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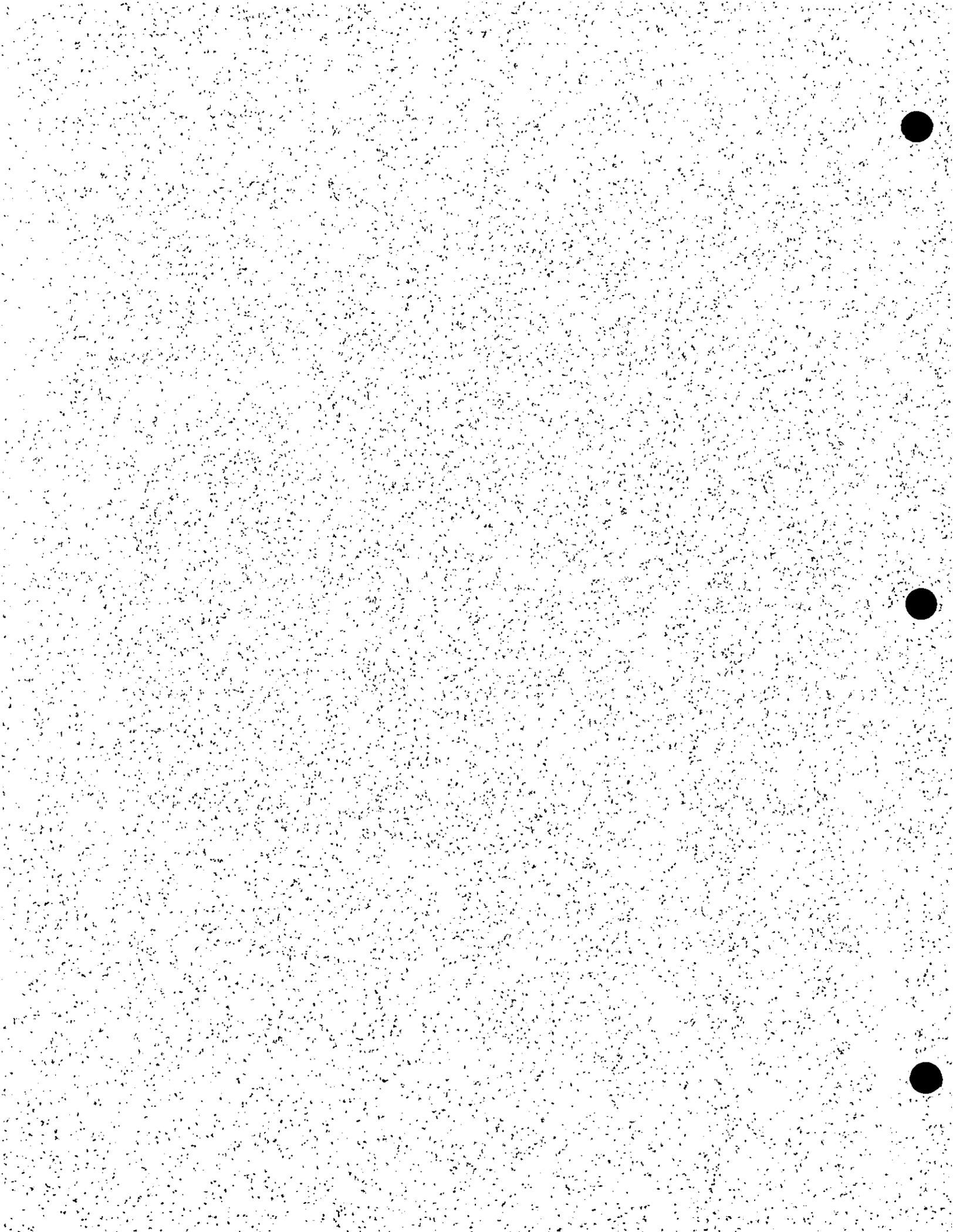
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MS. KATHY MARSH, COMMITTEE SECRETARY



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J: SAN MATEO COUNTY, SAN MATEO COUNTY
UNINCORPORATED

K: VENTURA COUNTY, MOORPARK, OXNARD, SIMI
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A. ALAMEDA COUNTY, ALAMEDA, ALAMEDA COUNTY
UNINCORPORATED, ALBANY, BERKELEY, DUBLIN, MEMORY VERY
LITTLE, FREMONT, HAYWARD, NEWARK, OAKLAND, PIEDMONT,
PLEASANTON, SAN LEANDRO

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1 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA; WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1998

2 9:30 A.M.

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4 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: GOOD MORNING. THIS IS THE
5 MEETING OF THE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD'S
6 LOCAL ASSISTANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR JUNE 17,
7 1998. WELCOME. WE'LL BEGIN WITH THE CALL OF THE
8 ROLL.

9 THE SECRETARY: COMMITTEE MEMBER FRAZEE.

10 MEMBER FRAZEE: HERE.

11 THE SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN CHESBRO.

12 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: HERE.

13 OKAY. I HAVE A NUMBER OF WRITTEN EX
14 PARTES TO ANNOUNCE. DO YOU HAVE ANY?

15 MEMBER FRAZEE: YES, I DO.

16 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: I'LL GO AHEAD WITH MINE;
17 AND THEN IF THEY COVER YOURS OR NOT, YOU CAN FILL IN
18 THE BLANKS.

19 WE HAVE TWO LETTERS FROM LYNN PLAMBECK OF
20 LANDFILL ALTERNATIVES TO SAVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL
21 RESOURCES REGARDING THE L.A. SITING ELEMENT. WE HAVE A
22 LETTER FROM JANET SCHNEIDER OF THE CENTRAL CONTRA COSTA
23 COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY REGARDING AB 939
24 COMPLIANCE. WE HAVE AN E-MAIL FROM DARLA HOBECK OF
25 SAVE THE ANGELES FOUNDATION REGARDING THE L.A. SITING



1 ELEMENT, AND RUFUS YOUNG REPRESENTING THE CITY OF SANTA
2 CLARITA AGAIN REGARDING THE L.A. SITING ELEMENT. ARE
3 THERE ANY OTHERS THAT YOU HAVE THAT DIDN'T COVER?

4 MEMBER FRAZEE: NO. MINE PARALLEL THAT. I
5 HAVE ALL THE SAME COMMUNICATIONS.

6 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. WE WILL ENTER THOSE
7 INTO THE RECORD FOR BEST RENDERING THEM, I GUESS, NOT
8 EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS.

9 NEXT WE WILL GO TO AGENDA NO. 1, WHICH IS
10 AN ORAL REPORT BY PAT SCHIAVO REPRESENTING THE
11 DIVERSION, PLANNING AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE DIVISION.

12 MR. SCHIAVO: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHESBRO AND
13 COMMITTEE MEMBER. BE PRESENTING ACTIVITIES THAT TOOK
14 PLACE IN THE DIVERSION, PLANNING AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE
15 DIVISION THIS MONTH.

16 THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL ADVISORY
17 COMMITTEE MET ON MAY 27TH AND 28TH, AND THEY DISCUSSED
18 MEANS IN WHICH THEY COULD ASSIST OUR STRATEGIC PLANNING
19 TEAMS PROVIDING VARIOUS FORMS OF ASSISTANCE AS WELL AS
20 INFORMATION TO THOSE TEAMS. THEY ALSO DISCUSSED A
21 LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECOGNITION PROGRAM, AND WE'LL BE
22 DISCUSSING THAT IN MORE DETAIL IN ITEM 29 TODAY, AN
23 ORAL PRESENTATION REGARDING THE DETAILS OF THAT
24 PROPOSED PROGRAM.

25 STAFF EXPECT THE NEXT ISSUE OF



1 INFOCYCLING TO PRESENT A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF
2 INFORMATION REGARDING THE FOUR PRIORITY STRATEGIC PLAN
3 TEAMS. AND THAT WILL BE, AGAIN, THE HIGHLIGHT OF THAT
4 PARTICULAR ISSUE.

5 EARLIER IN THE MONTH STAFF MADE
6 PRESENTATIONS REGARDING THE ANNUAL REVIEW REPORT
7 PROCESS, THE BIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS, AS WELL AS
8 DISPOSAL REPORTING ISSUES AND MEASUREMENT ACCURACY
9 ISSUES TO REPRESENTATIVES OF RIVERSIDE AND SAN
10 BERNARDINO COUNTIES. AND AS A RESULT OF THE WORKSHOP,
11 WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF REQUESTS TO PROVIDE INDIVIDUAL
12 ASSISTANCE TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THOSE COUNTIES.

13 TODAY YOU WILL BE SEEING ELEMENTS OF 12
14 JURISDICTIONS THAT ARE ON TODAY'S AGENDA. THIS
15 REPRESENTS FOUR SOURCE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING
16 ELEMENTS, SEVEN HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ELEMENTS, ONE
17 NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT, ONE SITING ELEMENT, AND
18 ONE SUMMARY PLAN.

19 REGARDING USED OIL AND HOUSEHOLD
20 HAZARDOUS WASTE, THERE'S 27 CENTERS CERTIFIED THIS
21 MONTH, 81 CENTERS WERE RECERTIFIED, 12 CERTIFICATES
22 EXPIRED, 11 CENTERS WITHDREW, SIX INDUSTRIAL GENERATORS
23 WERE REGISTERED. AND AS FAR AS PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS,
24 IN THE MACRO SENSE THERE ARE NOW 2361 CERTIFIED
25 CENTERS, 601 INDUSTRIAL GENERATORS, 70 CURBSIDE



1 PROGRAMS, AND ONE ELECTRIC UTILITY, FOR A TOTAL OF
2 3,033 PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS AT THIS TIME.

3 THE APPLICATION PERIOD FOR THE USED OIL
4 NONPROFIT GRANTS ENDED ON MAY 29TH. NONPROFIT GRANTS
5 ARE COMPETITIVE GRANTS AWARDED TO NONPROFIT
6 ORGANIZATIONS FOR USED OIL COLLECTION EDUCATION
7 PROGRAMS. FUNDING PRIORITIES WILL FOCUS ON THE
8 ESTABLISHMENT OR EXPANSION OF SUSTAINABLE USED OIL
9 PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE CONVENIENT, EFFICIENT COLLECTION
10 OPPORTUNITIES AND EFFECTIVE PUBLICITY AND EDUCATION
11 CAMPAIGNS. PROPOSED ACTIVITIES WILL BE IMPLEMENTING
12 AND COORDINATION WITH LOCAL AND REGIONAL USED OIL
13 MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS. AND THIS YEAR THE BOARD
14 ANTICIPATES THAT THERE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY TO \$2.5
15 MILLION AVAILABLE, AND GRANT AWARDS WILL BE LIMITED TO
16 \$200,000 EACH.

17 REGARDING PROJECT RECYCLE, DURING THE
18 MONTH OF MAY, 29 NEW RECYCLING PROGRAM SITES WERE ADDED
19 TO THE STATE PROGRAM. THIS INCLUDED 23 STATE OFFICES,
20 FIVE MAINTENANCE STATIONS, AND ONE LAB. AND STAFF IS
21 EXPLORING NUMEROUS OPTIONS THAT WILL EXPAND THE
22 COLLECTION OF PROGRAMS IN THOSE SMALL VOLUME GENERATORS
23 IN WHICH PRIVATE RECYCLERS CANNOT MAKE A PROFIT IN
24 PROVIDING THE SERVICES TO THOSE ENTITIES. ONE OF THE
25 OPTIONS HAS BEEN TO FIND OTHER NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS



1 THAT HAVE RECYCLING PROGRAMS AS PART OF THEIR ONGOING
2 OPERATIONS. STAFF HAS MET WITH KEITH YORK OF THE
3 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REHABILITATION FOR RETARDED
4 CITIZENS AS A POSSIBLE ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE THOSE
5 SERVICES.

6 THAT PRETTY MUCH CONCLUDES THE REPORT.
7 ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

8 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: ANY QUESTIONS? NO
9 QUESTIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, PAT.

10 OKAY. NEXT WE HAVE THE REPORT FROM WASTE
11 PREVENTION AND MARKET DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, AND JEFF
12 HUNTS WILL BE REPRESENTING CAREN TRGOVCICH THIS
13 MORNING.

14 MR. HUNTS: GOOD MORNING, COMMITTEE MEMBERS.
15 MY NAME IS JEFF HUNTS, AND I AM REPRESENTING THE WASTE
16 PREVENTION AND MARKET DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE THIS
17 MORNING. I'D LIKE TO UPDATE YOU ON A FEW ITEMS THAT
18 OUR DIVISION IS BUSY WORKING ON.

19 FIRST ITEM IS THE REASON I'M HERE. OUR
20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR, CAREN TRGOVCICH, RIGHT NOW IS ON HER
21 WAY OVER TO THE SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT
22 OR SMUD'S FACILITY TO HOST A PANEL DISCUSSION OF LOCAL
23 BUSINESSES AS PART OF THE U.S. EPA'S WASTE WISE
24 SATELLITE FORUM. THIS IS THE FIRST OF A SERIES THAT
25 THE WASTE BOARD IS CO-HOSTING WITH U.S. EPA TO USE



1 SATELLITE TECHNOLOGY TO DOWNLINK THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY
2 TO INFORM BUSINESSES AND OTHER PARTIES ABOUT WASTE
3 MANAGEMENT ISSUES.

4 AS OF THIS MORNING, THERE WERE OVER 30
5 DOWNLINK SITES THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHED, AND
6 THERE WERE OVER 30 BUSINESSES REGISTERED AT THE
7 SACRAMENTO SITE ALONE. THE WASTE BOARD IS WORKING WITH
8 THE BUSINESS RECYCLERS ACTION GROUP, ALSO CALLED BRAG,
9 IT'S A LOCAL BUSINESS WASTE MANAGEMENT GROUP, THE
10 RECYCLED PAPER COALITION, AND COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO FOR
11 THE HOSTING OF THIS LOCAL SITE.

12 THE NEXT ISSUE IS A SPECIAL EDITION OF
13 THE CALMAX CATALOG. I THINK YOU HAVE IT IN FRONT OF
14 YOU. I PASSED IT OUT. THE CALIFORNIA MATERIALS
15 EXCHANGE PUBLISHED THIS FIRST SPECIAL EDITION OF THE
16 CALMAX CATALOG THIS MONTH IN A BLUEPRINT MOTIF,
17 FOCUSING ON THE CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION INDUSTRY.
18 THIS SPECIAL EDITION, OF WHICH OVER 3200 COPIES WERE
19 PRINTED, WAS DISTRIBUTED OR IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO
20 PREREGISTRANTS OF THE WESTERN BUILDERS SHOW AND WILL BE
21 FEATURED AT THE BOARD'S BOOTH AT THAT SHOW IN SAN
22 FRANCISCO LATER THIS MONTH.

23 THIS SPECIAL EDITION ALSO PIONEERED A
24 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE OFFICE OF STATE PUBLISHING WHEREIN
25 THE COST OF PRINTING, MAILING, AND ADDRESSING, WHICH



1 WAS ABOUT \$2500, WAS SIGNIFICANTLY OFFSET BY SOLICITING
2 OVER \$1300 IN ADVERTISING, WHICH STATE LAW NOW ALLOWS
3 US TO DO IN WORKING WITH THE OFFICE OF STATE
4 PUBLISHING. HOWEVER, STAFF NOW UNDERSTAND WHY LARGER
5 PUBLICATIONS HAVE WHOLE DEPARTMENTS DEDICATED TO
6 MARKETING AND ADVERTISING. IT'S NOT AN EASY TASK.

7 WE WILL ALSO BE ISSUING A SPECIAL
8 PUBLICATION LATER THIS YEAR FOCUSING ON ORGANICS
9 INDUSTRY, LANDSCAPING AND FARMING.

10 THE NEXT ITEM UP, KNOWING THAT IT'S A
11 BUSY AGENDA TODAY, I'M GOING TO TRY TO MAKE THIS QUICK,
12 IS A BRIEF PRESENTATION. IT'S A FOLLOW-UP ON SOMETHING
13 WE BROUGHT TO THIS COMMITTEE ABOUT SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS
14 AGO ABOUT WEB STATISTICS AND HOW WE'RE USING THOSE TO
15 DETERMINE OUR EFFECTIVENESS -- I'M GOING TO HAVE TO
16 SWITCH OVER HERE -- TO DETERMINE PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS
17 BY USING THE BOARD'S PRESENCE ON THE INTERNET, OUR WEB
18 SITE. SO THIS IS AN UPDATE ON TRACKING WEB USE AND
19 DETERMINING PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS.

20 AS A BRIEF BACKGROUND ABOUT OUR WEB
21 STATISTICS, WEB STATISTICS ALLOW THE BOARD AND THE
22 BOARD'S PROGRAMS TO TRACK THE USE OF OUR INTERNET
23 OFFERINGS, WHICH PROGRAMS ARE BEING VISITED, WHICH
24 SITES ARE BEING VISITED, WHICH PAGES. AND WEB STATS
25 PROVIDE DATA ON HOURLY, DAILY, WEEKLY, AND MONTHLY USE



1 OF THE BOARD'S WEB SITE. IT PROVIDES DIRECTORY
2 REPORTS, WHICH ARE ESSENTIALLY PROGRAMMATIC LEVEL
3 USAGE, AND IT REQUESTS REPORTS WHICH GETS DOWN INTO THE
4 ACTUAL WHICH PAGES ARE BEING VISITED IN THE BOARD'S WEB
5 SITE.

