

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

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**FROM:** Waste Management Department

**SUBMITTAL DATE:** April 20, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Introduction of County Ordinance 779.5

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Introduce and set for public hearing those changes set forth below and in Appendix A to County Ordinance 779.5 increasing the current fees for disposal of municipal solid waste received at scaled, gated sites for Fiscal Year 2004-05 by the Consumer Price Index percentage (CPI) and adjusting other charges to the pricing structure; and
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to publish a notice of the public hearing date of May 25, 2004 and the proposed Waste Management Department charges, as provided in Government Code Section 6066.

**BACKGROUND:** For more than ten years, the Waste Management Department (WMD) has not raised the disposal fee. Budgetary restraint and careful review of project costs combined with an even balance between the transfer station tonnage and direct haul tonnage has made a fee increase unnecessary. With the anticipated closing of the Edom Hill Landfill in November 2004 and the opening of the Edom Hill Transfer Station, the economic balance between transfer station and direct haul tonnage will change significantly. The approximately 50/50 balance of transfer station vs direct haul tonnage is projected to shift to a 72/28 balance with transfer station tonnage (which is currently charged \$7/ton less) reflecting the larger percentage.

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Hans W. Kernkamp,  
General Manager-Chief Engineer

**FINANCIAL DATA:**

**CURRENT YEAR COST:** \$ N/A

**NET COUNTY COST:** \$ N/A

**ANNUAL COST:** \$ N/A

**IN CURRENT YEAR BUDGET:** YES NO X

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENT:** YES NO X  
FOR FY: 2005

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** N/A

**COUNTY C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE**

Executive Officer Signature

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FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED  
 ROBERT E. BYRD, Auditor-Controller  
 Deputy  
 BY 5/17/2004  
 FORM APPROVED  
 COUNTY COUNSEL  
 APR 20 2004  
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Consent  
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Department Recommendation:  
 Per Executive Office:

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
 OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
 EXECUTIVE

BACKGROUND (Cont'd):

During the preceding decade, WMD costs have increased along with the inflation factors in the area. Additionally, the rate the County pays Waste Management Inc. for disposal of County waste at El Sobrante landfill has contractually increased by a CPI factor annually.

WMD is limited to annual CPI increases for all its contracted transfer station haulers. The Department is recommending the same CPI increase for direct haul tonnage. The CPI increase based on the 12 month period ending December 31, 2003 is 1.8% or \$0.41 and \$0.54 a ton. The rates would then become \$23.41 for transfer trucks (\$23.92 for Area 8 transfer trucks) and \$30.54 for direct haul vehicles. Charges for specialty and hard to handle disposals are calculated separately.

The Department recommends that minimum load fees be adjusted to be consistent with the lowest rates charged at the transfer stations in the County. However, the Department also recommends an increase in the allowable weight of a minimum load from 600 pounds (.3/ton) to 800 pounds (.4/ton) so that more County citizens can take advantage of the minimum load discounted rate. Finally, in an effort to curtail illegal dumping in the County, the Department is recommending the elimination of the \$10 appliance surcharge and the allowance of the minimum routine refuse rate to include appliances.

Attachment 1 has been provided to outline the recommended changes to the WMD fee structure.

**Summary of Changes to Disposal Rates  
Effective July 1, 2004**

**CPI Increases of 1.8%**

	<u>Fiscal Year 04</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 05</u>
• Routine Refuse	\$30.00/ton	\$30.54/ton
• Hard-to-handle Waste	\$40.00/ton	\$40.72/ton
• Loads of more than 9 tires	\$84.50/ton	\$86.03/ton

**Minimum Load Increases**

• Increase allowable weight	.3 ton	.4 ton
• Routine Refuse	\$5.00/load	\$8.00/load
• Green Waste	\$8.00/load	\$11.00/load

**Deletions**

- Delete \$10.00 appliance surcharge to minimize illegal dumping
- Delete reduced rate for concrete and asphalt. Charge as routine refuse. Department no longer has a use for this material and it must be landfilled.

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ORDINANCE NO. 779.5  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
RELATING TO  
COUNTY SOLID WASTE FACILITIES  
AND ESTABLISHING FEES

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, ordains as follows:

Section 1

Ordinance 779 is amended by replacing current Appendix A with revised Appendix A as attached.

Section 2

This Ordinance shall become effective 30 days after adoption.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY  
OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

NANCY ROMERO  
Clerk of the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_  
(Deputy)

(SEAL)

**APPENDIX "A" TO RIVERSIDE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 779.5  
SCHEDULE OF WASTE DISPOSAL FEES  
FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY WASTE, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004**

The following gate fees will be applicable at El Sobrante, Badlands, Edom Hill, Lamb Canyon, and Blythe Landfills	
WASTE GROUP DESCRIPTIONS	RATE
1. Any vehicle hauling 2 or less large trash bags	No Charge
2. Vans, pickup trucks or any vehicle pulling a two-wheel trailer or any other vehicle: (a) hauling miscellaneous waste not exceeding .4 ton (b) hauling 50% or more wood or yard waste not exceeding .4 ton (c) hauling miscellaneous waste exceeding .4 ton	\$8.00/ load \$11.00/ load \$30.54/ton *
3. Transfer Trucks	See Note #1
4. Added to the charges listed herein will be a charge of: (a) \$1.00 per tire (up to 9 tires) being disposed of with a load of routine refuse (b) \$10.00 per uncovered load of refuse which has exposed material which in the opinion of the General Manager-Chief Engineer may litter access routes to the landfill (c) \$10.00 per ton for loads which are judged to be 50% or more wood waste/yard waste by volume (d) \$5.00 per ton for out of county incidental amounts of refuse	
5. Vehicles hauling loads of more than 9 motor vehicle and/or standard truck equipment tires and any load with 1 or more oversize tires, used on motor graders, scrapers, etc.	\$86.03/ton **
6. All other vehicles carrying wastes requiring special handling	\$40.72/ton **
7. All vehicles not described in any other provision of this fee schedule	\$30.54/ton *
8. Emergency towing services: (a) 10 minutes or less (b) over 10 minutes	\$20.00 \$35.00
9. For customers unloading: (a) 16 to 30 minutes past closing (b) 31 minutes or more	\$10.00 \$20.00

**Notes:**

- 1) Rate for Transfer Trucks to be determined by individual contracts.
- 2) Loads of dead sheep or small calves from the Blythe service area separated from other waste will be received at no charge at the Blythe Landfill (daily from 8am to 9am) due to health and safety risk in the vast open canal system in the area.
- 3) Certified loads of illegally dumped nonhazardous municipal solid waste retrieved along open flowing irrigation canals which are delivered by the agency responsible for maintaining the canals shall be received at no charge at the Blythe Landfill.
- 4) The General Manager-Chief Engineer is authorized to recoup costs associated with the segregation of unauthorized waste commingled with routine refuse.

\* Cash customers prorated to the nearest \$.25

\*\* Cash customers prorated to the nearest \$.25 with a minimum charge of \$20.00 per vehicle