design capacity (84,000 cubic yards) are to remain as permitted.) Based upon this review and pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Article 3, Emergency Waiver of Standards, Section 17210.8 et seq., we hereby grant an extension of the waiver of the SMS requested above for a period up to ninety days from the original expiration date of May 6, 2016 with the following conditions:

The information that you provided to our office in your letter dated May 4, 2016 and subsequent report has been received and reviewed. Based upon this review and pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Article 3, Emergency Waiver of Standards, Section 17210.8 et seq., we hereby grant an extension of the waiver of the SMS requested above for a period up to ninety (90) days with the following conditions:

1. All other State Minimum Standards and permit conditions which are not subject to the waiver shall remain in effect.
2. The effective period of this extended waiver, as granted by our Department, shall not exceed ninety (90) days without prior approval from our Department.
3. Your waiver may be modified, cancelled, or revoked by our Department 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 hazard 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.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding the requirements, please contact myself or Christina Gearhart at (707) 263-1164.

Sincerely,



Raymond Ruminski, REHS
Director of Environmental Health Services
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