## **SUPPORT FOR H.R. 1179 (WHITESIDES)**

The Chiquita Canyon Landfill (CCL) is a sizable 639-acre landfill situated in the Santa Clarita Valley, and is owned by Waste Connections Inc., and operated through its subsidiary Chiquita Canyon, LLC. The ongoing Subsurface Elevated Temperature (SET) event, by which noxious odors are emanating from the landfill, has significantly affected the quality of life for residents of the surrounding communities.

To address financial pressures and provide tax relief to residents impacted by the CCL SET event, Congressman George Whitesides has introduced H.R. 1179, the Chiquita Canyon Tax Relief Act.

H.R. 1179 seeks to amend the Internal Revenue Code to exclude from gross income any payments received by individuals as compensation for losses, damages, expenses, relocation, suffering, loss in real property value, closing costs related to real property (including realtor commissions), or inconvenience resulting from the Chiquita Canyon SET event on or after March 1, 2024. Qualified payments include any funding received from a federal, State, or local government agency, Waste Connections, Inc., or any subsidiary, insurer, or agent of Waste Connections, Inc. or any related person. H.R. 1179 would consider these payments to be qualified disaster relief payments (QDRPs).

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer, through the Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations Branch, to support H.R. 1179.

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