

Resolution No. 07-044 Certifying Proposed Final Program EIR NO. 588 GKH:cg

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

April 17, 2007

WHEREAS, the County of Orange ("County") prepared the Regional Landfill Options for the Orange County (RELOOC) Strategic Plan which assessed existing disposal system capacity in Orange County, assessed future system demands and developed viable short and long-term strategies and options for meeting the County's solid waste disposal needs; and

WHEREAS, the RELOOC Strategic Plan recommended the expansion of the Olinda Alpha Landfill to provide for short and long-term solid waste disposal capacity in Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Orange County approved the RELOOC Strategic Plan by a minute order adopted May 21, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Olinda Alpha Landfill is entirely located within the unincorporated Orange County; and

WHEREAS, on January 8th, 2004, the County as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") issued a Notice of Preparation ("NOP") for the RELOOC Strategic Plan-Olinda Alpha Landfill Implementation Environmental Impact Report No. 588 ("Project") and caused the NOP to be distributed to all the responsible agencies, trustee agencies and the interested parties for the review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the County, in an effort to provide further opportunity for the public review and solicit public comments relative to Environmental Impact Report (EIR) No. 588, conducted a public scoping meeting on January 22, 2004; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the NOP for the RELOOC Strategic Plan – Olinda Alpha Landfill Implementation EIR No. 588, and the recognition of the comments received in the response to the NOP, the County determined that the Project may result in significant adverse effects and therefore Draft EIR No. 588 (State Clearinghouse Number SCH No. 2004011055), dated June 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found that although proposed Final EIR 588 identifies certain significant environmental effects that will result if the Project is approved, those significant effects which can be feasible mitigated or avoided have been reduced to an acceptable level by the incorporation of mitigation measures on the approved Project. The individual mitigation measures the identified for the Project are incorporated into the Statement of Findings (see Exhibit A) as a part of MMRP (see Exhibit B). For those Project significant effects that cannot be reduced to less than significant level, even after the incorporation of mitigation measures, a Statement of Overriding Consideration has been prepared and is included as Exhibit C; and

Whereas, the Planning Commission reviewed all documentation and materials comprising the Final EIR 588 considers all environmental effects of the Recommended Project and is complete and adequate and fully complies with all requirements of CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines and the County's environmental analysis procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the findings contained in the "Settlement of Findings and the Facts in Support of the Findings" with the respect to the significant impacts identified in proposed Final EIR 588. The Statement of Findings is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS; the Planning Commission, in the conformity with IWMD's recommendation, recommended that the Board of Supervisors find the Proposed Final EIR adequate and complete and certify it as a Final EIR 588 in the compliance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15090;

WHEREAS; the Board of Supervisors held a meeting on April 17, 2007 to consider the recommendation of the Planning Commission relative to certification of proposed Final EIR 588; and

WHEREAS, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program ("MMRP") has been drafted to Meet the requirements of CEQA Section 21081.6 as a mitigation measure monitoring program. The MMRP is designed to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures imposed upon the Project to avoid of substantially lessen the significant effects identified in the proposed Final EIR 588. The MMRP checklist, which is incorporated into the MMRP, defines the following for each mitigation measure:

Method and Timing of Verification – In each case, a method and time for verification of the
mitigation, or review of evidence that mitigation has taken place, is provided. The method and

verification points selected are designed to ensure that impact-related components of Project implemented are adequately addressed and do not proceed without establishing that the mitigation is assured.

- Responsible Person In each case, an IWMD employee or designee (i.e., qualified construction monitor) is named by title to ensure that each mitigation measure is carried out.
- Definition of mitigation In each case, the mitigation measure contains the criteria for mitigation, either in the form of adherence to certain adopted regulations or identification of the steps to be taken to mitigation.

WHEREAS, a copy of the MMRP is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, Section 21081 of CEQA and Section 15091 of the CEQA Guidelines require that the Board of Supervisors make one or more of the following findings prior to approval of a project of which an environmental impact report has been completed, identifying one or more significant effects of the project, along with statements of fact supporting each finding;

> Finding 1 - Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into the project which avoid substantially lesson the significant environmental effects as identified in the environmental impact report.