6 AND WHAT WE FOUND, AS REPORTED EARLIER,
7 IS THAT THE WEB SITE WORKS WHEN WE DON'T. IT WORKS
8 AFTER HOURS, IT WORKS ON SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND
9 HOLIDAYS, AND IT HELPS THE BOARD ACHIEVE ITS VISION OF
10 BEING AN INTERNATIONAL LEADER IN INTEGRATED WASTE
11 MANAGEMENT BY HAVING A TRUE WORLDWIDE PRESENCE.

12 AS REPORTED BEFORE, WE HAD PLANNED TO USE
13 THESE STATISTICS TO USE POPULAR PAGES WITHIN OUR SITE
14 TO DIRECT VISITORS TO AREAS THAT WE BELIEVE ARE
15 IMPORTANT THAT THEY MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT, TO EVALUATE THE
16 USAGE OF THE WEB SITE OVER TIME, TO TRACK PROMOTIONAL
17 EFFORTS, PROGRAMMATIC PROMOTIONAL EFFORTS, AND SEE IF
18 THAT MANIFESTS ITSELF IN ADDITIONAL USE OF OUR WEB
19 SITE, AND TO LOOK AT THE INFORMATION CONTENT OF HEAVILY
20 TRAFFICKED PAGES TO ENSURE THAT OUR VISITORS, OUR
21 CUSTOMERS, ARE GETTING THEIR MONEY'S WORTH, AND IN THIS
22 CASE TIME EQUALS MONEY.

23 AND WE HAD TOLD THIS COMMITTEE -- WE HAD
24 COMMITTED TO THIS COMMITTEE THAT WE WOULD BE COMING
25 BACK AND REPORTING ON TRENDS SUCH AS THE EFFECTS OF THE



1 PROMOTIONAL CAMPAIGNS, CHANGES WE'VE MADE TO THE WEB
2 SITE AND WHY, AND EVIDENCE OF THE WEB'S ROLE IN PROGRAM
3 EFFECTIVENESS. I HOPE THIS GRAPHIC IS SHOWING UP IN
4 FRONT OF YOU CLEARLY.

5 WHAT THIS SHOWS IS USE OF THE BOARD'S WEB
6 SITE OVERALL, OVER A LITTLE BIT MORE THAN THE LAST
7 YEAR.

8 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: IS THIS BY MONTH?

9 MR. HUNTS: THIS IS BY MONTH.

10 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: THAT'S OKAY. CONCEPTUALLY
11 WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT.

12 MR. HUNTS: MONTHLY USES OF THE BOARD'S WEB
13 SITE OVERALL. DARKER BARS ON THE BOTTOM IS OUR
14 INTERNAL USE, STAFF USE OF WHAT WE OFFER, AND THE
15 LIGHTER BAR ON TOP IS EXTERNAL USE, THE PUBLIC, THE
16 WORLD. AND WHAT YOU CAN SEE FROM THIS IS THAT THERE IS
17 A GENERAL UPTREND WHICH WE BELIEVE WE CAN ATTRIBUTE TO
18 BOTH THE GROWING USE OF THE WEB THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AS
19 WELL AS AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF MATERIAL BEING OFFERED
20 BY BOARD PROGRAMS ON THE WEB SITE.

21 AND YOU CAN SPECULATE ALL YOU WANT ABOUT
22 WHY THE PEAKS AND VALLEYS. AT ANY GIVEN TIME, YOU CAN
23 SEE HOW DECEMBER OF LAST YEAR, THE HOLIDAYS WAS PRETTY
24 LOW. PERHAPS PEOPLE WERE OFF BUSY DOING OTHER THINGS,
25 BUT THAT WE HAVE THIS PEAK IN FEBRUARY. IT'S



1 WINTERTIME, PEOPLE ARE SPENDING MORE TIME INDOORS, EL
2 NINO, PEOPLE HAVE FIGURED OUT HOW TO USE THEIR
3 CHRISTMAS PRESENT COMPUTER AND FINALLY GOT HOOKED UP TO
4 THE INTERNET, THEY GOT AN INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER.
5 AND THEN THERE'S A TAPERING OFF, AND WHO KNOWS WHAT
6 THAT IS, WARMING OF THE WEATHER OR NOVELTY HAS WORN
7 OFF.

8 BUT HOW WE'RE USING THE STATISTICS, THE
9 ACTUAL PROGRAMMATIC STATISTICS, TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR
10 NOT WE ARE BEING EFFECTIVE IN SOME OF THE TRENDS CAN BE
11 DEMONSTRATED BY THIS SLIDE, WHICH IS FOR THE WASTE
12 REDUCTION AWARDS PROGRAM FOR THIS YEAR ALONE. AND IT'S
13 THE VISITS TO THE PAGES BEING OFFERED BY THIS PROGRAM.
14 AS YOU CAN SEE, FEBRUARY PEAKS, WHICH CORRESPONDS TO
15 THE PEAK IN OVERALL TRAFFIC, BUT THE OVERALL TREND IS
16 UP. AND IN PARTICULAR, I'D LIKE TO POINT TO THE MAY
17 AND JUNE WHERE THERE'S SIGNIFICANTLY MORE TRAFFIC. WE
18 ATTRIBUTE THAT TO PROMOTION.

19 WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE WRAP APPLICATION
20 PERIOD RIGHT NOW OF MAY AND JUNE. WE'VE DONE A LOT OF
21 PUBLICITY. WE'VE POINTED PEOPLE TO THE WEB SITE SAYING
22 THAT THE APPLICATION IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEB. AND WE
23 FEEL THAT THIS IS PAYING OFF.

24 SO WHILE OVERALL SHORT-TERM TREND WAS A
25 LITTLE BIT DOWN, THIS PROGRAM, THROUGH PROMOTION, THE



1 TREND IS UP.

2 MONTHLY OUR WEB MASTERS PUT TOGETHER A
3 LIST OF THE TOP TEN PROGRAMMATIC AREAS THAT ARE VISITED
4 IN THE BOARD'S WEB SITE. I'VE TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF
5 HIGHLIGHTING IN RED, AND I THINK THAT SHOWS UP ON YOUR
6 SCREEN, THOSE PROGRAMS WHICH ARE MAINTAINED BY UNITS
7 WITHIN MY DIVISION. WASTE PREVENTION WORLD IS
8 PERENNIALY A LEADER. THE SWIS DATABASE IS A POPULAR
9 SITE. CALMAX, THE LEGISLATIVE REGULATORY PAGES, WASTE
10 CHARACTERIZATION DATABASE, CONSTRUCTION, DEMOLITION,
11 AND ON.

12 NOW, WE COULD LET THESE NUMBERS SPEAK FOR
13 THEMSELVES AND POUND OUR CHEST AND SAY AREN'T WE GREAT
14 THAT WASTE PREVENTION AND MARKET DEVELOPMENT MAINTAINS
15 FULLY HALF OF THE REQUESTED PAGES IN THE TOP TEN.

16 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: BUT YOU WON'T DO THAT.

17 MR. HUNTS: WELL, NO. WE WON'T DO THAT PER
18 SE.

19 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: JUST TEASING.

20 MR. HUNTS: BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO GET BEHIND THE
21 NUMBERS. WHAT DO THESE NUMBERS REALLY MEAN? FOR
22 INSTANCE, LET'S GET BEHIND THESE NUMBERS IN WASTE
23 PREVENTION WORLD. SO WHAT? IT HAD OVER 10,000 HITS IN
24 THE MONTH OF MAY. WHAT DOES THAT REALLY MEAN, AND WHAT
25 DID THE CUSTOMERS REALLY WANT WITHIN THOSE PAGES? AND



1 DOES IT PROVE THAT WE'RE BEING EFFECTIVE?

2 SO WHAT I'M GOING TO DO REAL QUICK IS
3 BRING UP THE MAY WEB STATS, WHICH ARE AVAILABLE ON THE
4 INTERNET, AND I ENCOURAGE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ANYBODY
5 ELSE WHO'S INTERESTED. IN FACT, THE PUBLIC CAN VISIT
6 OUR WEB STATS BY JUST GOING TO OUR MAIN PAGE AND
7 ENTERING WEB STATS, AND THEY CAN VIEW AND SEE WHERE THE
8 TRAFFIC IS GOING ON OUR SITE.

9 THIS TOP PART IS SOME GENERAL STATISTICS.
10 THIS SHOWS A WEEKLY USE IN MAY. LOOKS LIKE THE FIRST
11 WEEK IN MAY WAS MOST HEAVILY TRAFFICKED. THIS IS THE
12 AVERAGE WHAT A WEEK LOOKS LIKE. YOU CAN SEE THE
13 WORKDAYS ARE THE MOST USED, BUT THERE'S STILL
14 SIGNIFICANT TRAFFIC ON THE WEEKENDS. THE DAILY SUMMARY
15 IS LIKE A BELL CURVE WHERE THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY TENDS
16 TO HAVE THE MOST USE. WHAT'S SURPRISING HERE OR MAYBE
17 NOT SURPRISING IS HOW MUCH TRAFFIC ACTUALLY COMES IN
18 AFTER HOURS, WHICH EITHER SAYS THAT THERE'S A LOT OF
19 NIGHT OWLS OUT THERE OR THAT WE TRULY HAVE A WORLDWIDE
20 PRESENCE WHEN IT'S DAYTIME ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE
21 WORLD.

22 THE DIRECTORY REPORT IS WHERE THE TOP TEN
23 COMES FROM. IT'S THE PROGRAMMATIC AREAS. WHAT I WANT
24 TO GET DOWN TO IS THE ACTUAL PAGE REPORTS, WHICH PAGES
25 ARE BEING VISITED. AND AS I SCROLL DOWN, THERE'S ONE



1 THAT I WANTED TO POINT OUT ALONG THE WAY THAT THE
2 CHAIRMAN, THAT HE SHOULD BE INTERESTED TO SEE, RIGHT
3 HERE IN THE GOVERNMENT AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS, OFFICE
4 OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS ABOUT THE BOARD. TO HAVE YOUR WEB --
5 YOUR PAGE LISTED ON THIS COLLECTION, YOU HAVE TO HAVE
6 AT LEAST RECEIVED 20 HITS THROUGH THE MONTH OF MAY.
7 AND MR. CHESBRO WOULD BE HAPPY TO KNOW THAT OF ALL THE
8 BOARD MEMBERS, HIS PAGE WAS THE ONLY ONE TO RECEIVE AT
9 LEAST 20 HITS. HE HAD 21 HITS ON HIS PAGE.

10 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: PROBABLY FOR REASONS
11 UNRELATED TO THE BOARD.

12 MR. HUNTS: I WASN'T GOING TO GO THERE.

13 GOING ON DOWN TO WASTE PREVENTION WORLD,
14 WHICH IS IN THE MARKET RESEARCH -- WELL, FORMERLY
15 CALLED MARKET AND RESEARCH TECHNOLOGY DIVISION. WASTE
16 PREVENTION WORLD IS ACTUALLY A COLLECTION OF ABOUT A
17 HUNDRED FIFTY, 160 SEPARATE PAGES. AND WE CAN SEE BY
18 LOOKING AT THE WEB STATS WHICH ARE THE MOST POPULAR
19 AREAS. BUSINESS WASTE PREVENTION PAGES, THE FACT
20 SHEETS, IN PARTICULAR THE ONE ON ENCOURAGING UPPER
21 MANAGEMENT, HOW TO ENCOURAGE UPPER MANAGEMENT TO
22 SUPPORT WASTE PREVENTION, IS A VERY POPULAR PAGE.
23 OUR -- THE GOP PAGE, WHICH IS ACTUALLY A NONPARTISAN
24 PAGE, AND THE GREEN OFFICE PROJECT, THAT PROMOTES
25 OFFICE PAPER REDUCTION.



1 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: GOP AND THE GREENS, YOU
2 BETTER GIVE THE DEMOCRATS EQUAL TIME.

3 MR. HUNTS: AND SCROLLING ON DOWN, ONE OF THE
4 MOST POPULAR AREAS IS ACTUALLY OUR CLIP ART AREA. OF
5 THE INDIVIDUAL PAGES WITHIN WASTE PREVENTION WORLD,
6 CLIP ART IS HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER BY OUR CUSTOMERS. WE
7 SEE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS USING OUR CLIP ART, ESPECIALLY
8 THE LESS AFFLUENT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, IN THEIR
9 PUBLICATIONS. WE RECEIVE E-MAIL FROM ALL AROUND THE
10 COUNTRY, PEOPLE THANKING US FOR OFFERING THIS MATERIAL.
11 WE HAVE AN E-MAIL FROM A 14-YEAR-OLD BOY IN ARKANSAS --
12 I DON'T BELIEVE IT WAS HOPE, ARKANSAS -- WHO WAS
13 THANKING US FOR THE CLIP ART THAT HE USES IN PUBLISHING
14 A NEIGHBORHOOD RECYCLING NEWSLETTER.

15 THE ORGANIC WASTE PREVENTION AREA, THE
16 HOME COMPOSTING, GRASSCYCLING, XEROSCAPING, AND WORM
17 PAGES, THE WORM PAGES TEND TO BE VERY POPULAR. THEY'RE
18 ALSO VERY POPULAR, I KNOW, IN THE SCHOOLS PROGRAM AREA.
19 AND THE WRAP AREA DOWN BELOW. BY LOOKING AT THESE
20 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS, YOU CAN SEE WHICH PAGES ARE THE
21 MOST POPULAR AND MAKE SURE THAT THE CONTENT THERE IS
22 CORRECT AND THEN DIRECT PEOPLE TO OTHER AREAS.

23 BUT DOES THAT REALLY MAKE US EFFECTIVE?
24 AND I WANT TO USE ONE EXAMPLE HERE OF HOW WE BELIEVE
25 THIS DOES MAKE THIS EFFECTIVE. WITHIN WASTE PREVENTION



1 WORLD, REALLY THE REAL REASON THAT WASTE PREVENTION
2 WORLD WAS ORIGINALLY CREATED WAS TO PROMOTE THE USE OF
3 WASTE PREVENTION INFORMATION EXCHANGE. NOW, THAT WASTE
4 PREVENTION INFORMATION EXCHANGE IS A UNIQUE REPOSITORY
5 OF OVER 1500 TOPICS ON WASTE PREVENTION. WE KNOW OF NO
6 OTHER COLLECTION IN EXISTENCE ANYWHERE, BUT THE
7 CHALLENGE IS HOW TO INCREASE ITS USE WITHOUT BURDENING
8 STAFF WITH THE TASK OF FIELDING EVERY REQUEST THAT
9 COMES IN.

10 PRIOR TO GOING ON-LINE, THE INFO EXCHANGE
11 WAS RECEIVING BETWEEN 25 AND 30 REQUESTS FOR
12 INFORMATION A MONTH THROUGH FAX, TELEPHONE, AND
13 E-MAIL. ONCE WE WENT ON-LINE, ONCE WE PUT THE EFFORT
14 OF GETTING THE WASTE PREVENTION INFORMATION EXCHANGE
15 ON-LINE, WE'RE NOW AVERAGING OVER 370 REQUESTS FOR
16 INFORMATION A MONTH. AND THAT IS BEING HANDLED WITH
17 REALLY NO ADDITIONAL STAFF WORK BECAUSE IT'S
18 SELF-SERVICE, CUSTOMERS COME IN, FIND WHAT THEY NEED,
19 QUERY THE DATABASE, DOWNLOAD THE INFORMATION THEY WANT.
20 SO A TENFOLD INCREASE IN CUSTOMER SERVICE HAS RESULTED
21 IN REALLY NO ADDITIONAL STAFF WORK THAN WHAT IT TOOK TO
22 GET US UP THERE IN THE FIRST PLACE.

23 SO THE CONCLUSION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT
24 THIS IS MAKING US MORE EFFECTIVE IS, YES, IT CAN MAKE
25 US VERY EFFECTIVE. AND IT'S IN -- WHETHER IT'S OUR



1 POPULAR AREAS LIKE CALMAX OR THE CLIP ART OR EVEN
2 RELATIVELY OBSCURE PAGES LIKE ABOUT THE BOARD MEMBERS,
3 ONCE THEY'RE UP, THEY'RE UP, AND IT'S NO EXTRA WORK FOR
4 STAFF. SO THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. WE WILL
5 CONTINUE TO REPORT BACK TO THIS COMMITTEE ON HOW WE'RE
6 USING WEB STATS AND THE WEB TO SERVE OUR CUSTOMERS.

7 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: VERY INTERESTING AND VERY
8 EXCITING. IT'S NICE NOT ONLY TO HAVE SOMETHING THAT IS
9 SO ACCESSIBLE AND EFFICIENT, BUT ALSO TO HAVE THE
10 FEEDBACK ABOUT BEING ABLE TO KEEP STATISTICS SO EASILY
11 ABOUT HOW IT'S BEING UTILIZED. ANY QUESTIONS OR
12 COMMENTS? THANKS.

13 NEXT WE HAVE AGENDA ITEM 3, WHICH IS THE
14 CONSENT AGENDA, WHICH IS AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE
15 ROOM FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS TO TAKE A LOOK AT IT. THE
16 ITEMS THAT ARE ON CONSENT ARE 4, 10 -- 4 THROUGH 10, 12
17 THROUGH 25, AND NOS. 27 AND 28. AND WE WILL ENTERTAIN
18 ANY REQUESTS TO PULL AN ITEM OFF IF THERE'S ANYONE WHO
19 WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ONE OF THOSE ITEMS DISCUSSED
20 INDIVIDUALLY.

