

Call, Notice, and Agenda

SPECIAL MEETING — BOARD OF DIRECTORS — COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS
NOS. 27 AND 35

To be held in the HEARING ROOM
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Los Angeles, California

TUESDAY February 14, 2006 At 9:30 A.M.
BRATHWAITE BURKE KNABE ANTONOVICH MOLINA YAROSLAVSKY
(Chairperson)

At the call of the Chairperson, special meetings of the Boards of Directors of County Sanitation Districts Nos. 27 and 35 of Los Angeles County will be held at the above time and place for the purpose of:

1. Recommendation: Approve minutes of regular meeting held December 13, 2005 (both Districts)
2. Recommendation: Approve departmental invoices as follows:

	<u>November 2005</u>	<u>December 2005</u>
District 27 (3)	\$7,968.26	\$4,228.60
District 35 (5)	216.85	(82.63)
3. Recommendation: Report on bids and award of contract for completion of Pumping Plants–Group VI, Modifications of Electrical, Control, and Telemetry Systems; authorize Chief Engineer and General Manager to execute contract upon filing of surety company bonds in amount of 100 percent of contract amount for faithful performance and labor. (3)
4. Recommendation: Adopt a resolution in opposition to SB 411 by State Senator Richard Alarcon (San Fernando Valley-Los Angeles) (both Districts)

Adjourn

DISTS. 27 AND 35-S

FEBRUARY 14, 2006

COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
DEPARTMENTAL INVOICE
FOR THE MONTH ENDED 11/30/05

To: County Sanitation District No. 27
(Org. Receiving Services)

Date Service Accrued: Nov. 30, 2005

From: County Sanitation District No. 2
(Org. Providing Services)

Date Prepared: Dec. 15, 2005

DESCRIPTION

District No. 27 share of expenditures made by District No. 2, the administrative District, in accordance with the authority granted through the approved annual budget and applicable Joint Powers Agreement:

DEBIT:

Operation & Maintenance	\$ 4,566.88
Joint Administration - Capital	5.44
Local - Capital	3,395.94

Total of all charges \$ 7,968.26

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COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
DEPARTMENTAL INVOICE
FOR THE MONTH ENDED 11/30/05

To: County Sanitation District No. 35
(Org. Receiving Services)

Date Service Accrued: Nov. 30, 2005

From: County Sanitation District No. 2
(Org. Providing Services)

Date Prepared: Dec. 15, 2005

DESCRIPTION

District No. 35 share of expenditures made by District No. 2, the administrative District, in accordance with the authority granted through the approved annual budget and applicable Joint Powers Agreement:

DEBIT:

Operation & Maintenance	\$	211.44
Joint Administration - Capital		5.41

Total of all charges \$ 216.85

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COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
DEPARTMENTAL INVOICE
FOR THE MONTH ENDED 12/31/05

To: County Sanitation District No. 2
(Org. Receiving Services)

Date Service Accrued: Dec. 31, 2005

From: County Sanitation District No. 35
(Org. Providing Services)

Date Prepared: Jan. 19, 2006

DESCRIPTION

District No. 35 share of expenditures made by District No. 2, the administrative District, in accordance with the authority granted through the approved annual budget and applicable Joint Powers Agreement:

DEBIT:

Joint Administration - Capital \$ 33.40

CREDIT:

Operation & Maintenance (116.03)

Total of all charges \$ (82.63)

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JAMES F. STAHL
Chief Engineer and General Manager

February 1, 2006

File: 31-150.13.10

Boards of Directors
County Sanitation Districts
Nos. 27 and 35 of Los Angeles County

Directors:

The consolidated agenda includes the following items for the special meetings of the Boards of Directors of the Districts meeting Tuesday, February 14, 2006.

1. Approval of Minutes. Copies of the minutes have been provided to each of the Directors.

2. Approval of Departmental Invoices. A departmental invoice is an internal document that transfers each District's proportionate share of expenditures made by District No. 2, the administrative District, on behalf of the participating Districts in accordance with authority granted through joint agreements. During the month, charges are made to a clearing account which is administered by District No. 2 and then are distributed at month end according to said agreements.

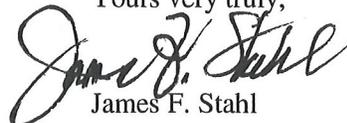
3. Report on bids and award of contract for completion of Pumping Plants—Group VI, Modifications of Electrical, Control, and Telemetry Systems; authorize Chief Engineer and General Manager to execute contract upon filing of surety company bonds in amount of 100 percent of contract amount for faithful performance and labor. The proposed project consists of replacement of the existing electrical, control, and telemetry systems at locations within various Sanitation Districts, including District No. 27, shown on the attached map. The systems are obsolete, deteriorating, and difficult to maintain due to the unavailability of spare parts. Actions by Districts Nos. 27, 2, 3, 5, and Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District are required to effectuate the work.

