

VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING NOTICE

Join OCWR staff at a virtual public information meeting about the proposed operational changes at the Capistrano Greenery composting facility.

Background: OC Waste & Recycling (OCWR) currently operates the Capistrano Greenery composting facility co-located at Prima Deshecha Landfill (PDL). OCWR is proposing various operational adjustments to the composting facility including: 1) use of Covered Aerated Static Pile (CASP) technology; 2) increase in daily maximum tonnage from 204 to 536 tons per day (TPD); 3) acceptance of food waste feedstocks; 4) allowance for chipping and grinding activities; and 5) compost giveaway events.

California Environmental Quality Act: In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Capistrano Greenery operates pursuant to a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) approved by the Orange County Board of Supervisors on May 5, 2020. OCWR has prepared an Addendum to the MND for the proposed operational changes, demonstrating that there are no new or worsened environmental impacts. The Addendum is located on the OCWR website at www.oilandfills.com/CapoGreeneryCEQA.

OCWR invites the public to provide comments, for more details on how to do so, please visit www.oilandfills.com/events/capistrano-greenery-virtual-public-meeting.

Public Information Meeting: OCWR invites community members to attend a virtual informational meeting to learn more about the proposed operational changes and the Addendum. Staff will provide a presentation describing the Capistrano Greenery and the proposed operational adjustments and will be available to answer questions about Capistrano Greenery and the related state legislation on organic waste management.

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Wednesday, December 13, 2023

6:00 P.M.

→ Visit oilandfills.com/events for virtual meeting details



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December 13, 2023**
PROPOSED OPERATIONAL CHANGES AT CAPISTRANO GREENERY

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: What is the purpose of this public information meeting and why should I attend?

A: This meeting is to inform the public about the proposed operational changes at Capistrano Greenery. The meeting will provide an opportunity to connect with OCWR team members regarding any questions you may have.

Q: Will I notice any changes from the existing landfill operation?

A: Prior to the existence of the greenery, OCWR accepted Processed Green Material (PGM) for use as erosion control or Alternative Daily Cover at the landfill, and also received, green waste from public haulers. In compliance with Senate Bill 1383, the proposed operational changes will divert green waste from the landfill to the greenery for composting rather than burial. In addition, while maximum daily tonnage will increase to 536 TPD, compared to the overall operation of the landfill, the greenery is a relatively small operation. As such, the proposed operational updates to Capistrano Greenery will not result in noticeable changes.

Q: What is Covered Aerated Static Pile (CASP)?

A: CASP technology utilizes a tarp system equipped with a blower allowing the entire process to remain covered. The tarp serves as an emission control, reduces processing time, conserves water, and reduces odors and vectors as compared to open air windrow composting.

Q: Where is the existing Capistrano Greenery composting operation?

A: Capistrano Greenery is co-located at Prima Deshecha Landfill
32250 AVenida La Pata
San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

Q: Is this different from the recent public meeting held for Prima Landfill on a proposed increase in tonnage?

A: Although co-located, the Capistrano Greenery is a separate facility and is permitted separately from the landfill. The proposed project is only for the Capistrano Greenery. It has its own independent CEQA document and has separate utility from the landfill.

Q: Can I get compost or mulch from the Capistrano Greenery?

A: The public can currently request free STA-certified compost and mulch from the Capistrano Greenery. Please visit the website link to schedule a pick-up appointment: www.oclandfills.com/compost.