21 IF THERE ARE NO REQUESTS, I WOULD
22 ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADOPT THE CONSENT CALENDAR AND
23 PLACE IT ON THE BOARD'S CONSENT CALENDAR FOR ITS
24 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING LATER ON IN JUNE.

25 MEMBER FRAZEE: SO MOVED.



1 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: IT'S BEEN MOVED, AND I'LL
2 SECOND. CALL THE ROLL, PLEASE.

3 THE SECRETARY: COMMITTEE MEMBER FRAZEE.

4 MEMBER FRAZEE: AYE.

5 THE SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN CHESBRO.

6 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: AYE. MOTION CARRIES.

7 NEXT WE'RE GOING TO TAKE ITEM 29 OUT OF
8 ORDER, AND HOPEFULLY BECAUSE I THINK THE OTHER ITEMS
9 TAKE SOME TIME, WE'LL GET THROUGH THAT FAIRLY QUICKLY,
10 AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A BREAK TO ALLOW FOR THE
11 SETUP OF THE ELECTRONIC MEDIA EQUIPMENT.

12 THIS IS DISCUSSION OF AN UPDATE ON THE
13 BOARD PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL
14 ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

15 MS. MORGAN: GOOD MORNING. CHAIRMAN CHESBRO
16 AND BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE, THIS IS AN UPDATE ON THE
17 BOARD'S PARTNERSHIP WITH LAGTAC, AN AWARDS PROGRAM FOR
18 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

19 LAST WEEK JUDITH FRIEDMAN SENT TO YOU AN
20 UPDATE ON THIS PROJECT WITH A COPY OF THE BROCHURE.
21 REDUCING OUR WASTE BY 50 PERCENT BY THE YEAR 2000
22 REQUIRES THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS,
23 AND THE PUBLIC. THIS ACHIEVEMENT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE
24 WITHOUT TREMENDOUS EFFORT ON THE PART OF OUR LOCAL
25 GOVERNMENTS ALL OVER THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,



1 PROVIDING A WIDE RANGE OF EXCITING AND SUCCESSFUL WASTE
2 REDUCTION PROGRAMS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES.

3 THE BOARD, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE
4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE, HAS
5 DEVELOPED AN AWARDS PROGRAM TO RECOGNIZE LOCAL
6 GOVERNMENTS FOR THEIR WASTE REDUCTION EFFORTS. THE
7 PROGRAM IS CALLED THE TRASH CUTTERS AWARD PROGRAM.

8 THE NAME FOR THIS PROGRAM CAME FROM A
9 VARIETY OF BRAINSTORMING EFFORTS. A MEETING WAS HELD,
10 AND MIKE MOHAJER IS HERE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO'S A MEMBER
11 OF LAGTAC, WAS PART OF THE TEAM TO BRAINSTORM NAMES.
12 WE ALSO GOT FEEDBACK FROM BOARD STAFF MEMBERS TO COME
13 UP WITH THE NAME OF THE PROGRAM.

14 THE AWARDS PROGRAM RECOGNIZES LOCAL
15 GOVERNMENTS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING EFFORTS IN PROVIDING
16 INTEGRATED WASTE PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE STATE. LAGTAC
17 HAS DEVELOPED AN AWARDS PROGRAM THAT WILL BE MEANINGFUL
18 TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND AFFORD THE BOARD THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO AWARD JURISDICTIONS FOR THEIR EFFORTS.

20 LAGTAC IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPING THE
21 PROGRAM, INCLUDING DESIGNING AN AWARDS PROGRAM
22 APPLICATION, DEVELOPING AWARD CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA,
23 JUDGING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS APPLICATIONS, MAKING
24 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD ON AWARD RECIPIENTS, AND
25 DEVELOPING CASE STUDY PORTFOLIOS OF EFFECTIVE LOCAL



1 GOVERNMENT WASTE REDUCTION PROGRAMS.

2 THE CASE STUDY PORTFOLIOS WILL BE USED BY
3 THE BOARD AS A NETWORKING TOOL FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.
4 BOARD STAFF ARE ASSISTING LAGTAC BY DISTRIBUTING THE
5 APPLICATION TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS VIA THE MAIL AND THE
6 BOARD'S WEB SITE, VERIFYING THE PROGRAM STATUS OF LOCAL
7 GOVERNMENTS APPLYING FOR THE AWARD PROGRAM, AND
8 REVIEWING THE CASE STUDY PORTFOLIOS. LAGTAC PLANS ON
9 JUDGING THE AWARD APPLICATIONS IN JULY AND WILL PROVIDE
10 THE BOARD WITH RECOMMENDED AWARD WINNERS AT THE
11 BEGINNING OF AUGUST.

12 LAGTAC WILL NOTIFY AWARD RECIPIENTS AND
13 INVITE THEM TO ATTEND THE AUGUST BOARD MEETING. THE
14 AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE AUGUST BOARD MEETING.
15 AS THIS PROGRAM PROGRESSES, WE WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
16 YOU UPDATES ON THE TRASH CUTTERS AWARD PROGRAM.

17 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I WANT
18 TO EXPRESS MY OWN PERSONAL EXCITEMENT ABOUT THE WHOLE
19 CONCEPT. I KNOW THE BOARD HAS HAD A REAL INTEREST IN
20 MOVING IN THIS DIRECTION AND ALSO THE PARTNERSHIP WITH
21 LAGTAC AND AMOUNT OF WORK THEY'RE PUTTING INTO IT, I
22 THINK, IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. AND I HOPE THAT MR.
23 MOHAJER AND STAFF WILL TAKE BACK TO THE ADVISORY
24 COMMITTEE OUR APPRECIATION.

25 I DO HAVE A QUESTION. AND IS THIS GOING



1 TO BE IN TERMS OF THE NUMBERS THAT WE GIVE SIMILAR TO
2 WRAP IN TERMS OF THE IDEA THAT ANYONE WHO MEETS CERTAIN
3 THRESHOLD GETS AN AWARD, OR IS IT MORE COMPETITIVE THAN
4 THAT IN THE SENSE THAT WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO PICK A
5 SMALLER NUMBER WHO ARE THE MOST OUTSTANDING EXAMPLES TO
6 HIGHLIGHT? THOSE ARE TWO DIFFERENT APPROACHES TO
7 ISSUING AWARDS.

8 MS. MORGAN: THEY ARE TWO DIFFERENT
9 APPROACHES. ACTUALLY THIS WILL BE MORE COMPETITIVE.
10 WE'RE OFFERING A FEWER NUMBER OF AWARDS, AT LEAST FOR
11 THE FIRST ROUND. THE REASON FOR THAT WAS WE WANTED TO
12 MAKE IT SPECIAL FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. SO DEPENDING
13 UPON THE NUMBERS OF APPLICATIONS WE RECEIVE, WE MAY
14 PROVIDE A CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO THOSE LOCAL
15 GOVERNMENTS THAT DO APPLY. OUR HOPE IS THAT THIS WILL
16 BE A MORE FREQUENT AWARDS PROGRAM, POSSIBLY QUARTERLY,
17 SO THAT WE WILL CONTINUALLY BE AWARDING RECOGNITION TO
18 THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SO IT WILL BE SMALLER.

19 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: IT SEEMS LIKE THERE'S A
20 NUMBER OF DIFFERENT GOALS THAT YOU CAN TRY TO ACHIEVE.
21 ON THE ONE HAND, YOU WANT TO REALLY HIGHLIGHT THE
22 REALLY INNOVATIVE ONES. ON THE OTHER HAND, I THINK YOU
23 ALSO WANT TO -- AND THIS IS SORT OF THE CONCEPT BEHIND
24 WRAP -- RECOGNIZE -- NOT FAIL TO RECOGNIZE THOSE WHO
25 MADE A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION. AND PART OF THE WHOLE



1 PURPOSE OF THIS, I THINK, ALSO IS GIVING FEEDBACK IN
2 THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AS TO WHAT'S GOING ON AND WHETHER
3 IT'S GOOD OR NOT AS COMPARED TO THE REST OF THE STATE,
4 WHETHER IT MEETS STANDARDS THAT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED
5 IN AN AWARDS PROGRAM.

6 SO I THINK ONE OF THE BEAUTIES OF WRAP IS
7 THAT IT'S GOTTEN RECOGNITION OUT IN THOSE LOCAL
8 COMMUNITIES THAT VERY SELDOM HAVE ANY FEEDBACK OR
9 PUBLIC NEWS ABOUT WHAT JURISDICTIONS ARE DOING. SO I
10 CAN SEE THE BENEFITS OF BOTH APPROACHES, AND WE MIGHT
11 WANT TO TRY TO FIGURE OUT OVER TIME HOW TO -- AND WE
12 HAVE DONE THAT WITH WRAP ACTUALLY WITH WRAP OF THE
13 YEAR. SO MAYBE WE COULD HAVE BOTH, THE VERY BEST AND
14 ALSO THEN OVER TIME DEVELOP SOMETHING MORE BROADLY THAT
15 WOULD RECOGNIZE ANY JURISDICTION THAT MEETS A CERTAIN
16 LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT.

17 MS. MORGAN: YEAH. WE AND LAGTAC HAVE
18 UTILIZED THE EXPERIENCE OF THE WRAP PROGRAM IN
19 DEVELOPING THIS PROGRAM, SO WE ARE USING THAT AS A
20 MODEL. IT'S TRUE. MAYBE THE NUMBERS WILL INCREASE AS
21 WE GO ON.

22 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: GOOD. ANY COMMENTS OR
23 QUESTIONS?

24 AGAIN, I APPRECIATE THE ONGOING SUPPORT
25 AND CONTRIBUTION OF LAGTAC IN THIS, AND WE'LL PROCEED.



1 NOW I UNDERSTAND WE NEED A BRIEF BREAK IN
2 ORDER TO GET THE COMPUTER SET UP READY TO GO FOR ITEM
3 11, WHICH IS THE NEXT ONE WE'RE GOING TO TAKE UP.

4 (DISCUSSION OFF THE RECORD.)

5 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: CHANGE IN PLANS HERE.
6 YES. WE'LL GO AHEAD AND TAKE ITEM 26, WHICH IS
7 CONSIDERATION OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION ON THE ADEQUACY
8 OF THE SOURCE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING ELEMENT,
9 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ELEMENT, AND NONDISPOSAL
10 FACILITY ELEMENT, AND TIME EXTENSION AND PLANNING
11 REDUCTION FOR SIERRA COUNTY REGIONAL AGENCY.

12 MR. HUSTON: GOOD MORNING. I'M BILL HUSTON
13 WITH THE OFFICE OF LOCAL ASSISTANCE. WITH ME IS TRACI
14 HARPER, WHO WILL PROP ME UP IN THE EVENT THAT I GET
15 INTO ONE OF THOSE SITUATIONS.

16 AS YOU NOTED, AGENDA ITEM NO. 26 IS
17 CERTAINLY A FULL FUNCTION AGENDA ITEM. IT'S TO
18 CONSIDER THREE DIFFERENT ELEMENTS, THE HHWE, NDFE, AND
19 SRRE FOR THE SIERRA REGIONAL AGENCY. IT ALSO HAS THREE
20 SEPARATE PETITIONS. AND SINCE THE REGIONAL AGENCY IS A
21 RURAL REGIONAL AGENCY, THEY ARE ELIGIBLE TO PETITION
22 FOR A VARIETY OF GOAL REDUCTIONS, EXTENSIONS, AND
23 PLANNING REDUCTIONS.

24 THE HHWE AND NDFE SUBMITTED BY THE
25 REGIONAL AGENCY WERE VERY STRAIGHTFORWARD, AND THE



1 STAFF IS RECOMMENDING FULL APPROVAL OF BOTH OF THOSE
2 ELEMENTS.

3 THE SRRE HAD THREE SUBCOMPONENTS. THERE
4 WAS A PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION IN THEIR 1995 GOAL
5 ACHIEVEMENT TO 1997. THERE WAS ALSO A PETITION TO
6 REDUCE THEIR 2000 GOAL TO 26.6 PERCENT, AND THERE WAS A
7 PETITION FOR PLANNING REDUCTIONS IN THE INFORMATION
8 THAT NEEDED TO BE SUBMITTED IN THEIR SRRE.

9 THE PETITION FOR REDUCTION IN THE 2000
10 GOAL, AS I SAY, WAS A REDUCTION TO 26.6 PERCENT. STAFF
11 AT THE BOARD ANALYZED THE DIVERSION RATE FOR THE SIERRA
12 REGIONAL AGENCY AND DETERMINED THAT IN 1996 THEIR
13 ACTUAL DIVERSION WAS 40 PERCENT, AND IN 1997 THEIR
14 ACTUAL DIVERSION WAS 37 PERCENT. SO IN LIGHT OF THE
15 DIVERSION THAT THEY HAD ALREADY ACHIEVED, WE BELIEVE
16 THAT A REDUCTION IN THEIR 2000 GOAL TO 26.6 PERCENT IS
17 PERHAPS NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF SIERRA COUNTY OR IN
18 THE BEST INTEREST OF THE BOARD. SO WE ARE RECOMMENDING
19 DISAPPROVAL OF THAT PETITION AT THIS TIME.

20 THEY HAD ALSO REQUESTED A PETITION TO
21 EXTEND GOAL ACHIEVEMENT FOR THEIR 1995 DIVERSION TO
22 1997. AS I NOTED, IN 1996 AND 1997, THEY EXCEEDED 25
23 PERCENT; AND EVEN THOUGH THEIR REQUEST SEEMS
24 REASONABLE, THE BOARD HAS SET A POLICY TO NOT APPROVE
25 RETROACTIVE EXTENSIONS FOR JURISDICTIONS. SO IN LIGHT



1 OF THAT POLICY, STAFF IS ALSO RECOMMENDING DISAPPROVAL
2 OF THAT PETITION.

3 AND FINALLY, THEIR PETITION FOR PLANNING
4 REDUCTIONS, THERE WERE THREE COMPONENTS TO THAT. ONE
5 WAS THEY WANTED TO USE SWIG DATA FROM PLUMAS COUNTY.
6 THEY ALSO WANTED TO LIMIT THEIR DISCUSSION OF
7 ALTERNATIVES TO THOSE PROGRAMS THAT WERE FEASIBLE AND
8 PRACTICAL FOR A REGIONAL AGENCY THE SIZE OF THE SIERRA
9 REGIONAL AGENCY, AND THEY WANTED TO CONDUCT THEIR
10 MONITORING BY WEIGHING THE AMOUNT OF RECYCLED MATERIAL
11 THAT THEY WERE ACTUALLY COLLECTING.

12 WE BELIEVE THAT THEIR REQUEST FOR
13 PLANNING REDUCTION IS REASONABLE AND ARE RECOMMENDING
14 APPROVAL OF THAT ONE.

15 THE SRRE ITSELF, WE ARE RECOMMENDING A
16 CONDITIONAL APPROVAL FOR A COUPLE OF REASONS. ONE, WE
17 BELIEVE THAT THEIR PROJECTIONS FOR BOTH THE YEAR '95
18 AND FOR THE YEAR 2000 CAN BE IMPROVED. AND AS I SAY,
19 WE BELIEVE THAT A 26.6 PERCENT DIVERSION FOR 2000 IN
20 LIGHT OF THEIR ALREADY ACHIEVED DIVERSION IS TOO LOW.
21 SO WE'RE RECOMMENDING A CONDITIONAL APPROVAL FOR THE
22 SRRE. THE CONDITIONS BEING THAT THEY REVISE THEIR
23 PROJECTIONS FOR THE YEAR '95 AND 2000 GOAL, THAT THEY
24 CONDUCT OR THEY COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THEIR FIRST ANNUAL
25 REPORT TO THE BOARD ON AUGUST 1ST, 1998, COVERING THE



1 YEARS 1990 THROUGH 1997.

2 MS. HARPER: AND ANOTHER CONDITION IS THAT
3 THEY NOT RESUBMIT A PETITION TO REDUCE THE 50-PERCENT
4 GOAL UNTIL AFTER WE'VE GOTTEN THE 1998 NUMBERS. IN
5 OTHER WORDS, NOT TILL 1999 WILL WE KNOW IF THEY REALLY
6 ARE IN NEED OF THAT REDUCTION IN THE YEAR 2000 GOAL.

7 MR. HUSTON: AND IF IT APPEARS AT THAT TIME
8 THAT A YEAR 2000 REDUCTION IS WARRANTED, THEN THEY CAN
9 RESUBMIT A PETITION FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION AFTER
10 AUGUST OF 1999 IF THE TREND SEEMS TO WARRANT THAT THAT
11 WOULD BE A REASONABLE REQUEST.

12 I SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT YESTERDAY WE
13 RECEIVED A COPY OF A RESOLUTION FROM THE SIERRA BOARD
14 OF SUPERVISORS REDUCING THEIR YEAR '95 EXTENSION FROM
15 TWO YEARS TO ONE YEAR, WHICH WOULD NOT CHANGE THE STAFF
16 RECOMMENDATION, AGAIN, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE A
17 RETROACTIVE EXTENSION REQUEST, AND THEY ALSO HAD IN THE
18 RESOLUTION WITHDRAWN THEIR PETITION TO HAVE A GOAL
19 REDUCTION FOR THE YEAR 2000. AND THAT IS ESSENTIALLY
20 CONSISTENT WITH OUR RECOMMENDATION TO YOU.

