

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Jim Venable **SUBMITTAL DATE:** June 3, 2003

SUBJECT: Amendments #2 to Franchise Area 1 and #3 to Franchise Area 8 in recognition of Waste Management of the Inland Empire Inc.'s participation in the Riverside County response to the Idyllwild Bark Beetle infestation.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board of Supervisors approves the amended solid waste franchise agreements for Franchise Areas 1 (Attachment 1) and 8 (Attachment 2) as awarded to Waste Management of the Inland Empire, A Division of USA Waste of California Inc.

BACKGROUND:

On March 5, 2002, the Board adopted a declaration of a state of emergency due to the epidemic infestation of bark beetles in the Mountain Communities of Idyllwild and Pine Cove through Resolution Number 2002-97 (agenda item 3.42). This was renewed and revised on September 10, 2002 to include "severe drought and fire hazard."

Jim Venable

Jim Venable, Third District Supervisor

FINANCIAL DATA:

CURRENT YEAR COST:	\$	<u>0</u>	ANNUAL COST \$	<u>0</u>		
NET COUNTY COST:	\$	<u>0</u>	IN CURRENT YEAR BUDGET:	YES	NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SOURCE OF FUNDS:			BUDGET ADJUSTMENT:	YES	NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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BACKGROUND (continued):

A central element of the response to the fire hazard aspects of the emergency is the aggressive removal of the dead and damaged trees. To facilitate the removal the County, through the Department of Waste Management, is coordinating the placement of either an air curtain burner or a whole tree grinder with the U.S. Forest Service. The Forest Service proposes to operate this equipment to process the trees and slash from Service lands near the community of Idyllwild.

Waste Management Inc., as the operator of the Idyllwild Transfer station and Waste Collection Franchisee for the Idyllwild Community, has agreed to contribute \$50,000 towards the purchase or lease with other funding coming from the U.S. Forest Service and the Third District Developer agreement funds. In recognition of this invaluable assistance, I am recommending that the Board approve amendments to the Waste Collection Franchises located primarily in the Third District and held by Waste Management Inc. that would restrict the County from taking action to terminate those franchises for a period of three years. In the event the county does not initiate such action, these amendments will cease to have any impact to these Franchise Agreements.

Staff has reviewed the proposed amendments and has determined them to be consistent with the purpose and intent of the exclusive franchise agreement.

Financial:

This amendment to the Franchise will have no fiscal impact to the County. Franchise fees paid to the county are based upon revenue from the company's commercial collection activities only. The Franchisee pays no fees to the county from residential parcel charges.