The pumping plants are titled and owned as follows: District 27 Pumping Plant, owned by District No. 27; Ruther Avenue Pumping Plant, owned by District No. 2; Rocket Street Pumping Plant, owned by District No. 3; Green Lane and LaSalle Avenue Pumping Plants, owned by District No. 5; District 32 Main Relief Trunk Pumping Plant, owned by Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District; Long Beach WRP Interceptor Pumping Plant, owned by the Joint Outfall System; and Pomona Nos. 2 and 4 Pumping Plants, owned by the City of Pomona and operated and maintained by the Joint Outfall System.

Bids were taken on a lump sum basis which affords an economy of scale that would not be achieved if bids were taken individually. The bids are structured to identify the costs associated with each plant, so that the total costs can be apportioned in accordance with each District's ownership.

4. Adopt Resolution in Opposition to SB 411 by State Senator Richard Alarcon (San Fernando Valley-Los Angeles). This legislation relates to the use of green waste as alternative daily cover (ADC) in landfills and the AB 939 recycling credits that accrue to such use as discussed in the January 11, 2006, letter to the Boards, copy attached as well as a copy of the proposed Resolution. The bill eliminates the diversion credit currently earned by cities participating in the ADC program. On January 9, District staff along with a coalition of other public agencies and industry representatives testified in opposition before the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality in the hopes of halting passage of the bill. However, the Committee approved the bill and it has been forwarded to the Senate Committee on Appropriations, where the bill was placed on the suspense file on January 19.

Yours very truly,



James F. Stahl

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Enclosures

cc: B. Richard Marsh
Samantha Bricker
Paul Novak
Norm Hickling
Executive Office (8 copies, one for PRESS with minutes of 12/13/2005 meetings attached)

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT
NO. 27 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

RE: AGENDA ITEM NO. FOR BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 14, 2006

BIDS were received at the District Office on January 26, 2006

FOR PUMPING PLANTS-GROUP VI, MODIFICATIONS OF ELECTRICAL, CONTROL, AND TELEMETRY
SYSTEMS

No. of Bids Received: 5

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
Leed Electric, Inc.	<u>\$1,866,859.00*</u>
Doty Bros. Equipment Co.	2,163,487.00
Shasta Electric, L.P.	2,883,518.00
Southwest Engineering, Inc.	3,544,000.00
Minako America Corporation dba Minco Construction	3,698,000.00*

*Mathematical error in bid. Correct total shown based on unit prices which prevail.

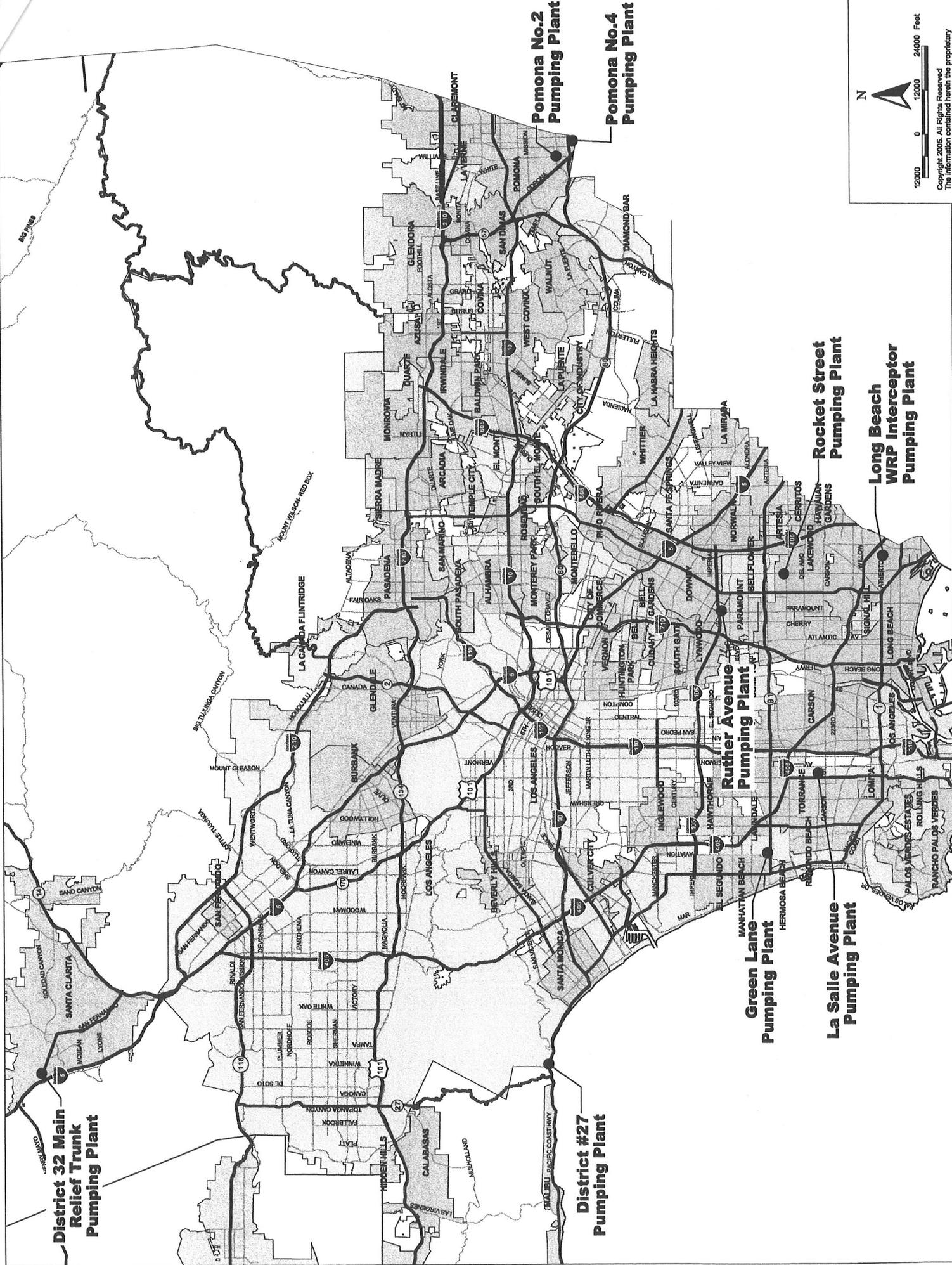
RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that a contract be awarded to Leed Electric, Inc., low bidder, in the amount of \$1,866,859.00. The total bid amount will be assigned as follows: District No. 2: \$897,513.00; District No. 3: \$141,252.00; District No. 5: \$307,123.00; District No. 27: \$96,839.00; and Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District: \$424,132.00.