21 SO THE BOTTOM LINE HERE IS THAT WE ARE
22 RECOMMENDING YOUR SUPPORT OF RESOLUTIONS 98-231 THROUGH
23 98-236.

24 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. I ASSUME THERE'S NO
25 ONE HERE FROM SIERRA COUNTY. WE HAVEN'T -- NOBODY HAS



1 IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN
2 SPEAKING ON THIS, YOU'RE CERTAINLY WELCOME TO.

3 THERE'S A LOT OF IRONY IN THIS ONE, I
4 THINK. THEY SEEM TO BE DOING A PRETTY GOOD JOB
5 PROGRAMATICALLY, BUT NOT HAVE THE TIME OR RESOURCES TO
6 PAY MUCH ATTENTION TO HOW THE PROCESS WORKS IN TERMS OF
7 THE REGULATORY PROCESS. I THINK THAT FACT AND THE
8 BOARD'S EXPRESSED DIRECTION TO STAFF TO STREAMLINE
9 REGULATORY PROCESSES FOR DIVERSION IN RURAL COUNTIES
10 SHOULD LEAD US TOWARDS TRYING TO BE AS POSITIVE AS WE
11 CAN IN TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO MAKE THIS AS SIMPLE
12 AS POSSIBLE, WHICH I THINK THE STAFF HAS DONE, BUT I
13 THINK OUR METHOD OF COMMUNICATING WITH THEM FROM THE
14 COMMITTEE AND BOARD NEEDS TO BE LAUDATORY, NEEDS TO SAY
15 GREAT JOB GETTING GOING ON PROGRAMS. FOR A SMALL
16 COUNTY LIKE THIS TO MAKE THE EFFORT THEY'VE MADE, I
17 THINK IS EXCEPTIONAL. BUT WE ALSO HAVE TO FIGURE OUT
18 HOW TO GET THEM INTO THE REGULATORY STREAM IN A
19 STREAMLINED WAY SO THAT WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE
20 COMPLYING WITH STATE LAW.

21 AND I APPRECIATE THE AMOUNT OF EFFORT
22 THAT STAFF HAS PUT IN TRYING TO HELP SIERRA COUNTY
23 ACHIEVE THAT. BUT THEY ARE ONE OF THOSE COUNTIES WHERE
24 THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ALSO WEARS ABOUT FOUR OTHER
25 HATS. YOU HAVE THESE TINY LITTLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS



1 WITH TWO OR THREE PEOPLE WHO ARE TRYING TO DEAL WITH
2 ALL THE STATE MANDATES, AND I THINK THAT'S UNDOUBTEDLY
3 THE EXPLANATION BEHIND THEIR DIFFICULTY IN DEALING WITH
4 THE REGULATORY MORASS. THUS, THE NEED TO HELP THEM, I
5 THINK.

6 DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS?

7 MEMBER FRAZEE: NO.

8 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. I HAVE HERE -- WELL,
9 THERE'S A SERIES OF RESOLUTIONS.

10 MEMBER FRAZEE: CAN WE HANDLE THAT IN ALL ONE
11 MOTION?

12 MR. BLOCK: SURE.

13 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: I PRESUME SO. SO I GUESS
14 I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE STAFF'S
15 RECOMMENDATION, WHICH IS -- ARE CONTAINED IN
16 RESOLUTIONS 98-231 THROUGH -- AND 232, 233, 234, 235,
17 AND 236.

18 MEMBER FRAZEE: SO MOVED.

19 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: MOVED AND SECONDED. IF
20 THERE'S NO FURTHER PUBLIC INPUT OR DISCUSSION, WE WILL
21 SUBSTITUTE THE PRIOR ROLL CALL. CONSIDER THE MOTION
22 PASSED TWO TO ZERO, AND I BELIEVE WE CAN PLACE IT ON
23 CONSENT UNLESS WE HEAR FROM SIERRA COUNTY THAT THEY
24 WANT TO MAKE A PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

25 MR. HUSTON: THANK YOU.



1 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: NEXT, NOW DO WE NEED A
2 SHORT BREAK DO THE EQUIPMENT STUFF OR NOT OR IS IT
3 READY TO GO?

4 OKAY. WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM 11, AND THAT IS
5 THE SITING ELEMENT FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND
6 I'LL CALL ON STAFF TO MAKE THEIR PRESENTATION.

7 MR. BRENNAN: GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN CHESBRO,
8 COMMITTEE MEMBER. MY NAME IS TERRY BRENNAN FROM THE
9 OFFICE OF LOCAL ASSISTANCE. AND BEFORE I GET INTO ANY
10 DETAIL REGARDING THE ITEM BEFORE YOU, I WANT TO TAKE A
11 MOMENT TO DESCRIBE THE PURPOSE OF A COUNTYWIDE SITING
12 ELEMENT AND SUMMARY PLAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF SOME OF OUR
13 AUDIENCE MEMBERS WHO MAY NOT BE AS FAMILIAR WITH THESE
14 DOCUMENTS.

15 THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT IS A
16 PLANNING DOCUMENT REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA STATUTE TO
17 PLAN FOR A MINIMUM OF 15 YEARS OF DISPOSAL CAPACITY FOR
18 SOLID WASTE THAT CANNOT BE OTHERWISE DIVERTED.
19 COUNTIES ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE DISPOSAL CAPACITY
20 PROJECTIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF
21 THE SOURCE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING ELEMENTS WITHIN THE
22 COUNTY AND IDENTIFY 15 YEARS OF EXISTING OR PLANNED
23 DISPOSAL.

24 THE SITING ELEMENT IS NOT REQUIRED TO
25 INCLUDE DIVERSION PLANNING INFORMATION, HOUSEHOLD



1 HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM PLANNING INFORMATION, OR
2 INFORMATION ON NONDISPOSAL FACILITIES, SUCH AS TRANSFER
3 STATIONS. THE PLANNING DOCUMENTS THAT DEAL WITH THESE
4 ISSUES ARE THE SOURCE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING ELEMENT,
5 THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ELEMENT, AND THE
6 NONDISPOSAL FACILITY ELEMENT.

7 THE PURPOSE OF THE COUNTYWIDE SUMMARY
8 PLAN IS TO PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF ALL CITY AND COUNTY
9 SOURCE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING ELEMENTS, HOUSEHOLD
10 HAZARDOUS WASTE ELEMENTS, AND NONDISPOSAL FACILITY
11 ELEMENTS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS AN OVERVIEW
12 OF DISPOSAL WITHIN THE COUNTY. THEY MUST ALSO DESCRIBE
13 PLANS FOR INTEGRATION OF PROGRAMS.

14 STAFF REVIEW SHOWS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
15 SITING ELEMENT DESCRIBES, AS REQUIRED BY STATUTE AND
16 REGULATION, AN ESTIMATE OF CAPACITY NEEDED FOR A
17 15-YEAR PERIOD, THE SITING CRITERIA THAT WE'LL USE TO
18 DETERMINE EXPANSION OF EXISTING FACILITY -- DISPOSAL
19 FACILITIES, AND SITING OF NEW DISPOSAL FACILITIES, AND
20 IDENTIFICATION OF AREAS FOR NEW OR EXPANDED FACILITIES
21 TO PROVIDE FOR A MINIMUM OF COMBINED DISPOSAL CAPACITY
22 FOR 15 YEARS.

23 STAFF REVIEW SHOWS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
24 SUMMARY PLAN CONTAINS, AS REQUIRED BY STATUTE, A
25 SUMMARY OF COUNTYWIDE DIVERSION PROGRAMS, WASTE



1 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, AND FINANCING FOR PROGRAM
2 IMPLEMENTATION, ALL PERMITTED SOLID WASTE FACILITIES
3 AND EXISTING WASTE DIVERSION FACILITIES COUNTYWIDE, AND
4 INTEGRATION STRATEGIES FOR REDUCING, DIVERTING,
5 MARKETING, AND SAFELY HANDLING THE DISPOSAL OF SOLID
6 WASTE GENERATED COUNTYWIDE.

7 FOR BOTH THE SITING ELEMENT AND SUMMARY
8 PLAN, THE COUNTY HAS PROVIDED ADEQUATE DOCUMENTATION
9 INDICATING PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE DOCUMENTS AND CEQA
10 WERE HELD AND THAT THE PUBLIC WAS NOTIFIED OF THOSE
11 HEARINGS. THE COUNTY ALSO PROVIDED ADEQUATE
12 DOCUMENTATION SHOWING THE SITING ELEMENT AND SUMMARY
13 PLAN WERE APPROVED BY THE COUNTY AND A MAJORITY OF THE
14 CITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY WHICH CONTAIN THE MAJORITY OF
15 THE POPULATION.

16 THE SITING ELEMENT WAS APPROVED BY 83 OF
17 88 CITIES IN THE COUNTY, AND THE SUMMARY PLAN WAS
18 APPROVED BY 85 OF THE 88 CITIES IN THE COUNTY. BOTH
19 DOCUMENTS WERE APPROVED BY CITIES REPRESENTING OVER 90
20 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION.

21 BECAUSE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SITING
22 ELEMENT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF STATUTE AND
23 REGULATION, STAFF RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THIS DOCUMENT.
24 BECAUSE THERE'S STILL A FEW OUTSTANDING HOUSEHOLD
25 HAZARDOUS WASTE ELEMENTS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN ACTED UPON



1 BY THE BOARD, STAFF IS RECOMMENDING CONDITIONAL
2 APPROVAL OF THE SUMMARY PLAN, AS IS THE BOARD'S
3 ESTABLISHED PROCEDURE.

4 AT THIS POINT ELLIOT BLOCK OF THE BOARD'S
5 LEGAL OFFICE IS HERE TO PRESENT YOU WITH A LITTLE MORE
6 INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR OPTIONS ON THIS ITEM.

7 MR. BLOCK: THIS WILL TAKE JUST A MOMENT TO
8 PULL UP THE CORRECT -- ACTUALLY I HAVE A NUMBER OF
9 OVERHEADS THAT I'M NOT GOING TO USE THIS MORNING
10 BECAUSE TERRY WENT OVER THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS OF THE
11 SITING ELEMENT AND THE STAFF'S ANALYSIS THAT THE LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY SITING ELEMENT MEETS THE STATUTORY AND
13 PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS.

14 BRIEFLY, I JUST WANTED TO OUTLINE THE
15 BOARD'S OPTIONS IN DEALING WITH THIS DOCUMENT. PUBLIC
16 RESOURCES CODE SECTION 41800(A) PROVIDES THAT THE BOARD
17 SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE SITING ELEMENT -- ACTUALLY
18 THIS APPLIES TO THE SUMMARY PLAN AS WELL -- IS IN
19 COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS AS NOTED PREVIOUSLY
20 AND BASED ON THE DETERMINATION, THE BOARD SHALL
21 APPROVE, CONDITIONALLY APPROVE, OR DISAPPROVE THE
22 ELEMENT.

23 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: CONDITIONS WOULD BE RELATED
24 TO THE --

25 MR. BLOCK: I'M GOING TO GET THERE. PUBLIC



1 RESOURCES CODE SECTION 41810 PROVIDES THAT IF THE BOARD
2 CONDITIONALLY APPROVES THE ELEMENT, IT SHALL ISSUE A
3 NOTICE OF CONDITIONAL APPROVAL IDENTIFYING THE SPECIFIC
4 REASONS, THE DEFICIENCIES IN MEETING THOSE STATUTORY OR
5 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS, AND SHALL INCLUDE SPECIFIC
6 RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO CORRECT THE DEFICIENCIES.

7 IF THE BOARD DISAPPROVES THE ELEMENT, IT
8 ISSUES A NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY IDENTIFYING HOW THAT
9 DOCUMENT WAS DEFICIENT, AND AGAIN INCLUDES IN THAT
10 NOTICE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO CORRECT THE
11 DEFICIENCIES.

12 THE DOCUMENT ITSELF, AS TERRY HAS
13 OUTLINED, IS BASICALLY A PLANNING DOCUMENT, THAT THE
14 REQUIREMENTS THAT THE BOARD IS LOOKING AT IS THAT THE
15 COUNTY HAS IDENTIFIED CAPACITY THAT WILL BE NEEDED AND
16 HAS IDENTIFIED SITES AND/OR STRATEGY TO MEET THAT
17 NEEDED CAPACITY. THE BOARD, IN LOOKING AT A SITING
18 ELEMENT, IF IT MEETS THE CONTENT AND PROCEDURAL
19 REQUIREMENTS, SHALL APPROVE THE DOCUMENT. IF IT DOES
20 NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS, THEN THE BOARD CONDITIONALLY
21 APPROVES OR DISAPPROVES THEIR DOCUMENTS.

22 AND I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE FACT THAT THE
23 STATUTE TALKS ABOUT PROVIDES RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO
24 FIX THAT DOCUMENT. THE BOARD IS NOT AUTHORIZED UNDER
25 STATUTE TO REWRITE THE DOCUMENT OR MAKE CHANGES OR



1 ACTUALLY EVEN TO SPECIFY HOW THOSE CHANGES NEED TO BE
2 MADE. IT CAN IDENTIFY HOW THE DOCUMENT IS DEFICIENT,
3 CAN MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW IT BELIEVES THOSE CAN
4 BE FIXED, BUT ULTIMATELY THAT DECISION IS MADE BY THE
5 LOCAL JURISDICTIONS THROUGH THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS
6 AND THE MAJORITY/MAJORITY APPROVAL PROCESS.

7 SO THE BOARD'S DETERMINATION IS NOT AN
8 EVALUATION OF WHETHER DIFFERENT CHOICES SHOULD HAVE
9 BEEN MADE. AND THAT IS BASICALLY ALL I WAS GOING TO
10 SAY FOR THE MOMENT. I KNOW SOME OF THESE ISSUES MAY
11 COME UP LATER TODAY. BUT IF YOU HAD ANY QUESTIONS AT
12 THIS POINT, I CAN CERTAINLY ENTERTAIN THOSE.

13 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: ANY QUESTIONS? APPARENTLY
14 NOT. THAT COMPLETE STAFF PRESENTATION?

15 MR. BRENNAN: YES, IT DOES.

16 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: THANK YOU. I'VE GOT A
17 NUMBER OF SPEAKING REQUESTS, AND THERE ARE FORMS IN THE
18 BACK OF THE ROOM WHICH MAKE IT HELPFUL TO ME IN TERMS
19 OF CALLING ON PEOPLE. IF THERE ARE OTHERS WHO HAVEN'T
20 FILLED IT OUT WHO WANT TO SPEAK, PLEASE FILL IT OUT AND
21 BRING IT UP TO THE COMMITTEE'S ASSISTANT, KATHY MARSH
22 HERE.

23 THE FIRST PERSON I'M GOING TO CALL ON IS
24 MIKE MOHAJER, REPRESENTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY
25 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.



1 MR. MOHAJER: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR, MR.
2 FRAZEE. AGAIN, FOR THE MATTER OF THE RECORD, MR.
3 CHAIRMAN, MY NAME IS MIKE MOHAJER. AND ON BEHALF OF
4 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, I
5 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE A
6 BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE PROCESS WE UTILIZED TO ENSURE
7 FULL INVOLVEMENT OF ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS IN THE
8 PREPARATION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY INTEGRATED WASTE
9 MANAGEMENT SUMMARY PLAN AND THE COUNTYWIDE SITING
10 ELEMENT.

11 LITTLE BACKGROUND ABOUT L.A. COUNTY, JUST
12 IN CASE SOMEONE ELSE DOESN'T KNOW, WE HAVE 88 CITIES IN
13 THE COUNTY AND 78 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. SO FROM
14 LEGAL STANDPOINT, WE GOT 89 JURISDICTIONS. WE ARE
15 ROUGHLY ABOUT 4100 SQUARE MILES. WE HAVE ROUGHLY ABOUT
16 9.3 MILLION PEOPLE. FROM POPULATIONWISE, WE ARE BIGGER
17 THAN 42 STATES IN THE NATION. WE ARE LARGER THAN 162
18 COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD. ECONOMICALLY WE RANK 17 AMONG
19 THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRY. AND IN 1995, BASED ON THE
20 POPULATION, THE COMBINED -- OUR POPULATION WAS LARGER
21 THAN THE COMBINED POPULATION OF 48 OTHER COUNTIES IN
22 THE STATE. ONE OUT OF THREE CALIFORNIAN LIVE IN LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY, AND OUR PROJECTION IS THAT BETWEEN 1995
24 AND YEAR 2010, WHICH IS THE 15 YEARS PLANNING PERIOD
25 FOR THE SITING ELEMENT, OUR POPULATION IS GOING TO BE



1 INCREASED BY ADDITIONAL 1.8 MILLION PEOPLE.

2 THE COUNTY'S SHEAR SIZE, DIVERSITY OF ITS
3 POPULATION, ITS DYNAMIC ECONOMY, NUMEROUS POLITICAL
4 SUBDIVISION, AND THE COMPLEXITY OF THE SOLID WASTE
5 MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PRESENT AN ENORMOUS CHALLENGE IN
6 ADDRESSING THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT NEED OF LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY. PREPARING AND OBTAINING APPROVAL FOR
8 THE SUMMARY PLAN AND SITING ELEMENT FOR LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY HAS BEEN A MAJOR CHALLENGE, WHICH SO FAR HAS
10 TAKEN OVER THREE AND A HALF YEARS. SO IT WASN'T A
11 MATTER OF PUTTING SOME DOCUMENT TOGETHER IN A FEW
12 MONTHS.

