



City of El Segundo

Office of the Mayor

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Margo Reid Brown
Chairperson
California Integrated Waste Management Board
1001 I Street, 25th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95812

Re: Sunshine Canyon Landfill Combined Permit

Dear Chairwoman Brown:

I am writing to encourage your speedy approval of the application to merge operations of the City and County landfills at Sunshine Canyon. Although the landfill is partially in the City of Los Angeles, the decisions you make affect all cities in Southern California.

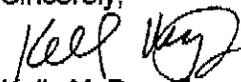
Two certified Environmental Impact Reports have favored a combined City/County landfill at Sunshine Canyon. They were approved to operate one landfill at the location instead of two because that is the most environmentally responsible manner of operation. Combining the City and County operations at Sunshine Canyon will lead to less pollution and fewer carbon emissions - one of the leading contributors to global warming.

California has been a leader in the fight against global warming. Our efforts to reduce greenhouse gasses have not come easily, and each of us fights daily to reduce our carbon footprint at the local level.

We must think globally, but act locally—which is the exact opposite of what is done by delaying the consolidation of operations at Sunshine Canyon. Maintaining the status quo will mean two operating faces, two times the pollution, and it potentially will extend the life of the landfill by forcing solid waste trucks to other faraway landfills—further increasing congestion on our freeways and pollution in our region's air.

California has been a leader in protecting the environment. It is time to take two steps forward, rather than one step back, and move ahead with combining the operations at Sunshine Canyon Landfill.

Sincerely,


Kelly McDowell
Mayor

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