Engineer's Estimate: \$2,000,000



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Chief Engineer and
General Manager



District 32 Main Relief Trunk Pumping Plant

District #27 Pumping Plant

Green Lane Pumping Plant

La Salle Avenue Pumping Plant

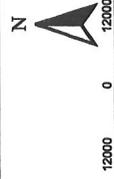
Ruther Avenue Pumping Plant

Pomona No.2 Pumping Plant

Pomona No.4 Pumping Plant

Rocket Street Pumping Plant

Long Beach WRP Interceptor Pumping Plant



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January 11, 2006

Boards of Directors
County Sanitation Districts of
Los Angeles County

Dear Directors:

Senate Bill 411 (Alarcon) (As Amended January 4, 2006) – Oppose Position

The purpose of this letter is to inform you about an issue I will be discussing with all of the Boards regarding pending legislation that would eliminate waste diversion credit for green waste used as alternative daily cover (ADC) at landfills in California. The bill would impact every jurisdiction in Los Angeles County as all are currently receiving AB 939 recycling credit from the ADC program toward compliance with the state AB 939 waste diversion mandates. Many of these jurisdictions would need to invest in new diversion programs, such as composting, which are more costly and more distant from the metropolitan area.

The Sanitation Districts developed the green waste ADC program about the time of AB 939 passage to give cities a dependable, cost-effective way to recycle green waste that would otherwise be disposed. The program was initiated to be, and has continued to be, complementary to other green waste programs such as composting and local mulch programs.

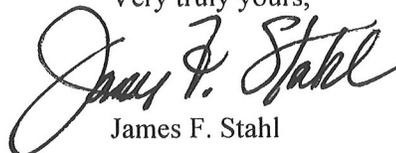
The Sanitation Districts have been opposing the bill as part of a coalition of public agencies and solid waste management companies that includes the League of California Cities, the California State Association of Counties, the Solid Waste Association of North America California Chapters, Allied Waste Services, Inland Empire Disposal Association, Norcal Waste Systems, Inc, Republic Services, Solid Waste Association of Orange County, and Waste Management.

AB 939 pointedly gave full discretion to local governments in choosing how best to comply with the ambitious diversion mandates. As you are well aware, local jurisdictions have invested enormous resources and extensive good faith efforts toward compliance with AB 939 and many are near or above the required 50 percent waste diversion. This diversion has been accomplished in part from all 89 Los Angeles County jurisdictions' participation in ADC programs as an important component of their overall waste diversion program.

SB 411 would remove the discretion of local jurisdictions to receive diversion credit from green waste ADC and force the implementation of new, more costly diversion programs to make up the difference. According to AB 939 reports, about half of all green waste in Los Angeles County is diverted from disposal through ADC programs. Accordingly, elimination of green waste ADC diversion credit would impact jurisdictions' diversion percentages and, in most cases, threaten cities' abilities to comply with AB 939. As you are aware, AB 939 provides for penalties of up to \$10,000 per day for non-compliance with the law.