13 PREPARATION OF THE SUMMARY PLAN AND
14 SITING ELEMENT BEGAN AFTER THE STATE ADOPTED THEIR
15 REGULATION FOR THE CONTENTS OF THESE TWO DOCUMENTS IN
16 AUGUST OF 1994. THESE DOCUMENTS WERE PREPARED UNDER
17 THE AUSPICES OF OUR LOCAL TASK FORCE, WHICH THEIR
18 PARTICIPATION WAS ESSENTIAL IN PREPARING OF THIS
19 DOCUMENT. SO BRIEFLY, TALKING ABOUT -- LITTLE BIT
20 ABOUT OUR LOCAL TASK FORCE, IN 1999, AFTER THE
21 AB -- 1990, AFTER AB 939 WAS ENACTED, IN FEBRUARY OF
22 THAT YEAR, WE RECOMMENDED A PROFILE AND A STRUCTURE OF
23 THE TASK FORCE TO ALL THE CITIES. AT THAT TIME I THINK
24 IT WAS 85 OR 86 CITIES, SO THESE CITIES APPROVED THE
25 RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD AS TO STRUCTURE AND THE



1 PROFILE OF THE LOCAL TASK FORCE IN JUNE OF 1990,
2 REPRESENTING 77 CITIES AND OVER 97 PERCENT OF THE
3 POPULATION.

4 SO BASED ON THE ACTION OF THE CITIES FOR
5 THE TASK FORCE FORMATION, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ALSO
6 APPROVED THE PROFILE AND STRUCTURE OF THE TASK FORCE IN
7 JULY, MID-JULY OF 1990. SO IT GOES BACK EIGHT YEARS
8 AGO.

9 SO OUR TASK FORCE GOT 17 MEMBERS. SIX OF
10 THEM ARE EX OFFICIO MEMBER, AND THOSE ARE BASICALLY THE
11 COUNTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, THE COUNTY DIRECTOR OF
12 HEALTH SERVICES, WHICH IS ALSO LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
13 FOR MAJORITY OF THE CITIES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THREE
14 CITIES IN THE COUNTY, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE SANITATION
15 DISTRICTS, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF LOS
16 ANGELES BUREAU OF SANITATION, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
17 WORKS FOR CITY OF LONG BEACH, AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF
18 THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS.

19 THERE ARE 11 APPOINTEES THAT SERVE ON
20 THAT TASK FORCE. THREE ARE APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY
21 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, REPRESENTING SPECIFICALLY ONE
22 ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, ONE GENERAL PUBLIC, AND ONE
23 BUSINESSES. THERE ARE THREE APPOINTEE BY THE CITY OF
24 LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL, THREE APPOINTEES BY THE
25 CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF CITIES, L.A. COUNTY DIVISION, AND



1 TWO APPOINTEES OF WASTE INDUSTRIES.

2 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TASK FORCE ARE
3 THOSE LISTED ON AB 939, INCLUDING THE REVIEW AND
4 COMMENTING ON ALL THE JURISDICTIONS' SRRE'S, NDFE'S,
5 AND HHWE'S AND ALSO WORKING WITH THE COUNTY STAFF IN
6 PREPARATION OF THE SITING ELEMENT AND THE SUMMARY PLAN.
7 AND ONE ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITY THAT THEY ALSO HAVE
8 IS TO REVIEW AND GRANT FINDING OF CONFORMANCE PROCESS
9 FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW OR EXPANSION OF EXISTING
10 FACILITY FOR CONSISTENCY WITH THE EXISTING COUNTY SOLID
11 WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND THE SITING ELEMENT ONCE THE
12 INTEGRATED PLAN IS APPROVED.

13 SO WITH THIS LITTLE BACKGROUND ON THE
14 TASK FORCE, LET'S GO BACK TO TALKING ABOUT, AGAIN, THE
15 PREPARATION PROCESS OF THESE TWO DOCUMENTS, WHICH I
16 SAID STARTED IN LATE 1994. AND IN EARLY '96, WE
17 COMPLETED PREPARATION OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT OF THE
18 DOCUMENTS. WE FORWARDED THOSE DOCUMENTS TO ALL THE
19 CITIES, WE -- ALL THE OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY, AND
20 THE PUBLICS, AND OVER 200 COUNTY AND CITY LIBRARIES
21 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. WE CONDUCTED NUMEROUS PUBLIC
22 HEARING AT EVENING HOURS AND DID AN EXTENSIVE CAMPAIGN
23 AS FAR AS NOTIFYING THE PUBLIC AS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION
24 MEETINGS ARE GOING TO BE AND AVAILABILITY OF THOSE
25 DOCUMENTS.



1 THE FIRST GO AROUND, OUR REVIEW PERIOD
2 WAS 45 DAYS. THAT WAS EXTENDED BY ADDITIONAL 45 DAYS
3 AND AGAIN BY 120 MORE DAYS FOR A TOTAL OF 210 DAYS OF
4 REVIEW PERIOD. DURING THIS TIME WE ALSO MET, MYSELF,
5 EXTENSIVELY WITH THE VARIOUS CITY GROUPS, JOINT POWER
6 AUTHORITIES OF THE CITIES, AND INDIVIDUAL CITIES, SUCH
7 AS CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS,
8 SUCH AS NRDC.

9 AND, MR. CHAIR, I NOTICE YOU HAD A LETTER
10 FROM MS. LYNN PLAMBECK, WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO GET A
11 COPY OF IT, REPRESENTING LASER, WHICH WE ALSO MET AND
12 THEY WERE INVOLVED WITH US OVER SEVERAL MONTHS.

13 SO AFTER THE PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD ENDED
14 IN LATE OCTOBER OF '96, WE BEGAN PREPARATION OF THE
15 FINAL DRAFT OF THE DOCUMENTS, AND THE LOCAL TASK FORCE
16 AND THAT PROCESS WAS COMPLETED, AND THE TASK FORCE GAVE
17 ITS BLESSING OF IT IN FEBRUARY OF '97. ULTIMATELY OUR
18 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZED THE RELEASE OF IT --
19 OF THOSE TWO DOCUMENTS TO GO TO THE CITIES IN JUNE OF
20 '97 -- MATTER OF FACT, JUNE 24TH WOULD BE ONE YEAR LAST
21 YEAR -- TO GO TO THE CITIES FOR THE 90-DAY STATUTORY
22 APPROVAL PROCESS.

23 AT THE END OF THE 90 DAYS, WE HAD, AS A
24 STAFF INDICATED, WE HAD 85 CITIES REPRESENTING OVER 98
25 PERCENT OF THE CITIES' POPULATION, NOT THE WHOLE



1 COUNTY, CITIES' POPULATION. THEY APPROVED THE SUMMARY
2 PLAN, 83 CITIES, REPRESENTING 97 PERCENT OF THE CITIES'
3 POPULATION APPROVED THE SITING ELEMENT, AND THEN
4 SUBSEQUENT TO THEIR ACTION THE -- OUR BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS APPROVED THE DOCUMENT IN LATE JANUARY OF
6 '98, AND THAT'S WHERE WE ARE TODAY.

7 SO WITH THAT IN MIND, I JUST WANT TO
8 INDICATE THAT WE ARE PROUD OF THE TWO DOCUMENTS. IT
9 WAS A TREMENDOUS UNDERTAKING AND A PROCESS THAT HAS,
10 AGAIN, TAKEN OVER THREE AND A HALF YEARS. THIS TIME
11 WAS WELL SPENT WHEN YOU CONSIDER NUMBER OF
12 JURISDICTIONS THAT WE HAVE INVOLVED, OUR DYNAMIC
13 ECONOMY, AND COMPLEXITY OF WASTE MANAGEMENT IN LOS
14 ANGELES COUNTY, AND OUR TREMENDOUS EFFORTS TO ENSURE
15 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS INVOLVEMENT
16 IN THE PROCESS FOR PREPARATION OF THESE DOCUMENTS.

17 MR. CHAIR, I'M NOT GOING TO GO OVER THE
18 DETAIL OF THE DOCUMENT. THE STAFF HAVE ALREADY DONE
19 THAT IN THEIR STAFF REPORT, BUT I WOULD BE MORE THAN
20 HAPPY TO PROVIDE DETAILED DISCUSSION IF YOU SO DESIRE.
21 AND I WILL BE AROUND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU
22 MAY HAVE. AT THE CONCLUSION, MY RECOMMENDATION IS ON
23 BEHALF OF THE COUNTY TO APPROVE THE DOCUMENTS. THANK
24 YOU.

25 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: THANKS. YOU HAVE ANY



1 QUESTIONS?

2 MEMBER FRAZEE: NOT AT THIS TIME.

3 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: I HAVE A QUESTION FOR YOU,
4 AND THIS SEGUES A LITTLE BIT INTO WHAT I THINK WE'RE
5 GOING TO HEAR LATER. AND IT'S NOT PREJUDGING THE
6 QUESTION OF WHETHER WE HAVE AUTHORITY TO GET INVOLVED
7 IN INDIVIDUAL SITES, BUT I'M INTERESTED, JUST FROM
8 UNDERSTAND MY UNDERSTANDING STANDPOINT. YOU KNOW, WE
9 WENT THROUGH THIS PROCESS OF DISCUSSION WITH ELSMERE
10 CANYON, AND THEN THERE WAS A FEDERAL ACT WHICH
11 PRECLUDED -- TOOK THE FEDERAL LAND THAT WAS GOING TO BE
12 NECESSARY FOR THE PROJECT OUT. AND SO I'M CURIOUS.

13 IS THE INCLUSION OF ELSMERE CANYON IN THE
14 SITING ELEMENT BECAUSE, IN FACT, THERE'S AN INTENTION
15 TO PROCEED WITH IT AS A LANDFILL SITE, OR IS IT AN
16 ARTIFACT THAT DIDN'T GET CHANGED IN THE PROCESS AS A
17 RESULT OF NOT WANTING TO GO BACK AND GO THROUGH THE
18 PROCESS AGAIN IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE IT?

19 MR. MOHAJER: MR. CHAIR, ONCE THAT LEGISLATION
20 OMNIBUS PARK AND REC BILL -- CAN'T REMEMBER EXACTLY
21 NUMBER --- WHEN THAT ONE WAS ENACTED IN LATE 1996, WE
22 REVISED THE SITING ELEMENT AS A PART OF PREPARATION OF
23 THE DRAFT ELEMENT BASED ON WHAT THE PROJECT PROPONENT
24 HAS PREPARED AFTER THE ENACTMENT OF THAT LEGISLATION.
25 LEGISLATION PROHIBITED THE LAND EXCHANGE. AND AS A



1 RESULT OF IT, THE ORIGINAL PRELIMINARY DRAFT OF THE
2 DOCUMENT HAD GONE OUT HAD SHOWN THE ELSMERE WITH A
3 CAPACITY OF APPROXIMATELY 190 MILLION TONS. AS A
4 RESULT OF THE ENACTMENT OF THE LEGISLATION, AND BASED
5 ON THE DESIGN THE PROJECT PROPONENT PROVIDE US, REVISED
6 DESIGN, THEY HAVE COMPLETELY ELIMINATED ALL AREAS
7 WHATSOEVER WITHIN THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST. SO THE
8 LAND THAT THE PROJECT PROPONENT IS MOVING FORWARD WITH
9 THE PROPOSED ELSMERE, EVERYTHING IS OUTSIDE AND HAS A
10 CAPACITY NOW OF ONLY 80 MILLION TONS. SO IT WAS
11 REDUCED.

12 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: THE REMAINDER, THOUGH, WAS
13 CONSCIOUSLY INCLUDED AS A POTENTIAL SITE?

14 MR. MOHAJER: ABSOLUTELY. CURRENTLY THERE ARE
15 STILL PENDING APPLICATION BY THE PROJECT PROPONENT, AND
16 THE PROJECT PROPONENT HAS NOT WITHDRAW THEIR
17 APPLICATION WITH OUR LAND USE AGENCY, AND AS SUCH IS A
18 VERY VALID PROJECT.

19 MEMBER FRAZEE: FOLLOW UP ON THAT, IF THAT 80
20 MILLION TON CAPACITY WERE NOT AVAILABLE, WHAT WOULD
21 THAT DO TO YOUR 15-YEAR REQUIREMENT FOR CAPACITY THEN?

22 MR. MOHAJER: OUR SITING ELEMENT HAS FIVE
23 DIFFERENT SCENARIOS. IT HAS A BEST SCENARIO AND A
24 WORST SCENARIO. ONE OF THE SCENARIO IS STATUS QUO.
25 ASSUMING EVERYTHING HAS TO BE HANDLED IN COUNTY AND IF



1 THAT HAPPENS, WE PROBABLY WOULD RUN SHORT OF DAILY
2 PERMITTED CAPACITY SOMETIME BY THE TURN OF THE CENTURY.
3 IF EVERYTHING GETS DEVELOPED, WE GOT PLENTY OF
4 CAPACITY. SO IN ACTUALITY, WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IT'S
5 GOING TO BE SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN.

6 AND AS YOU KNOW, THE WASTE MANAGEMENT,
7 IT'S VERY DYNAMIC. REALLY THE ECONOMY PLAYS A ROLE.
8 LET'S SAY BACK IN 1996, AT LEAST MYSELF, I NEVER
9 IMAGINED THAT ORANGE COUNTY WOULD GO BANKRUPT, AND AS A
10 RESULT THEY OPENED THEIR LANDFILL. SO ALL I CAN TELL
11 YOU THAT IF THAT SITE DOESN'T GETS DEVELOPED, DEPENDING
12 WHAT HAPPENS WITH OTHER SITES, WE MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE
13 CAPACITY. I CAN'T PROJECT THAT OTHER THAN MAKING
14 CERTAIN GUESSTIMATE AT WHAT WOULD HAPPEN. IF ALL THE
15 LANDFILL SITES THAT WE HAVE IDENTIFIED, EXISTING
16 FACILITIES WE HAVE IDENTIFIED FOR EXPANSION, IF ALL
17 THOSE FACILITIES ARE PERMITTED FOR EXPANSION, THEN WE
18 WOULD BE ADEQUATE FOR THE 15 YEARS CAPACITY. WHETHER
19 THOSE ARE GOING TO HAPPEN OR NOT, I'M NOT IN A POSITION
20 TO ANSWER. I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT THE POLITICAL AND
21 THE ECONOMY OF THE WHOLE SITUATION IS GOING TO BE.

22 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: I JUST THOUGHT OF ANOTHER
23 QUESTION. IN THE WRITTEN MATERIALS WHICH WERE
24 SUBMITTED TO US, AND WE'LL BE HAPPY TO MAKE COPIES
25 AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD, THERE WAS A STATEMENT



1 MADE ATTRIBUTED TO A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE L.A. COUNTY
2 SANITATION DISTRICTS THAT THERE WOULD BE NO NEW
3 LANDFILLS SITED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I PRESUME FROM
4 THE SUBMISSION OF THIS ELEMENT THAT THAT'S NOT THE
5 OFFICIAL POSITION OF THE COUNTY.

6 MR. MOHAJER: WELL, COUNTY SANITATION
7 DISTRICTS REALLY ARE NOT PART OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
8 GOVERNMENT. THEY ARE A SPECIAL DISTRICTS, AND I'M NOT
9 REPRESENTING. THEIR NAME SAYS COUNTY SANITATION
10 DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, BUT THEY'RE A SPECIAL
11 DISTRICT. SO, MR. CHAIRS, I CAN'T SPEAK FOR THEM.

12 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: IN ANY CASE, THAT STATEMENT
13 THAT WAS PURPORTED TO HAVE BEEN MADE DOES NOT OBVIOUSLY
14 REFLECT WHAT'S IN THE ELEMENT.

15 MR. MOHAJER: ABSOLUTELY NOT. THAT IS NOT OUR
16 POSITION.

17 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. THANKS. NEXT I WILL
18 CALL ON COUNCILWOMAN LOREEN WEST OF THE CITY OF SANTA
19 CLARITA.

20 COUNCILWOMAN WEST: GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN
21 CHESBRO AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE. I'M LOREEN
22 WEST, AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
23 CITY COUNCIL, AND I'M VERY PLEASED TO BE HERE WITH YOU
24 THIS MORNING. THANK YOU FOR ENTERTAINING OUR
25 TESTIMONY.



1 I REPRESENT 145,000 RESIDENTS LIVING
2 WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AND ANOTHER 40,000 RESIDING IN
3 THE SURROUNDING AREA UNINCORPORATED IN OUR VALLEY. WE
4 ARE LOCATED NORTHWEST ANGELES COUNTY, AND WE'RE PLEASED
5 TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY ON THIS COUNTYWIDE
6 SITING ELEMENT.

7 ON BEHALF OF MY COMMUNITY, I'D LIKE TO
8 REQUEST THAT YOU ELIMINATE ALL REFERENCES TO ELSMERE
9 CANYON FROM THE SITING ELEMENT. SANTA CLARITA HAS
10 TAKEN THE LEADERSHIP ROLE IN OPPOSING THE SITING OF THE
11 LANDFILL ADJACENT TO OUR COMMUNITY. OUR CITY IS ONE OF
12 FIVE IN L.A. COUNTY WHICH VOTED TO REJECT THE
13 COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT. MY REQUEST THIS MORNING IS
14 NOT SIMPLY NOT IN MY BACKYARD. IT'S NOT THAT KIND OF A
15 RESPONSE TO THE SITING ELEMENT.

16 THIS SITING ELEMENT IS A SOLID WASTE
17 PLANNING DOCUMENT WHICH AFFECTS APPROXIMATELY ONE-THIRD
18 OF CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS. YOU NOTED THAT THIS MORNING
19 IN YOUR OWN TESTIMONY. THAT'S ABOUT 5 PERCENT OF THE
20 POPULATION OF THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES. ANY SUCH
21 ACTION THAT YOU WOULD TAKE WILL HAVE PROFOUND
22 IMPLICATIONS ON SOLID WASTE OF L.A. COUNTY, AND THIS
23 REVERBERATES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES AND THROUGHOUT
24 OUR STATE.

