



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054
Agenda Date: June 9, 2026
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s): Chris Sneddon, P.E., Public Works Director
Contact Info: Jeanette Gonzales-Knight, P.E., Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Authority to Advertise for Tajiguas Sanitary Landfill Main Access Road Extension and Site Improvements Fiscal Year 2026-2027; Third Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Authorize the Director of Public Works, or designee, to advertise and receive bids for the construction of the Tajiguas Sanitary Landfill Main Access Road Extension and Site Improvements Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Project; and
- b) Determine that the above-recommended actions are not a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5), finding that the action consists of administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to authorize the Public Works Director to advertise and receive bids for the construction of the Tajiguas Sanitary Landfill Main Access Road Extension and Site Improvements Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Project. The proposed project is located at 14470 Calle Real, Goleta, CA 93117. The project includes repaving portions of the existing access road and extending the main access road as well as constructing a new wet weather turnaround to support ongoing waste disposal in the permitted landfill disposal footprint.

Discussion:

The contractor will be selected through a competitive bidding process to perform grading and to construct pavement and associated site improvements for the access road. Final plans and specifications will be brought to your board for approval at a later date, along with a construction contract for your authorization. Construction is anticipated to begin in September 2026.

Background:

The Tajiguas Sanitary Landfill Main Access Road Extension and Site Improvements Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Project is part of the Tajiguas Landfill Expansion and Reconfiguration Project and is included in the Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division's Waste Discharge Requirements issued by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board on February 4, 2010, and the Revised Solid Waste Facility Permit as issued by CalRecycle on May 21, 2025.

On August 13, 2002, your Board certified an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (01-EIR-05) for, and approved, the Tajiguas Landfill Expansion Project (Front Canyon Expansion). An Addendum to 01-EIR-05 dated November 8, 2006, was accepted by the Board of Supervisors on December 5, 2006. In May 2009, the BOS certified a subsequent EIR (08EIR-00000-00007) for, and approved, the Tajiguas Landfill Reconfiguration and Baron Ranch Restoration Project (SCH No. 2008201052) (available for review at <https://www.countyofsb.org/1165/Environmental-Documents>). The proposed project includes the extension of paved access, a wet-weather turnaround and repaving portions of the main access road to the permitted waste disposal area analyzed as a part of the prior CEQA documents. No substantial changes are proposed or have occurred, and no new information of substantial importance has come to light regarding environmental effects of the project, or of the sufficiency or feasibility of mitigation measures. Therefore, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162, the Tajiguas Sanitary Landfill Main Access Road Extension and Site Improvements Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Project, is within the scope of the prior environmental documents prepared for the Tajiguas Landfill and no new environmental document is required.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The project costs are included in the RRWMD Enterprise Fund 1930 FY 26/27 Recommended in Line-Item Account 8200, Program 1200 and it is also included in the County of Santa Barbara 2026-2031 Five Year Capital Improvement Plan. There is no impact to the General Fund. Final plans and specifications will be brought to your board for approval at a later date, along with a construction contract for your authorization. Construction is anticipated to begin in September 2026.

Special Instructions:

Please forward a certified, stamped Minute Order approving this action to:

- Juliette Mudge, Public Works Department, Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division, AOP II at mudgej@countyofsb.org.

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