RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2014-637

MEETING: December 9, 2014

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Doug Wilson, Interim Public Works Director

RE: Change the Days of Operation for the Landfill and Transfer Stations

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Change the Regular Days of Operation for the Mariposa County Landfill from Thursday through Monday to Tuesday through Saturday Effective February 1, 2015, Change the Transfer Station Days of Operation to be Closed on Sundays; and Rescind Resolution 12-587, Holiday Schedule for the Solid Waste Division Personnel.

This item was presented to the Board of Supervisors on September 9, 2014. At that time, the Board requested Public Works/Solid Waste Division to obtain public input. A survey was created and posted online as well as at the Landfill. There were 1,175 responses received to the survey. Results are attached.

Currently, the Landfill is open Thursday through Monday (closed Tuesday and Wednesday). Staff is proposing the Landfill be open Tuesday through Saturday (closed Sunday and Monday). The Fish Camp Transfer Station is currently open on Sunday; staff proposes to be open on Saturday (closed Sunday). The Don Pedro Transfer Station is currently open Thursday, Saturday and Sunday; staff is proposing to be open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday (closed Sunday).

These changes will allow employees to have one weekend day (Sunday) off to spend time with their families. According to the Solid Waste/Recycling Manager, most frequently in the industry when waste facilities that are closed to the public for two days a week, they do so on Sunday and Monday. If approved, this change will provide the public the same amount of service days and would allow everyone's waste and recycling needs to be met.

If the Board approves the requested changes to the days of operation of the Landfill, the current holiday schedule will need to be rescinded (Resolution No. 12-587). Currently, staff has the Monday off prior to any holiday that falls on a Tuesday or Wednesday as the Landfill is closed on these two days. With the proposed change of days of operation, staff would take Tuesday off following any holiday that falls on a Sunday or Monday.
There are four holidays during the year that are celebrated on a specific date that may fall on a Saturday (New Year's Day, Independence Day, Veteran's Day and Christmas Day). Staff recognizes that approximately once every seven years each of these holidays will fall on a Saturday leaving the Landfill closed for a full weekend. Because this happens so infrequently, it is proposed that the Saturday holiday be recognized and staff will be allowed to take that day off.

Public Works has notified the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) and obtained their support in this effort.

**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**
Days of operation of the Landfill and Transfer Stations were established several years ago. To date, there has been no request to change the days of operation.

**ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**
Do not approve; the days of operation at the Mariposa County Landfill will remain as they are.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**
No financial impact

**ATTACHMENTS:**
Landfill Survey (PDF)
Landfill Survey Results (PDF)

**CAO RECOMMENDATION**
Requested Action Recommended

Mary Hodson, Interim CAO 12/2/2014

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
**MOVER:** Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
**SECONDER:** Lee Stetson, District I Supervisor
**AYES:** Stetson, Jones, Bibby, Cann, Carrier