25 I'D LIKE TO NOTE THAT YOUR OWN WEB PAGE



1 REPORT INFORMATION THIS MORNING NOTES THAT YOU ARE
2 TRYING TO IMPACT THE COUNTRY WITH HOW TO RECYCLE AND
3 HOW TO BE EFFICIENT, AND I THINK THAT THAT IS AN
4 INCREDIBLY GOOD GOAL ON YOUR PART, BUT IT DOES NOTE
5 THAT YOU DO INTEND TO IMPACT BEYOND THE STATE OF
6 CALIFORNIA.

7 AS A LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL, I
8 APPRECIATE THE STRUGGLE THAT YOU ARE FACING IN WANTING
9 TO BE CAREFUL THAT YOU DO NOT UNDULY INTERFERE WITH
10 LOCAL SELF-DETERMINATION; NEVERTHELESS, CONTAINED IN
11 THE L.A. COUNTY SITING ELEMENT ARE SCENARIOS WHICH
12 ENABLE THE COUNTY TO HAVE A VIABLE SITING ELEMENT IN
13 CONFORMANCE WITH THE STATE LAW WHICH YOU CAN APPROVE
14 TODAY WHILE REMOVING ELSMERE CANYON FROM ALL FURTHER
15 CONSIDERATION.

16 AS YOU KNOW, STATE LAW REQUIRES THE
17 COUNTY TO DEMONSTRATE THAT IT HAS 15 YEARS OF DISPOSAL
18 CAPACITY. THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT
19 BOARD HAS PERMITTED REMOTE LANDFILL SITES OUTSIDE OF
20 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH ARE NOW CLAMORING FOR L.A.
21 COUNTY'S WASTE AT COMPETITIVE PRICES. YOUR STAFF
22 ANALYSIS OF THE SITING ELEMENT CLEARLY SHOWS THAT IF
23 ALL THE STRATEGIES CONTAINED IN THE DOCUMENT COME TO
24 FRUITION DURING THE 15-YEAR PLANNING PERIOD, L.A.
25 COUNTY WILL HAVE EXCESS CAPACITY EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT OF



1 CAPACITY PROVIDED BY TWO NEW LANDFILL SITES IDENTIFIED
2 IN THE DOCUMENT, ELSMERE CANYON AND BLIND CANYON.

3 THE MANDATES OF STATE LAW CAN BE MET
4 WITHOUT INCLUDING ELSMERE CANYON IN L.A. COUNTY'S
5 SITING ELEMENT. ALTHOUGH AN ARGUMENT COULD BE MADE
6 THAT L.A. COUNTY HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE
7 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH ADOPTION OF A
8 SITING ELEMENT, HAS THE SPIRIT OF AB 939 BEEN MET? AT
9 THE LOCAL LEVEL, WE HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO MEET THE
10 DIVERSION GOALS, AND SANTA CLARITA PRESENTLY STANDS AT
11 A 42-PERCENT WASTE DIVERSION WITH FULL IMPLEMENTATION
12 OF OUR GREEN WASTE PROGRAM, AND THE NEXT FEW MONTHS WE
13 WILL HIT 50-PERCENT DIVERSION MANDATE A FULL YEAR IN
14 ADVANCE OF THE COMPLIANCE DATES.

15 THE INCLUSION OF ELSMERE CANYON IN THE
16 SITING ELEMENT SENDS A STRONG MESSAGE TO L.A. COUNTY,
17 ITS CONSTITUENT CITIES, AND ITS RESIDENTS THAT
18 RECYCLING AND SOURCE REDUCTION ARE STILL SUBSERVIENT IN
19 THE SOLID WASTE HIERARCHY RATHER THAN PLACING GREATER
20 EMPHASIS ON ALTERNATIVES THAT HAVE BEEN PROPOSED BY US
21 AND OTHERS FOR MANY YEARS. WHILE THIS SITING ELEMENT
22 CAN BE ADVANCED SIMPLY AS A PLANNING DOCUMENT, ON THE
23 STREETS OF OUR CITY, THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA,
24 RESIDENCES AND BUSINESSES SEEKING TO MOVE TO OUR
25 COMMUNITY AND ENTREPRENEURS SEEKING TO DEVELOP PARCELS



1 NEAR ELSMERE CANYON WILL FEEL A CHILLING EFFECT IF THEY
2 THINK THAT SOMEDAY A LANDFILL WILL BE LOCATED NEAR
3 THEM. FULL DISCLOSURE OF THE INCLUSION OF ELSMERE
4 CANYON IN THE SITING ELEMENT AND APPROVAL BY THE
5 CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD WILL
6 CERTAINLY HAVE A NEGATIVE EFFECT ON OUR REGIONAL
7 ECONOMY.

8 THE STATE ACTION TO INCLUDE ELSMERE
9 CANYON IN THE SITING ELEMENT HAS THE PRACTICAL EFFECT
10 OF PLACING ONE LAND USE IN AN ADJACENT JURISDICTION IN
11 THE PRE-EMINENT POSITION OVER EVERY NEARBY LAND USE IN
12 THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA. LOCAL CONTROL CAN HAVE ALL
13 KINDS OF MEANINGS.

14 FURTHERMORE, THERE IS A DEMONSTRATED
15 INTEREST BY BOTH UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE AND THE
16 STATE OF CALIFORNIA THROUGH THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
17 CONSERVANCY TO PLACE ELSMERE CANYON AND PORTIONS OF
18 NEIGHBORING WHITNEY CANYON INTO PUBLIC OWNERSHIP. THIS
19 WOULD PROVIDE MUCH NEEDED OPEN SPACE IN THIS HIGHLY
20 URBAN COUNTY AND AFFORD ANOTHER ACCESS TO THE ANGELES
21 NATIONAL FOREST. THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST IS THE
22 SECOND MOST UTILIZED NATIONAL FOREST IN AMERICA. THIS
23 ISN'T SURPRISING CONSIDERING THE POPULATION THAT WE
24 SERVE.

25 WITH CLEAR EVIDENCE THAT L.A. COUNTY CAN



1 MEET THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AND THE INTENT OF THE
2 SITING ELEMENT LAW WITHOUT ELSMERE CANYON, THE REMOVAL
3 OF THE CANYON BY THIS COMMITTEE WILL CREATE A WIN-WIN
4 SITUATION FOR ALL PARTIES. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY TO YOU,
5 IF YOU HAVE NOT BECOME FAMILIAR WITH OUR COMMUNITY YET,
6 THAT IT IS HIGHLY UNUSUAL IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO
7 HAVE A COMMUNITY THAT IS NOT TRANSIENT. SANTA
8 CLARITA'S CHILDREN ARE BORN, RAISED, AND LIVE THEIR
9 LIFETIME IN THIS VALLEY. IT IS A COMPLETELY CLOSE-KNIT
10 AND DETERMINED AND FOCUSED COMMUNITY. IT HAS A VERY
11 UNUSUAL LIFESTYLE, AND WE ARE COMMITTED TO CONTINUING
12 THROUGH THIS PROCESS.

13 WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
14 CONSIDERATION OF OUR COMMENTS, AND WE HAVE BROUGHT
15 TECHNICAL EXPERTS TODAY, AND WE'D BE PLEASED TO ANSWER
16 ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE REGARDING TO
17 INFORMATION WE HAVE PREPARED. THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN.

18 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
19 COUNCILWOMAN. DO WE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?
20 NOT AT THIS POINT. THANK YOU.

21 NEXT I'M GOING TO CALL ON RUFUS YOUNG
22 REPRESENTING SANTA CLARITA.

23 MR. YOUNG: MR. CHAIRMAN, COUNCILMEMBER --
24 FORMER COUNCILMEMBER, FORMER MAYOR, NOW COMMITTEE
25 MEMBER FRAZEE, I'M RUFUS C. YOUNG, JR. OF BURKE,



1 WILLIAMS & SORENSON. WE ARE PLEASED TO REPRESENT THE
2 CITY OF SANTA CLARITA. BY MY LETTER DATED JUNE 16,
3 1998, WHICH ADDRESSES AGENDA ITEM 99, WHICH WAS THE
4 PLACEHOLDER, IT IS ON THIS ITEM NO. 11, I MADE SOME
5 COMMENTS. LET ME DISTILL THE COMMENTS AT THE OUTSET,
6 ELABORATE ON THEM A BIT, AND, I TRUST, RETURN TO THE
7 CONCLUSION.

8 IN SHORT, WE BELIEVE THAT THE COUNTYWIDE
9 SITING ELEMENT, NOT THE ADOPTION OF IT, BUT THE
10 INTERNAL ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS OF THE NEED FOR AN
11 ELSMERE CANYON TO BECOME A LANDFILL DID NOT COMPLY WITH
12 CEQA, DOES NOT COMPLY WITH CEQA, AND FOR THE BOARD TO
13 EMBRACE ELSMERE CANYON AS PART OF THE COUNTYWIDE SITING
14 ELEMENT WOULD BE TO VIOLATE CEQA.

15 SECONDLY, WE BELIEVE THAT THE COUNTYWIDE
16 SITING ELEMENT'S BIAS IN FAVOR OF A REQUIREMENT FOR
17 IN-COUNTY LANDFILL CAPACITY VIOLATES THE DORMANT
18 COMMERCE CLAUSE OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION. IT'S
19 UNCONSTITUTIONAL. IT'S NOT LEGAL. AND, THEREFORE,
20 SHOULD NOT BE EMBRACED BY THIS BOARD. AND WE QUESTION
21 WHETHER THE BOARD HAS AUTHORITY TO ADOPT SOMETHING -- A
22 COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT OR TO APPROVE IT WHEN IT IS
23 PREMISED ON AN UNCONSTITUTIONAL FOUNDATION.

24 LET ME ELABORATE JUST A BIT. AND BEFORE
25 I DO, LET ME COMMENT ON THE APPROVAL PROCESS. IT WAS



1 SUGGESTED THAT THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT WAS
2 APPROVED BY 83, WAS IT 85, OF THE CITIES IN THE
3 COUNTY. WELL, THAT SUGGESTS, IF YOU ARE LISTENING,
4 THAT, GEE, THERE WERE RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY ALL THESE
5 CITIES AND THEY WERE ENTHUSIASTICALLY ON BOARD WITH THE
6 COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT. WELL, SUCH WAS NOT THE
7 CASE. THE REALITY IS THERE WERE A HANDFUL OF CITIES
8 THAT APPROVED. THE REST SAT OUT THIS ONE. THEY DID
9 NOT APPROVE IT. THEIR FAILURE TO TAKE ACTION BY LAW
10 WAS DEEMED TO BE APPROVAL, BUT THERE'S A BIG
11 DIFFERENCE, I SUGGEST, IN INACTION WHICH IS DEEMED TO
12 BE APPROVAL AND AFFIRMATIVE APPROVAL. SO IT DOES NOT
13 REPRESENT ANY GREAT CLAMORING OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE
14 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN FAVOR OF ANYTHING.

15 NOW LET ME TURN TO THE TWO THEMES, THE
16 CEQA INADEQUACIES AND THE CONSTITUTIONAL INFIRMITIES.
17 FIRST, IT WAS SUGGESTED -- IT IS SUGGESTED IN THE
18 COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT THAT, GEE, ELSMERE CANYON IS
19 A PERFECTLY GOOD PLACE TO PUT A LANDFILL. EVEN IF
20 WE'RE NOT GOING TO PUT IT IN THE FEDERAL PART OF
21 ELSMERE CANYON, STILL JUST KIND OF A PEACHY KEEN PLACE
22 FOR A LANDFILL. THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT ATTEMPTS
23 TO GENERATE ENTHUSIASM FOR THIS RELOCATED, DOWNSIZED
24 LANDFILL.

25 WELL, THIS DOWNSIZED LANDFILL STILL HAS A



1 CAPACITY OF 80 MILLION TONS. THAT MUCH WE KNOW. WHAT
2 WE DON'T KNOW ARE THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES OF
3 PUTTING AN 80 MILLION TON LANDFILL IN THIS NEW LOCATION
4 IN THIS PRISTINE CANYON. AND THE REASON WE DON'T KNOW
5 THAT IS THAT, CONTRARY TO THE SUGGESTIONS IN THE
6 COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN AN
7 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT OR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
8 STATEMENT THAT ANALYZED A LANDFILL WITH THIS NEW
9 FOOTPRINT IN THIS NEW LOCATION. THIS IS NOT THE
10 LOCATION WHERE THE LANDFILL WOULD HAVE BEEN HAD NOT THE
11 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DRAWN A LINE IN THE PRISTINE CANYON
12 AND SAID NOT IN OUR NATIONAL FOREST.

13 SO TO THE EXTENT THAT THE COUNTYWIDE
14 SITING ELEMENT SUGGESTS THAT THERE HAS BEEN
15 ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS OF THIS, IT'S JUST NOT RIGHT.
16 IN FACT, IN A LETTER FROM THE RANGER IN CHARGE OF THE
17 ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST -- THIS IS A NATIONAL -- U.S.
18 FOREST SERVICE EXECUTIVE. HE EXPLAINED THAT HAD THAT
19 FEDERAL PORTION OF THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST NOT BEEN
20 WITHDRAWN FROM CONSIDERATION BY VIRTUE OF FEDERAL LAW,
21 HE STILL WOULD HAVE DISAPPROVED THE ELSMERE CANYON
22 LANDFILL PROPOSAL BECAUSE OTHER POTENTIAL IN-COUNTY
23 SITES WERE AVAILABLE, EXISTING IN-COUNTY LANDFILLS HAD
24 PROPOSAL, AND, AS WE'VE SEEN, HAD CONSIDERABLE PROPOSAL
25 OR POTENTIAL FOR EXPANSION, WASTE DIVERSION HAS NOT



1 BEEN FULLY EXPLORED, EXPORTATION TO OUT-OF-COUNTY
2 FACILITIES HAS NOT BEEN DEVELOPED, AND EXPORTATION TO
3 OUT-OF-STATE FACILITIES HAS NOT BEEN DEVELOPED.

4 WE ALSO SUBMIT ON THE INADEQUACIES OF
5 CEQA COMPLIANCE THEME THAT THE ANALYSIS OF
6 ALTERNATIVES, WHICH IS A REQUIRED ELEMENT OF CEQA
7 COMPLIANCE, WAS INADEQUATE FOR THIS COUNTYWIDE SITING
8 ELEMENT. THEY CONSIDERED ONLY FIVE SCENARIOS. THOSE
9 SCENARIOS WERE NOT ADEQUATE TO THE TASK. THEY WERE
10 LIMITED TO, IN SCENARIO C, THE ARTIFICIALLY LIMITED
11 EXPORT OF 6,000 TONS PER DAY. THAT'S TOTALLY
12 UNREALISTIC IN AN ERA, AS WAS MENTIONED EARLIER, ORANGE
13 COUNTY, IT COMES TO PASS, IS, DARE I SAY, LUSTING AFTER
14 LANDFILL CAPACITY OR LUSTING AFTER LANDFILL MATERIALS
15 TO GO INTO ITS LANDFILLS WHICH HAVE ADEQUATE CAPACITY.
16 OTHER LANDFILLS ARE COMING ON-LINE, APPROVALS ARE
17 COMING.

18 THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT FAILS TO
19 INTEGRATE SOURCE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING ELEMENTS IN A
20 MANNER ADEQUATE TO COMPLY WITH THE PUBLIC RESOURCES
21 CODE AND, THEREFORE, VIOLATES CEQA AS WELL.

22 ON THE POINT OF, HEY, IS THIS THING
23 CONSTITUTIONAL AND WHAT'S THAT MEAN, THE COUNTYWIDE
24 SITING ELEMENT SAYS ITSELF THAT IT IS A PLANNING
25 DOCUMENT TO PLAN FOR AND DEVELOP DISPOSAL CAPACITY



1 WITHIN THE COUNTY. WELL, GEE, THAT SOUNDS KIND OF
2 NICE, BUT WHAT IF YOU ARE A LANDFILL OPERATOR AND YOU
3 ARE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY OR OUTSIDE THE STATE? YOU ARE A
4 CARBON CANYON OR YOU ARE AN ARIZONA LANDFILL OR YOU ARE
5 AN ANYPLACE ELSE IN THE UNITED STATES LANDFILL OR
6 LANDFILL OPERATOR OR DISPOSAL SERVICE PROVIDER OF ANY
7 SORT. IS IT LAWFUL FOR A COUNTY OR ANY OTHER LOCAL
8 GOVERNMENT TO SAY, YEAH, GOT TO BE IN COUNTY? SHORT
9 ANSWER IS NO. THAT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL. IT'S AN
10 UNCONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION.

11 AND THE REASON I SAY THAT IS THAT THE
12 SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES SAYS SO IN THE
13 TOWN -- IN THE CASE OF CARBON AGAINST THE TOWN OF
14 CLARKSTOWN. SINCE I REPRESENT CITIES, I REFER TO CASES
15 THAT INVOLVE CITIES BY THE CITY NAME. SO TOWN OF
16 CLARKSTOWN, SOME CALL IT CARBON, SAYS, NO, YOU MAY NOT
17 SHIFT A -- THE FLOW OF SOLID WASTE TO FAVOR AN IN-TOWN,
18 IN THE CASE OF TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN, TRANSFER STATION.

