



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
(805) 568-2240

Department Name: Public Works  
Department No.: 054  
For Agenda Of: March 20, 2007  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

---

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Phillip M. Demery, Public Works Director, 568-3010  
Director(s)  
Contact Info: Michael B. Emmons, Deputy Director, County Surveyors Division,  
568-3020

**SUBJECT:** GPS Sites at Tajiguas Landfill and Point Sal  
3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial Districts

---

**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

Authorize the Chair of the Board to:

- (a) Adopt the attached Notice of Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the granting of a "Revocable License for GPS Site at Tajiguas Landfill".
- (b) Approve and execute the attached "Revocable License for GPS Site at Tajiguas Landfill" between the County of Santa Barbara and UNAVCO, Inc.
- (c) Adopt the attached Notice of Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the granting of a "Revocable License for GPS Site at Point Sal".
- (d) Approve and execute the attached "Revocable License for GPS Site at Point Sal" between the County of Santa Barbara and UNAVCO, Inc.

**Summary Text:**

On July 18, 2000, the Board of Supervisors approved and executed a Revocable License for a GPS site at the Tajiguas Landfill between the County of Santa Barbara and the United States Geological Survey (USGS) Earthquake Hazards Team for a period of 5 years.

The purpose of the license agreement was for the installation, operation, and maintenance of a GPS site which would provide scientific and survey data to the County and the public for various uses, including earth movement, disaster response to earthquakes, and control surveying for various County projects.

That license agreement has subsequently expired. In addition, UNAVCO, Inc. has taken over management of the GPS site and the network for the USGS.

The first of the attached license agreements would renew the right to maintain the site for a period of 5 years, and provide for automatic one (1) year renewals of the license. However, the County will retain the right to terminate the license upon thirty (30) days for any reason.

The Public Works Solid Waste Division has reviewed the request for the renewal of the license agreement for the GPS site at the Tajiguas Landfill and is agreeable to renewing the license.

The second of the two license agreements is for a new GPS site on property the County owns at Point Sal. UNAVCO is responsible for arranging for access across adjoining properties not owned by the County. The initial installation of the GPS site will be accomplished by helicopter. Subsequent maintenance visits shall be either by foot, ATV, or helicopter.

The County Parks Department has reviewed the request for the license agreement and agreed to grant the license agreement. Should the County in the future desire to have the GPS site removed from the property, the County may terminate the agreement upon thirty (30) days notice.

The GPS sites are unobtrusive and consist of a single GPS antenna approximately five feet (5') tall with a solar panel, similar to call box and solar panel on state highways. A visual depiction of a typical site is attached hereto.

**Background:**

See above.

**Performance Measure:**

N/A

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

None.

**Fiscal Analysis:**

Narrative: There is no monetary consideration in exchange for the grant of the license. Instead, UNAVCO will provide the County with access to data gathered by the subject GPS site and others in its network, and to products created by researchers affiliated with the network.

**Staffing Impacts:**

**Legal Positions:**

N/A

**FTEs:**

N/A

**Special Instructions:**

After Board action, distribute as follows:

1. Original License Agreements Clerk of Board Files

Subject: GPS Sites at Tajiguas Landfill and Point Sal  
3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial Districts  
Agenda Date: March 20, 2007  
Page 3 of 3

- |    |                                |  |
|----|--------------------------------|--|
| 2. | Copies of License Agreements   | Surveyor's Division, Attn: Harrison Heyl |
| 3. | Original Notices of Exemption  | Clerk of Board Files                     |
| 4. | Copies of Notices of Exemption | Surveyor's Division, Attn: Harrison Heyl |
| 5. | Minute Order                   | Surveyor's Division, Attn: Harrison Heyl |

The Real Property Section of the Surveyor's Division will deliver copies of the Revocable License Agreements to UNAVCO, Inc., and will keep copies in its files as well.

**Attachments:**

- (a) Visual Depiction of typical GPS site.
- (b) Notice of Exemption for the "Revocable License for GPS Site at Tajiguas Landfill".
- (c) "Revocable License for GPS Site at Tajiguas Landfill"
- (d) Notice of Exemption for the "Revocable License for GPS Site at Point Sal".
- (e) "Revocable License for GPS Site at Point Sal" between the County of Santa Barbara and UNAVCO, Inc.

**Authored by:**

Harrison Heyl, Public Works Department, Surveyor's Division, Real Property Section, 568-3072

**cc:**

Mark Schleich, Resource Recovery and Waste Management  
Mark Tautrim, Resource Recovery and Waste Management  
Jeff Stone, Parks Department  
Coleen Lund, Parks Department