The bill is tentatively scheduled for hearing in the Senate Committee on Appropriations on Tuesday, January 17, 2006, with potentially more hearings to follow. The Districts' Boards of Directors will be requested to adopt the attached Resolution at upcoming Board meetings. I strongly encourage each city to write to the Committee and urge the members to vote "no" on SB 411. Attached for your reference are a copy of the bill, a sample opposition letter to SB 411 and a roster of the members on the Senate Committee on Appropriations. If you have any questions, please call Steve Maguin or me at (562) 699-7411.

Very truly yours,



James F. Stahl

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Enclosures:

cc: City Managers/City Administrators

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO
SENATE BILL 411 (ALARCON)
AS AMENDED JANUARY 4, 2006**

WHEREAS, the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (Sanitation Districts) were created under the County Sanitation District Act in 1923; and

WHEREAS, the Sanitation Districts jointly provide for the regional management and substantial recycling of approximately one-half of the solid waste disposal needs of Los Angeles County and serve the wastewater management needs of approximately five million people; and the Sanitation Districts' service area encompasses 78 cities and unincorporated areas; and

WHEREAS, in their exercise of authority to provide the essential public service of solid waste management, the Sanitation Districts have developed an integrated system of solid waste facilities including three active landfills, three closed landfills, two refuse-to-energy facilities, three transfer/materials recovery facilities, two buy-back recycling facilities and four energy recovery facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Assembly Bill 939 or "AB 939") placed aggressive waste diversion mandates on local governments to achieve 50 percent waste diversion by the year 2000 and delegated discretion to local government as to how best comply with the law; and

WHEREAS, state law clearly establishes that the use of a waste product, such as shredded green waste, for construction of a landfill, including the use as alternative daily cover, is waste diversion; and

WHEREAS, jurisdictions in Los Angeles County have invested millions of dollars in implementing new waste diversion programs; and over the past fifteen (15) years, seventy-seven (77) jurisdictions in Los Angeles County have taken the initiative to implement separate green waste collection and rely upon the recycling of green waste for alternative daily cover for a significant portion of their waste diversion compliance; and

WHEREAS, SB 411 would result in the elimination of waste diversion credit for long established green waste alternative daily cover programs, and

WHEREAS, SB 411 would severely limit the discretion local jurisdictions are afforded by AB 939 and would require them to invest substantial additional resources in developing new programs to replace those green waste alternative daily cover programs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Boards of Directors of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County strongly oppose SB 411 and urge all of the members of the Senate and all members of the Assembly to vote "no" on SB 411.

**SAMPLE LETTER OF OPPOSITION TO
SENATE BILL 411 (ALARCON) (AS AMENDED JANUARY 4, 2006)**

Date

The Honorable Kevin Murray, Chair
Senate Committee on Appropriations
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chairman Murray:

Senate Bill 411 (Alarcon) (As Amended January 4, 2006) – OPPOSE POSITION

On behalf of the City of {fill in}, I am writing in opposition to SB 411 by Senator Richard Alarcon, which may be heard by the Senate Committee on Appropriations in the near future. SB 411 would eliminate waste diversion credit currently earned by the use of green waste as alternative daily cover (ADC) at landfills. This bill would severely impact local jurisdictions' flexibility and discretion in meeting state mandated diversion goals and undermine the substantial resources invested by our city to implement separate green waste collection and to participate in ADC programs for diversion credit.

State law establishes the use of green waste as ADC as a valid recycling program in which a waste material is used instead of soil for daily cover at municipal solid waste landfills. Green waste ADC not only reduces the dependence upon native soils that would otherwise have to be excavated, but also conserves valuable landfill capacity and provides a reliable, cost effective market for green waste.

SB 411 would arbitrarily remove green waste ADC programs as acceptable diversion programs which is particularly grievous given the significant resources expended in implementing this long established program. Our city would have to invest even further resources to implement new diversion programs assuming adequate facilities and markets are developed.

The City of {fill in} respectfully urges you to vote "no" when SB 411 is heard by the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

Sincerely,

{fill in}

cc: Committee Members, Senate Committee on Appropriations
Senator Richard Alarcon

Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee:

Senator Kevin Murray (Chair)

Senator Samuel Aanestad (Vice-Chair)

Senator Richard Alarcon

Senator Elaine Alquist

Senator Roy Ashburn

Senator Jim Battin

Senator Robert Dutton

Senator Martha Escutia

Senator Dean Florez

Senator Carole Migden

Senator Deborah Ortiz

Senator Charles Poochigian

Senator Gloria Romero