

DEPARTMENT: Public Works By: Thomas J. Starling Phone: 966-5356  
Solid Waste Coordinator  
RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes\_\_\_ No\_X)

Additional discussion and recommendation regarding the State Mandated Evaluation Monitoring Program, Phase 2 Report (EMP/2) prepared by Einarson Geoscience, Inc. (EGI). This report is mandated by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board (CRWQCB) Waste Discharge Requirements and focuses on groundwater pollution and site hydrology.

Public Works recommends that EGI be authorized to prepare the EMP Phase 3 work plan as soon as possible in order to avoid enforcement by the CRWQCB (\$2,600 cost).

In a separate, but related issue, staff will discuss the impact of additional upcoming groundwater monitoring as mandated in the new Waste Discharge Requirements ("Blanket WDRs" per CRWQCB Order #93-200, which affects all landfills, and are in addition to the previously issued WDR's in Order #91-018). This requires testing for additional Constituents of Concern (COC's) once every five years at an approximate cost of \$10-15,000. Some COC's are already monitored on an annual basis in accordance with the existing WDRs and the EMP.

**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

This was first brought before the Board on March 8, 1994. At that time, the Board approved and authorized the Public Works Director to sign an Agreement with EGI to complete the mandated reports.

A copy of the EMP/2 was provided to the Board on November 9, 1994 along with a brief explanation (see attachment #1) of the EMP investigations's results.

Presentation of the EMP/2 and suggested EMP/3 work plan were presented by EGI and staff at the December 20, 1994 Board meeting. Staff recommended that EGI be authorized to complete the plan prior to the 12/30/94 deadline. At that time, the Board instructed staff to make a similar presentation to the new Board after January 1, 1995 as the EMP/3 work plan could cause the County significant financial obligations. The Board determined that the new Board should make the appropriate decision and directed staff to write letters to the CRWQCB (attachment #3). County Counsel requested information on the legal authority to require further offsite groundwater monitoring (attachment #4). The Board also requested staff to discuss access and drilling rights-of-entry with property owners who could likely be affected. Staff will provide a verbal report in this regard.

**LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

- 1) No Action., The County would avoid a commitment of future costs but would be subject to enforcement actions by the State, including fines and/or civil and criminal actions. The landfill operating permit could be cancelled.
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**COSTS:** ( ) Not Applicable

A. Budgeted current FY \$ \_\_\_\_\_

B. Total anticipated costs \$ 2,600

C. Required additional funding \$ \_\_\_\_\_

D. Internal transfers \$ 2,600

**SOURCE:** ( ) 4/5th Vote Required

A. Unanticipated revenues \$ \_\_\_\_\_

B. Reserve for contingencies \$ \_\_\_\_\_

C. Source description: Solid Waste Reserves

Balance in Reserve Contingencies, \_\_\_\_\_

if approved: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:**  
 List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

1) Nov. 9, 1994 memo to Board

2) CRWQCB Review of Phase 2 EMP (7ppgs)

3) Letter to CRWQCB dated 12/21/94 EMP (2ppgs)

4) Memo to County Counsel (1pg)

5) Budget Action Form

**CLERK'S USE ONLY**

Res. No.: 95-38 Ord. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Vote - Ayes: 4 Noes: 3

Absent: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Approved ( ) Denied

Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:**  
 This item on agenda as:

Recommended

Not Recommended

For Policy Determination

Submitted with Comment

Returned for Further Action

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

A.O. Initials: W

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board  
 County of Mariposa, State of California

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deputy

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

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TO: MIKE EDWARDS, Public Works Director  
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board *MW*  
SUBJECT: State Mandated Evaluation Monitoring  
Program and Water Quality Protection Standard  
at the Mariposa Landfill; and  
Resolution Number 95-38

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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on January 24, 1995

ACTION AND VOTE:

9:58 a.m. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;

10:11 a.m. B) Discussion and Recommendation Regarding State Mandated Evaluation Monitoring Program and Water Quality Protection Standard at the Mariposa Landfill; and Discussion of Upcoming Separate Groundwater Monitoring Required by New Waste Discharge Requirements (Continued from 01/17/95)

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Mike Edwards/Public Works Director, and Tom Starling/PWD-Solid Waste Manager. Mike Edwards advised the Board of his conversation with adjacent land owners and their verbal willingness to allow off-site well monitoring as mandated by the State. Following further discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Reilly, Res. 95-38 adopted authorizing Einarson Geoscience, Inc., to prepare the Evaluation Monitoring Program Phase 3 work plan and appropriating \$2,600 from Solid Waste Contingency for this purpose; and appropriating up to \$15,000 from Solid Waste Contingency for additional well monitoring of existing wells for Constituents of Concern as mandated in the new Waste Discharge Requirements/Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Stewart, Parker; Noes: Taber.

cc: Dr. Mosher, County Health Officer  
File

**COUNTY OF  
MARIPOSA**

**BUDGET ACTION FORM**

**DEPT/DIV:** Public Works

**CONTACT:** Michael D. Edwards

**DATE:** December 22, 1994

**PHONE:** 966-5356

**ACTION REQUESTED: (Check All That Apply)**

- Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the County Budget, or in any one fund of the budget, or appropriating Reserve for Contingencies;
- Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriation from one budget to another, or between categories within a budget unit;
- Transfer by Administrator: Moving existing appropriations within a single budget category between line items (i.e. services and supplies, etc.);
- Transfer by Auditor: Moving salaries between line items to accomodate variances internal to salaries; OR transfers within the County budget under \$50.00 to accomodate minor variations from the budget.

<u>FUND/DEPT/ACCT NO.</u>	<u>LINE ITEM DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT (FROM)/TO</u>
053-0404-651-1090	Solid Waste Contingency	(\$2,600.00)
053-0404-651-0418	Solid Waste Prof. Services	\$2,600.00

053-0404-651-1090 ~~S.W. Cont.~~ (up to \$15,000)  
 053-0404-651-0418 S.W. Prof. Serv. - up to \$15,000  
 per Bd. of Suprv. action.

Justification: See attached Board item.

Department Head Signature: *Mark D. Edwards* Date: 12/22/94  
 Approved By: Res. No. 95-38 Clerk: muo Date: 1-24-95  
 Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Auditor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**AUDITOR'S USE ONLY:**

Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Transfer No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ B.R. No.: \_\_\_\_\_