



January 29, 2021

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

**Jan 29 2021**

Tahirah Farris  
Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning  
320 W. Temple St., 13<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
[tfarris@planning.lacounty.gov](mailto:tfarris@planning.lacounty.gov)

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

**Subject: SCH No. 2020060242** – Green Zones Program Draft Environmental Impact Report – Los Angeles County

Dear Ms. Farris:

Thank you for allowing the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) staff to provide comments on the proposed project and for your agency's consideration of these comments as part of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process.

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning, acting as Lead Agency, has prepared and circulated a Notice of Completion (NOC) of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in order to comply with CEQA and to provide information to, and solicit consultation with, Responsible Agencies in the approval of the proposed project. The Green Zones Program aims to provide environmental justice by providing zoning requirements for industrial uses, vehicle related uses and recycling and solid waste uses that may disproportionately affect communities surrounding these land uses in alignment with state environmental justice initiatives, including the Planning for Healthy Communities Act (SB 1000). The proposed program will also regulate recycling and solid waste facilities in support of Senate Bill 1383 that focuses on waste diversion and the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (SB 32 and SB 535).

### **COMMENTS**

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health is the solid waste Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) for Los Angeles County and responsible for providing regulatory oversight of solid waste handling activities, including permitting and inspections. Solid waste handling and disposal activity project applicants should reach out to their LEA early in the process to discuss permitting and regulatory requirements. Please contact Dorcas Hanson-Lugo at 626.430.5540 to discuss the regulatory requirements for site specific solid waste handling and disposal activities.

CalRecycle has developed guidance regarding the CEQA process as it relates to solid waste handling and disposal activities -

<https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/SWFacilities/Permitting/CEQA/Toolbox/>.

### **CONCLUSION**

CalRecycle staff thanks the Lead Agency for the opportunity to review and comment on the environmental document and hopes that this comment letter will be useful to the Lead Agency in carrying out their responsibilities in the CEQA process.

CalRecycle staff requests copies of any subsequent environmental documents, copies of public notices and any Notices of Determination for this proposed project.

If the environmental document is adopted during a public hearing, CalRecycle staff requests 10 days advance notice of this hearing. If the document is adopted without a public hearing, CalRecycle staff requests 10 days advance notification of the date of the adoption and proposed project approval by the decision-making body.

If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact me at 916.341.6413 or by e-mail at [jeff.hackett@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:jeff.hackett@calrecycle.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



Jeff Hackett, Manager  
Permits & Assistance South Section  
Permitting & Assistance Branch

cc via email:

Dorcas Hanson-Lugo, LEA, [dlugo@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:dlugo@ph.lacounty.gov)  
Benjamin Escotto, CalRecycle, [Benjamin.escotto@calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Benjamin.escotto@calrecycle.ca.gov)  
State Clearinghouse - [state.clearinghouse@opr.ca.gov](mailto:state.clearinghouse@opr.ca.gov)