

County of Santa Cruz

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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AGENDA: NOVEMBER 14, 2000

November 2, 2000

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

SUBJECT: BUENA VISTA LANDFILL GAS POWER PROJECT

Members of the Board:

On September 19, 2000, your Board directed Public Works to return with a status report on the development of the Buena Vista Landfill Gas Power Project. In our previous correspondence, your Board approved a contract with Dr. Dean Tibbs of Advanced Energy Strategies, an economic consultant specializing in energy projects, to assist in development of baseline economics, respond to proposals, and provide updates on current and future market conditions that may affect this project.

Negotiations and economic review for our project are continuing. Dr. Tibbs has provided Public Works with several valuable economic evaluations on the proposals we have received, as well as offered alternatives that may enhance the project economics for both the County and the developers. We are continuing to make positive progress in our negotiations with Brown, Vence and Associates and their energy development group. We anticipate an additional six to eight weeks will be necessary to make a recommendation to your Board.

It is therefore recommended that the Board of Supervisors take the following action:

1. Accept and file this report on the Buena Vista Landfill Gas Power Project.

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2. Direct Public Works to return on or before January 9, 2001 with a status report and recommendations on the Buena Vista Landfill Gas Power Project.

Yours truly,

THOMAS L. BOLICH

Director of Public Works

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APPROVAL IDED FOR

County Administrative Officer

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Public Works Department