19 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: IS IT YOUR UNDERSTANDING
20 THAT THE SITING ELEMENT WOULD IMPEDE OR PREVENT WASTE
21 FROM GOING OUT OF COUNTY OR OUT OF STATE?

22 MR. YOUNG: THE SITING ELEMENT DEMONSTRATES A
23 GOVERNMENTAL BIAS IN FAVOR OF DEVELOPMENT OF IN-COUNTY
24 CAPACITY. THAT'S NOT FAIR. THAT'S NOT
25 CONSTITUTIONAL.



1 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: BUT IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY
2 PROHIBIT THE WASTE FROM FLOWING TO ORANGE COUNTY, LET'S
3 SAY.

4 MR. YOUNG: IT MAY NOT OR MAY. THAT'S HARD TO
5 SAY BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL BE DEVELOPED. BUT
6 OUR POSITION IS THAT IT'S NOT CONSTITUTIONAL FOR THE
7 COUNTY TO ADOPT A SITING ELEMENT THAT HAS AS AN
8 ESSENTIAL INGREDIENT IN-COUNTY CAPACITY. IT HAS TO BE
9 COUNTY LINE NEUTRAL TO PASS CONSTITUTIONAL MUSTER. FOR
10 THE COUNTY TO BE COUNTY LINE NEUTRAL AND SETTLE ON
11 ELSMERE OR ANYPLACE ELSE IS ONE THING. FOR THE COUNTY
12 TO HAVE A PREDISPOSITION FOR IN-COUNTY CAPACITY AND
13 SAY, OKAY, WE GOT TO FIND SOMEPLACE IN COUNTY, IN THEIR
14 SEARCH TO FIND SOMEPLACE IN COUNTY, THEY NECESSARILY
15 EXCLUDE EVERY PLACE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY. THAT'S OUR
16 PREMISE.

17 WE SUBMIT FURTHER THAT THE COUNTYWIDE
18 SITING ELEMENT VIOLATES CEQA BECAUSE THE SHORTFALL
19 ANALYSES ARE TERRIBLY FLAWED. THEY SIMPLY ARE AT
20 VARIANCE WITH THE REALITY OF SEVERAL THINGS. FIRST,
21 REDUCTIONS IN SOLID WASTE FLOWS AND INCREASES IN
22 CAPACITY. THE SCENARIOS, AGAIN, ARE FLAWED AND SKEWED.

23 THERE WERE A COUPLE OF POINTS IN THE
24 COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT THAT I INVITE YOUR ATTENTION
25 TO. ONE IS AT -- IN THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT AT



1 9.1.2. IN DESCRIBING THE PURPOSE, THE COUNTYWIDE
2 SITING ELEMENT MAKES THE STATEMENT THAT IN-COUNTY
3 CAPACITY CAN BETTER GUARANTEE, BETTER GUARANTEE, THE
4 PROVISION OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES RELIABLY AND
5 ECONOMICALLY. WELL, TO REBUT THAT POINT, I POINT ONLY
6 TO THE OII LANDFILL, WHICH WAS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
7 AN IN-COUNTY LANDFILL THAT ACCEPTED ENORMOUS TONNAGE OF
8 SOLID WASTE FROM CITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND IS
9 NOW A \$500 MILLION FEDERAL SUPERFUND SITE. RELIABLE?
10 I THINK NOT.

11 THE LOCATION OF A POLITICAL BOUNDARY LINE
12 HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ECONOMICS AND RELIABILITY.
13 ECONOMICS AND RELIABILITY ARE A FUNCTION OF DISTANCE
14 AND HOW THE LANDFILL IS BUILT AND HOW IT'S OPERATED.

15 THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT WENT ON TO
16 SAY THAT, QUOTE, THE POTENTIAL DEPENDENCE OF
17 OUT-OF-COUNTY DISPOSAL MAY PRESENT SERIOUS HEALTH AND
18 SAFETY, AS WELL AS ECONOMIC RISKS TO JURISDICTIONS IN
19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THAT STATEMENT IS NEVER EXPLAINED.
20 NO STUDIES ARE PRESENTED TO SUPPORT THAT STATEMENT.
21 JUST WHAT DO THEY MEAN BY SERIOUS HEALTH AND SAFETY
22 RISKS? I SUGGEST THAT THIS CONDEMNS THE CEQA ANALYSIS
23 THAT'S IN THIS COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT TO FAILURE.
24 IT VIOLATES CEQA. IT MAKES ABSURD STATEMENTS LIKE THAT
25 WITHOUT ANY BASIS.



1 THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT AT -- IN
2 RESPONSE TO COMMENTS, CRITICAL COMMENTS, SAID
3 OUT-OF-COUNTY DISPOSAL, PARTICULARLY, BUT NOT LIMITED
4 TO, RAIL HAUL IS ALSO MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO
5 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FAILURES DUE TO NATURAL OR
6 MANMADE DISASTERS. WELL, WHAT DO THEY MEAN? I CAN
7 ONLY SUGGEST TO YOU THAT WHOEVER WROTE THAT STATEMENT
8 MUST HAVE SLEPT THROUGH THE NORTHRIDGE EARTHQUAKE
9 BECAUSE IT SURE DISRUPTED TRANSPORTATION IN LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY.

11 FINALLY, LET ME RETURN TO THE
12 UNCONSTITUTIONAL THEME. THE BIAS REPEATED THROUGHOUT
13 THE DOCUMENT IN FAVOR OF IN-COUNTY SITING VIOLATES THE
14 DORMANT COMMERCE CLAUSE OF THE CONSTITUTION. THE
15 SUPREME COURT SAID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, "CONGRESS HAS
16 THE AUTHORITY TO REGULATE COMMERCE AMONG THE STATES."
17 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS DO NOT HAVE THAT AUTHORITY. AND TO
18 THE EXTENT THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TAKE ACTION THAT
19 INTERFERES WITH THE COMMERCE BETWEEN THE STATES AND
20 WITHIN STATES, IT'S NOT CONSTITUTIONAL. IT'S
21 UNCONSTITUTIONAL TO DO SO. TO THE EXTENT THAT THIS
22 COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT VIOLATES THAT CONSTITUTIONAL
23 PRINCIPLE, IT'S FATALY FLAWED, AND, I SUBMIT, SHOULD
24 NOT BE APPROVED.

25 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I WOULD BE



1 PLEASED, IN THE WORDS OF FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE
2 JAMES BAKER, TO TRY TO ANSWER THEM.

3 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: MR. FRAZEE.

4 MEMBER FRAZEE: NO.

5 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. I HAVE NO QUESTIONS
6 FOR YOU, BUT I WANTED TO ASK OUR COUNSEL TO ADDRESS THE
7 QUESTION OF CEQA COMPLIANCE AND WHETHER -- AND WHAT
8 PROCESS WE USE TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT A SITING
9 ELEMENT HAS SUFFICIENTLY COMPLIED WITH CEQA.

10 MR. BLOCK: AND I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS BOTH
11 THAT ISSUE AND THE FLOW CONTROL ISSUE, BUT I WANT TO --
12 OBVIOUSLY IT'S THE COMMITTEE'S OPTION WHETHER YOU
13 WANTED TO GIVE SOMEBODY FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
14 AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES RAISED.

15 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. HOLD ALL THOSE
16 QUESTIONS, THEN, WHEN WE RETURN TO THE COMMITTEE'S
17 DISCUSSION. THAT'S FINE.

18 MR. YOUNG: MR. CHAIR, MAY I MAKE ONE FINAL
19 STATEMENT. LET ME SUGGEST THAT IN VIEW OF THE
20 COMPLEXITY OF BOTH THE INTERNAL CEQA ANALYSIS, AND
21 AGAIN, WE'RE NOT QUARRELING WITH THE PROCESS BY WHICH
22 THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT ITSELF WAS ADOPTED, WE'RE
23 NOT QUARRELING WITH THAT CEQA ASPECT, ONLY THE INTERNAL
24 CEQA ISSUES, THAT YOU MAY WANT TO CONSIDER DELAYING
25 ACTION ON THIS MATTER, REFERRING IT BACK TO STAFF, AND



1 HAVING IT BROUGHT BACK AT A LATER MEETING.

2 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M
3 GOING TO CALL A VERY BRIEF BREAK HERE. AND THEN I'M
4 GOING TO CALL ON JOSEPH CHESTER, REPRESENTING WALT
5 DISNEY COMPANY.

6 (RECESS TAKEN.)

7 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. WE'RE BACK IN
8 SESSION, AND I'M GOING TO CALL ON MR. CHESTER
9 REPRESENTING THE DISNEY COMPANY WITH THAT FAMOUS
10 ADDRESS ON BUENA VISTA STREET.

11 MR. CHESLER: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. THANK
12 YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MR. FRAZEE. MY NAME IS JOE CHESLER,
13 AND I'LL SPELL IT IF YOU WISH. I'M ENVIRONMENTAL
14 COMPLIANCE MANAGER WITH THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY IN
15 BURBANK, AND WE APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THIS CONTINUED
16 OPPORTUNITY TO CLARIFY SOME OF THE IMPORTANT ISSUES
17 AFFECTING THE FUTURE OF OUR INDUSTRY IN SOUTHERN
18 CALIFORNIA.

19 I THINK YOU WILL SUBMIT THAT LANDFILLS
20 AND FILM MAKING MAKE ODD MARRIAGES, BUT WE FIND
21 OURSELVES IN A SITUATION WHERE WE ARE COMPELLED TO
22 BRING A FEW FACTS TO YOUR ATTENTION, SOME OF WHICH HAVE
23 ALREADY BEEN ADDRESSED, OF COURSE. AT YOUR MEETING IN
24 PASADENA LAST YEAR, WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR
25 INTEREST AND WOULD RECALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE MONITOR



1 ABOUT OUR GOLDEN OAK RANCH AND ITS MERITS.

2 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BY RETAINING
3 ELSMERE CANYON ON ITS LIST OF FUTURE LANDFILL SITES IN
4 THE COUNTYWIDE SITING ELEMENT PLACES AN UNNECESSARY
5 BURDEN UPON ONE OF OUR STRONGEST SEGMENTS OF OUR
6 ECONOMY, FILM AND TELEVISION PRODUCTION INDUSTRY.

7 DISNEY'S GOLDEN OAK RANCH STANDS TO BE
8 SEVERELY AFFECTED IF AND WHEN ELSMERE IS DEVELOPED AS A
9 LANDFILL, CAUSING A SIGNIFICANT DIMINUTION IN ITS VALUE
10 AS AN OUTDOOR FILM AND TELEVISION PRODUCTION VENUE FOR
11 THE ENTIRE INDUSTRY, NOT JUST DISNEY.

12 THIS, OF COURSE, MY PRESENTATION TODAY IS
13 TO OUTLINE THAT WE FEEL THAT THERE ARE TANGIBLE
14 ECONOMIC DISINCENTIVES TO RETAINING ELSMERE IN THE
15 SITING ELEMENT. WALT DISNEY COMPANY SUPPORTS THE
16 POSITION PRESENTED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, THAT
17 RETAINING ELSMERE ON THE LIST IS UNNECESSARY AND
18 INAPPROPRIATE.

19 YOUR COMMITTEE AND THE WASTE BOARD AS A
20 WHOLE NOW HAVE A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO SEND THE COUNTY
21 AND, INDEED, THE ENTIRE WASTE INDUSTRY A CLEAR MESSAGE
22 THAT THEY NEED TO SERIOUSLY LOOK BEYOND TRADITIONAL
23 MEANS AND BEYOND THEIR POLITICAL BOUNDARIES TO MEET THE
24 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF AB 939. WE JOIN WITH OTHER
25 CONCERNED CORPORATE CITIZENS IN URGING YOU TO CLARIFY



1 THE LEGISLATURE'S INTENT BY ENFORCING THE TRUE VISION
2 BEHIND THE STATE'S WASTE MANAGEMENT HIERARCHY.

3 LANDFILLS ARE A MEANS OF LAST RESORT AND
4 SHOULD NOT BE SITED ONLY -- AND SHOULD BE SITED ONLY IN
5 AREAS OF COMPATIBLE LAND USE AND ONLY WHEN OTHER
6 ALTERNATIVES TO WASTE DIVERSION PROVE INFEASIBLE.

7 THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE'RE AVAILABLE FOR
8 QUESTIONS.

9 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: ANY QUESTIONS? OKAY.
10 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

11 I SHOULD NOTE THAT THE LETTER FROM LASER
12 DID ASK US TO DELAY THE ITEM. I'M JUST PUTTING THAT ON
13 THE RECORD JUST SO THAT WE KNOW WHAT THE POSITION WAS
14 THAT THEY WERE EXPRESSING. AND THE E-MAIL FROM THE --
15 OF DARLA HOBECK OF THE SAVE THE ANGELES FOUNDATION WAS
16 A REQUEST THAT WE NOT APPROVE THE SITING ELEMENT. SO
17 JUST WANTED TO NOTE THE CONTENT OF THOSE.

18 THAT COMPLETES ALL THE REQUESTS FOR
19 TESTIMONY. WE DID HAVE A REQUEST FROM MR. MOHAJER TO
20 SUMMARIZE AND RESPOND. WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO THAT, MR.
21 MOHAJER?

22 MR. MOHAJER: MR. CHAIR, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO
23 INDICATE THAT, AS I SAID EARLIER, WE HAD A REVIEW AND
24 COMMENT PERIOD OVER 210 DAYS. WE HAVE GONE OVER ALL
25 THE ISSUES, AND WE, MYSELF SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE



1 COUNTY, WE DON'T AGREE WITH THE STATEMENT THAT WAS MADE
2 OR WERE MADE. THANK YOU.

3 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: ARE THERE FURTHER
4 QUESTIONS?

5 MEMBER FRAZEE: I WAS INTERESTED IN A
6 STATEMENT THAT WAS MADE BY ONE OF THE OTHER PRESENTERS,
7 THAT INACTION CONSTITUTES APPROVAL, AND, IN FACT, THAT
8 THE MAJORITY OF THE CITIES DID NOT APPROVE THIS, BUT
9 JUST FAILED TO ACT ON IT. IS THAT AN ACCURATE
10 STATEMENT?

11 MR. MOHAJER: THAT IS CORRECT, MR. FRAZEE.
12 THE STATEMENT IS INCORRECT. THE STATE LAW VERY
13 SPECIFICALLY INDICATES THAT ALL THE CITIES, EACH CITY
14 HAS 90 DAYS TO TAKE ACTION. AND FAILURE TO TAKE ACTION
15 OR DECISION NOT TO TAKE ACTION IS CONSIDERED TO BE
16 APPROVAL. THIS LANGUAGE IS VERY, VERY CLEAR IN THE
17 STATE LAW. IT IS VERY CLEAR IN THE LETTERS THAT WE
18 SUBMITTED TO ALL CITIES.

19 AS A MATTER OF FACT, AS A PROCESS, WHEN
20 SUBMITTED FINAL DRAFT OF THE DOCUMENTS IN MID-JULY OR
21 EARLY JULY IN 1997 TO THE CITIES, THERE'S A COVER
22 LETTER THAT IS SEVERAL PAGES LONG, AND THE COVER LETTER
23 ALSO INCLUDES RESOLUTION APPROVAL AS WELL, AND IT
24 CLEARLY EXPLAIN WHAT THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE LACK OF
25 ACTION WOULD BE; I.E., TACIT APPROVAL.



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MEMBER FRAZEE: OKAY. THANK YOU.

CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: AND YOU DIDN'T HAVE ANY SPECIFIC REBUTTAL OR RESPONSE IN RELATION TO THE CEQA ALLEGATIONS, THE ALLEGED INADEQUACY OF THE CEQA?

MR. MOHAJER: NO. ONLY THING I'D LIKE TO SAY, MR. CHESBRO, THAT THERE HAS BEEN NOTHING THAT WE HAVEN'T HEARD BEFORE. WE HAD A REVIEW PERIOD AND DRAFT EIR FOR OVER 210 DAYS. SO IT WASN'T A MATTER OF HAVING 45 OR 45, AND ALL THAT APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS WERE REVIEWED BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL. THEY WERE ALL RESPONDED. AND A FINAL DRAFT EIR WAS PREPARED. THE DOCUMENT WAS CERTIFIED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FILED WITH THE STATE CLEARINGHOUSE, FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK. AND THAT'S ALL I CAN SAY.

MEMBER FRAZEE: DID THAT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT DISCUSS THE ALTERNATIVES AT ELSMERE, THE FULL-SCALE THAT REQUIRED THE USE OF FOREST SERVICE VERSUS THE SCALED-DOWN VERSION?

MR. MOHAJER: MR. FRAZEE, YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT IT. THIS IS A SITING ELEMENT. THIS IS WHAT THE PROJECT IS. WE ARE VERY CLEAR. WE ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS FOR EVERY OR ANY PROPOSED FACILITY. WE ARE VERY CLEAR THAT SHOULD ANY FACILITY THAT IDENTIFIED IN THE DOCUMENT FOR EXPANSION OR POTENTIAL NEW SITE, THEY HAVE TO GO



1 THROUGH THEIR OWN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT. THEY HAVE TO
2 GO THROUGH TO GET THEIR OWN LAND USE PERMIT, ALL THE
3 OTHER PERMITS AFTER THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT IS
4 APPROVED OR CERTIFIED, DEPENDING WHAT IT IS, BUT LEAD
5 AGENCY AND GO FROM THERE. THAT'S ALL I LIKE TO SAY,
6 NOT BEING THE LEGAL COUNSEL, AND LEAVE IT AT THAT.