> Finding 2 - Such changes or alterations are within responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been adopted by such other agency or can and should be adopted by such other agency.

> Finding 3 - Specific economic, legal, social, technological or other considerations make infeasible the mitigation measures or project alternatives identified in the environmental impact report.

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WHEREAS, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Board of Supervisors certifies Final EIR 588 as complete and adequate in that it addresses all environmental effects of the project and fully complies with the requirements of CEQA, the CEQA guidelines and the County's environmental analysis procedures. All of the information comprising Final EIR 588 is on file with the County of Orange Integrated Waste Management Department, 320 N. Flower Street, Suite 400, Santa Ana, California.
- 2. The Board of Supervisors makes the findings contained in the "Statement of Findings and Fact in Support of Findings" (collectively "Statement of Findings"), including the findings required by Section 21081 of CEQA and Section 15091 of the CEQA guidelines, with respect to the significant impacts identified in Final EIR 588, Specifically, the Board of Supervisors finds that each fact in support of the individual findings is true and based upon substantial evidence in the record, including Final EIR 588. The Statement of Findings is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 3. The Board of Supervisors fins that the Final EIR 588 identifies all significant environmental effects of the Project, and that there are no known potential environmental impacts which are not specifically and adequately addressed in the Final EIR.
- 4. The Board of Supervisors finds that although Final EIR 588 identifies certain significant environmental effects that will result if the Project is approved, those significant effects which can be feasibly mitigated or avoided have been reduced to an acceptable level by the incorporation of the project design features (PDF's"), standard conditions of approval ("SCA's") and requirements, and by the imposition of mitigation measures ("MMs") on the approved Project. The individual PDFs, SCAs and mitigation measures identified for the Project are incorporated into the Statement of Findings, included as <u>Exhibit A</u> and the MMRP included as <u>Exhibit B</u>, and incorporated herein by reference.

- 5. The Board of Supervisors finds that the Final EIR 588 describes a reasonable range of alternatives to the Project that could feasibly obtain most of the basis objectives of the Project but would avoid or substantially lessen one or more or the significant effects associated with the proposed Project (including the "No Project Alternative"), even though these alternatives might be more costly or infeasible.
- The Board of Supervisors finds that no substantial evidence has been presented which
 would call into question the facts and conclusions appearing in the Final EIR 588.
- The Board of Supervisors finds that no significant new information has been added to the Final EIR 588 such that recirculation for additional public review is necessary or required pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5.
- 8. The Board of Supervisors finds that the MMRP established a mechanism and procedures for implementing and verifying the Project prior to or concurrent with the Project approval and implementation.
- The Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the MMRP, and directs that the mitigation
 measures be incorporated into the Project prior to or concurrent with the Project
 approval and implementation.
- 10. The Board of Supervisors finds that the unavoidable adverse effects of the Project (as identified in the "Statement of Overriding Considerations", included as <u>Exhibit C</u>) that have not been reduced to a level of less than significant have been, nonetheless, lessened in their severity by the imposition of the mitigation measures identified in the MMRP, included as <u>Exhibit B</u>. the Board further finds that the remaining, unavoidable significant impacts are either (1) clearly outweighed by the economic social, and other benefits of the Project (as more particularly described in the Statement of Overriding Considerations) or (ii) subject to mitigation pursuant to changes, alterations or actions that are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency.

The foregoing was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, on April 17, 2007, to wit:

AYES:

Supervisors:

JOHN M. W. MOORLACH, BILL CAMPBELL, JANET NGUYEN

PATRICIA BATES, CHRIS NORBY

NOES:

Supervisor(s):

EXCUSED:

Supervisor(s):

ABSTAINED: Supervisor(s):

CHAIDMAN

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF ORANGE

I, DARLENE J. BLOOM, Clerk of the Board of Orange County, California, hereby certify that a copy of this document has been delivered to the Chairman of the Board and that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Orange County Board of Supervisors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and seal.

DARLENE J. BLOOM

Clerk of the Board

County of Orange, State of California

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I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors , Orange County, State of California

DARLENE J. BLOOM, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____

Deputy