7 MR. BLOCK: ACTUALLY, BEFORE I ACTUALLY
8 RESPOND, A QUESTION OR TWO FOR MR. MOHAJER. THE EIR
9 WAS CERTIFIED IN 1997?

10 MR. MOHAJER: THE EIR WAS CERTIFIED IN JUNE
11 24, 1997.

12 MR. BLOCK: AND IS THERE ANY PENDING LAWSUIT?

13 MR. MOHAJER: ABSOLUTELY NOTHING. THAT'S WHY
14 I WENT FURTHER AND SAID IT WAS FILED WITH THE STATE
15 CLEARINGHOUSE, IT WAS FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK AFTER
16 IT WAS CERTIFIED. AND SAME APPLIES TO THE NEGATIVE DEC
17 FOR THE SUMMARY PLAN.

18 MR. BLOCK: WELL, I APOLOGIZE FOR BEING FAIRLY
19 BRIEF AND HAVING OVERHEADS SINCE THIS ISSUE JUST REALLY
20 CAME UP BEFORE ME. I WAS HANDED MR. YOUNG'S LETTER BY
21 MR. YOUNG SHORTLY BEFORE THE MEETING THIS MORNING. BUT
22 BRIEFLY, ON THE CEQA ISSUE FIRST, AS HAS JUST BEEN
23 INDICATED, THIS DOCUMENT WAS CERTIFIED, THE STATUTE OF
24 LIMITATIONS HAS RUN, AND AS A RESPONSIBLE AGENCY, THE
25 BOARD IS REQUIRED TO RELY ON THAT DOCUMENT IN MAKING



1 ITS DECISION. THERE'S BEEN NO INFORMATION PROVIDED IN
2 WRITING OR ORALLY HERE TODAY THAT INDICATES, IN FACT,
3 THE SUGGESTION HASN'T EVEN BEEN MADE THAT THE BOARD
4 TAKE OVER AS LEAD AGENCY. AND SO, THEREFORE, WHILE THE
5 CITY MAY HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT HOW CEQA WAS OR
6 WASN'T DONE, THERE'S NO BASIS FOR THE BOARD TO DO
7 ANYTHING ABOUT THAT HERE TODAY.

8 THE OTHER POINT I WAS GOING TO MAKE ON
9 CEQA, ACTUALLY MR. MOHAJER ALSO MADE, THERE'S NO
10 QUESTION THAT THERE WILL HAVE TO BE CEQA DONE IF THIS
11 OR ANY OTHER FACILITY COMES FORWARD FOR AN EXPANSION OR
12 FOR -- AS A NEW FACILITY. THERE WILL HAVE TO BE CEQA
13 AND, PRESUMABLY, AN EIR FOR A LANDFILL DONE AT THAT
14 POINT IN TIME.

15 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: THAT'S THE SPECIFIED LEGAL
16 AND APPROPRIATE PROCEDURAL WAY TO ADDRESS THE IMPACTS
17 OF AN INDIVIDUAL LANDFILL?

18 MR. BLOCK: RIGHT. AND THERE IS CASE LAW
19 THAT WAS ACTUALLY NOT DEALING WITH SITING ELEMENTS. IT
20 WAS DEALING WITH HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT
21 PLAN WHERE THERE ARE SITES BEING PICKED. IT
22 SPECIFICALLY ALLOWS FOR THAT SPLIT, IF YOU WILL, CEQA
23 DONE ON SORT OF THE BROADER PICKING SITES AND THEN FOR
24 ADDITIONAL CEQA TO BE DONE ON INDIVIDUAL SITES AS THEY
25 GET PICKED WHEN THE MORE SPECIFIC DETAILS OF THAT SITE



1 ARE KNOWN. I CAN'T, OF COURSE, TODAY RESPOND
2 SPECIFICALLY TO WHAT THINGS MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE BEEN
3 DONE BETTER PERHAPS IN THAT CEQA DOCUMENT, BUT THE
4 BOARD'S HANDS, IF YOU WILL, ARE TIED AS A RESPONSIBLE
5 AGENCY.

6 THAT DOCUMENT WAS DONE, IT WAS CERTIFIED,
7 THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IS GONE, SO WHETHER THAT
8 DOCUMENT COULD HAVE BEEN A LITTLE BIT BETTER IS NOT
9 REALLY SOMETHING THAT'S GERMANE TO THE BOARD'S DECISION
10 TODAY. AGAIN, THOUGH, THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT SOME OF
11 THOSE ISSUES, I'M SURE, WILL COME UP IF AND WHEN THIS
12 FACILITY COMES FORWARD AND HAS TO COMPLY WITH CEQA AT
13 THAT POINT IN TIME.

14 IN TERMS OF THE DORMANT COMMERCE CLAUSE
15 ISSUES, WHICH REALLY WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS FLOW
16 CONTROL, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, I DO HAVE TO DISAGREE
17 WITH MR. YOUNG ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT VIOLATING THAT LINE
18 OF CASES AND SPECIFICALLY CARBON. THOSE CASES INVOLVE
19 A SITUATION WHERE, IN THE CASE OF CLARKSTOWN, IT WAS A
20 CITY, BUT ALSO IT WOULD APPLY TO STATE GOVERNMENTS,
21 WHERE THOSE MUNICIPALITIES ARE REQUIRING WASTE BY LOCAL
22 ORDINANCE OR OTHERWISE UNDER COLOR OF LAW TO GO TO A
23 SPECIFIC FACILITY.

24 THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS SITING ELEMENT
25 THAT WILL REQUIRE WASTE TO GO TO THAT ELSMERE CANYON



1 FACILITY IF IT IS EVER BUILT. IT WILL BE SUBJECT TO
2 ALL THE USUAL ISSUES THAT COME UP WITH FRANCHISE
3 AGREEMENTS AND WHERE WASTE GETS TAKEN AND THE LIKE.
4 THERE'S NOTHING IN THAT DOCUMENT, WHETHER THAT FACILITY
5 GETS BUILT OR NOT, THAT WOULD PROHIBIT WASTE FROM GOING
6 TO OTHER FACILITIES AT THE CHOICE OF WHOEVER'S HAULING
7 THAT WASTE.

8 SO WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, I DON'T SEE HOW
9 THIS SITING ELEMENT FALLS ANYWHERE NEAR THE CARBON CASE
10 OR THE SIMILAR CASES, AND IN FACT SINCE CARBON, THERE
11 ARE A LARGE NUMBER OF CIRCUIT COURT CASES, PRIMARILY
12 FROM BACK EAST, WHICH THE SUPREME COURT HAS REFUSED TO
13 HEAR AND HAS LET STAND WHERE THEY'VE ACTUALLY ALLOWED
14 WHAT I THINK IS COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS CONTRACTUAL
15 FLOW CONTROL AS LONG AS CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET, AND
16 THEY'RE ACTUALLY ALLOWING JURISDICTIONS TO REALLY
17 CONTROL THE FLOW OF WASTE AS LONG AS THEY DO IT THROUGH
18 A FREE AND OPEN BIDDING PROCESS WITH CONTRACTS WITH
19 HAULERS.

20 SO, YOU KNOW, IN CONCLUSION, I DON'T
21 BELIEVE THAT THERE'S ANYTHING IN THIS DOCUMENT --
22 CERTAINLY THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS DOCUMENT THAT WOULD
23 CLEARLY VIOLATE THE DORMANT COMMERCE CLAUSE. I
24 SUPPOSE, AS HE HAS DONE, MR. YOUNG CAN CERTAINLY MAKE
25 THAT ARGUMENT, BUT I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE AN EXTENSION



1 OF LAW THAT'S NOT THE CURRENT STATE OF THE LAW.

2 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. MR. FRAZEE. YOU
3 HAVE COMMENTS?

4 MEMBER FRAZEE: WELL, THIS IS ONE OF THOSE
5 DIFFICULT ISSUES WE SO OFTEN FACE, AND THAT'S PART OF
6 THE JOB. THIS SAME SCENARIO WOULD PLAY ITSELF OUT WITH
7 ANY NUMBER OF SITES ON ANY NUMBER OF SITING ELEMENTS
8 THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. IT JUST HAPPENS
9 THAT THIS ONE IN THE COMMUNITY OF SANTA CLARITA HAPPENS
10 TO BE A PARTICULARLY SORE POINT WITH THEM, AND I
11 APPRECIATE THAT VERY MUCH. BUT EVERY SITE FOR A
12 LANDFILL OR ANY KIND OF A WASTE FACILITY HAS ITS
13 NEGATIVES, ITS DOWNSIDE. WE'RE FACING THAT IN MY OWN
14 COMMUNITIES IN NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY WITH THE SITING
15 OF A TRANSFER STATION.

16 THAT'S -- THOSE KINDS OF DECISIONS ARE
17 LEFT TO LOCAL CITIZENS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO DECIDE
18 AND DO NOT FALL WITHIN THE SCOPE OR THE JURISDICTION OF
19 THIS BOARD, IN MY VIEW. WE CAN ONLY TAKE WHAT IS
20 RECOMMENDED TO US. AND IF THAT, IN OUR WISDOM AND OUR
21 RECOMMENDATIONS OF OUR COUNSEL COMPLY WITH STATUTE,
22 THEN WE HAVE LITTLE CHOICE BUT TO APPROVE THEM, WHETHER
23 WE LIKE THAT OUTCOME OR NOT.

24 SO, AGAIN, MY PRIVATE VIEW WOULD BE THAT
25 IF I WERE A CITIZEN OF SANTA CLARITA, I WOULD HOPE THAT



1 ELSMERE CANYON WERE NEVER USED AS A WASTE FACILITY; BUT
2 ALL OTHER THINGS CONSIDERED, I SEE NO OPTION BUT FOR US
3 TO APPROVE THE SITING ELEMENT. IN FACT, I WOULD MOVE
4 THAT WE ADOPT RESOLUTION 98-190 AND DO THAT.

5 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: OKAY. AND THAT WOULD
6 FORWARD IT TO THE BOARD'S AGENDA LATER THIS MONTH, AND
7 I PRESUME NOT TO CONSENT CALENDAR SINCE THERE'S
8 INTERESTED PARTIES.

9 BEFORE I INDICATE MY WILLINGNESS TO
10 SECOND THE MOTION, I'D LIKE TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS
11 MYSELF. I HAVE SPENT MOST OF MY LIFE IN TWO
12 COMMUNITIES, ONE AT ONE END OF THE STATE, ONE AT THE
13 OTHER, AND BOTH THOSE COMMUNITIES HAVE ENGAGED IN
14 MINORITY BATTLES, IF YOU WILL, AGAINST THE LARGER
15 REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS. ONE OF
16 THEM IS WHERE I WENT TO HIGH SCHOOL IN SOUTHERN
17 CALIFORNIA, SOUTH PASADENA, WHICH EVERYONE HERE FROM
18 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA KNOWS WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. AND
19 THAT'S GONE ON FOR 25 YEARS, I THINK PROBABLY MORE.

20 THE COMMUNITY I REPRESENTED IN LOCAL
21 GOVERNMENT FOR 16 YEARS SIMILARLY HAD STRUGGLES WITH
22 THE LARGER REGIONAL ON SEWAGE TREATMENT, ON
23 TRANSPORTATION, ON NUMEROUS ISSUES, THE LARGER REGIONAL
24 POINT OF VIEW THAT SOMETIMES WAS IN CONFLICT WITH OUR
25 INTEREST AS A COMMUNITY. AND SO I'M ALSO VERY



1 SYMPATHETIC TO THAT POSITION.

2 ON THE OTHER HAND, I'M SITTING UP HERE ON
3 THIS STATE BOARD AS A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADVOCATE. AND
4 AS COMPLEX AND HUGE AS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S LOCAL
5 GOVERNMENT APPARATUS IS, IT IS STILL LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
6 AND THERE'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES
7 WHETHER I WIND UP DECIDING THAT I LIKE WHAT THAT
8 PROCESS DECIDES OR NOT. THAT IS NOT MY JOB HERE AS A
9 MEMBER OF THE STATE WASTE BOARD. MY JOB IN THIS
10 PARTICULAR CASE IS TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE
11 SITING ELEMENT COMPLIES WITH STATUTE.

12 AND I THINK THAT WE HAVE -- ALL THE
13 INFORMATION THAT'S BEEN PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY AND BY
14 BOARD STAFF INDICATE THAT IT DOES COMPLY WITH STATUTE
15 AND HAVE NOT BEEN PRESENTED WITH COMPELLING EVIDENCE
16 THAT THE ELEMENT DOES NOT MEET EITHER THE SITING
17 CRITERIA PROVIDED FOR IN THE PLAN OR THE STATE -- ANY
18 STATUTORY OR REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE.

19 WITH REGARDS TO THE ISSUE OF WHETHER OR
20 NOT L.A. COUNTY IS SUFFICIENTLY IMPLEMENTING AB 939,
21 WHICH WAS RAISED IN SEVERAL OF THESE LETTERS AND SOME
22 OF THE TESTIMONY TODAY IN TERMS OF THE HIERARCHY AND
23 WHETHER OR NOT DIVERSION IS BEING ADEQUATELY PLANNED
24 FOR, THE LAW PROVIDES FOR OTHER PLANNING DOCUMENTS
25 WHICH GO INTO THE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN



1 WHICH ARE TO COVER THOSE. THE -- AND THEY'VE BEEN
2 MENTIONED, BUT THE MOST OBVIOUS ONE IS THE SOURCE
3 REDUCTION AND RECYCLING ELEMENTS OF EACH OF THE
4 INDIVIDUAL JURISDICTIONS WITHIN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,
5 AND THE VAST MAJORITY OF THOSE HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED AND
6 APPROVED AND ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING IMPLEMENTED.

7 SO I DON'T THINK THAT THE ABSENCE OF
8 THOSE ISSUES BEING ADDRESSED IN THE SITING ELEMENT
9 MEANS THAT THEY'RE NOT BEING ADDRESSED. THEY ARE BEING
10 ADDRESSED.

11 FINALLY, THIS DOESN'T -- INCLUSION IN THE
12 SITING ELEMENT DOESN'T PREJUDGE IN ANY WAY WHETHER OR
13 NOT THIS LANDFILL WILL MEET THE STANDARDS TO BE
14 APPROVED BY THIS BOARD AT SOME FUTURE DATE IF IT IS
15 PURSUED. IT IS AN IDENTIFICATION OF A SITE, AND I
16 THINK THIS TIES INTO THE CEQA ARGUMENT TOO, THAT SINCE
17 THIS IS NOT THE DECISION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT A SITE'S
18 GOING TO BE BUILT, THERE IS NO CEQA -- THE DETAILED
19 CEQA ANALYSIS THAT WOULD BE NECESSARY IN DETERMINING
20 WHETHER OR NOT IT MEETS ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH AND
21 SAFETY STANDARDS.

22 AND SO I'M NOT PREJUDICING MY DECISION
23 ABOUT A FUTURE LANDFILL VOTE BY THIS BOARD IN ANY WAY
24 IN SECONDING A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SITING ELEMENT.
25 IT IS A BROAD, GENERAL PLANNING DOCUMENT THAT IS



1 INTENDED TO REQUIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PROVIDE AT
2 LEAST 15 YEARS CAPACITY. I THINK L.A. COUNTY HAS
3 PROBABLY GONE FURTHER IN TERMS OF ITS MULTIPLE
4 SCENARIOS THAN MOST LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, MOST COUNTIES
5 IN THE STATE HAVE DONE. AND -- BUT I DON'T THINK IT
6 EITHER REQUIRES OR PRECLUDES ANY OF THE OPTIONS. AND
7 THAT'S ANOTHER REASON WHY I'M NOT CONCERNED ABOUT THIS
8 CARBON FLOW CONTROL ARGUMENT IS THAT IT DOESN'T LOCK
9 ANYTHING IN. IT DOESN'T REQUIRE ANYBODY TO DO
10 ANYTHING. IT SIMPLY RESERVES AND IDENTIFIES POTENTIAL
11 SITES WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT TURN OUT TO BE GOOD SITES
12 FOR LANDFILLS.

13 I'LL SECOND THE MOTION, AND WE'LL
14 SUBSTITUTE THE PRIOR ROLL, AND MOTION CARRIES TWO
15 ZERO. AND THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR INPUT.

16 MEMBER FRAZEE: AND ALSO, WE HAVE RESOLUTION
17 ON THE -- I WOULD MOVE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 98-191,
18 AND THIS IS ONE THAT DEALS WITH THE COUNTYWIDE SUMMARY
19 PLAN FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

20 CHAIRMAN CHESBRO: WHICH INDIRECTLY DOES
21 ADDRESS OTHER PARTS OF THE HIERARCHY RELATIVE TO WASTE
22 DIVERSION, SO, IN FACT, IN TODAY'S ACTION WE ARE
23 CONSIDERING DIFFERENT ELEMENTS OF THE COMPLETE
24 INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROCESS IN THE
25 HIERARCHY. I WILL SECOND IT, AND WE WILL SUBSTITUTE



1 THE PRIOR ROLL CALL. I THINK THAT COULD BE PLACED ON
2 CONSENT UNLESS WE HAVE A REQUEST OTHERWISE. WE WILL
3 PLACE IT ON THE BOARD'S CONSENT AGENDA FOR LATER THIS
4 MONTH.

5 AND I DO BELIEVE THAT COMPLETES THE
6 ACTION ITEMS THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US TODAY. IF THERE'S
7 NO ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION, WE WILL ADJOURN.

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9 (THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED AT 11:32
10 A.M.)



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