

BETTER PLACE FORESTS

Date: 12/19/19

Re: Verification of Non-Applicability of Cemetery Requirements

Based on the below correspondence between Better Place Forests CEO and representatives of the California Cemetery and Funeral Bureau, the scattering of cremains does not constitute nor create a cemetery in the state of California. Our methods for spreading cremains as described in *Section 7.0 Program Statement - Project Narrative* are aligned with the parameters set forth in California Health and Safety Code Section 7116.

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Subject: Cremated Remains

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Sandy,

The information below can be found in the California Health and Safety Code and the Cremated Remains Disposers Handbook. Keep in mind this applies only to California. The Cemetery and Funeral Bureau has no jurisdiction outside the State.

*HS § 7116. Cremated remains may be scattered in areas where no local prohibition exists, provided that the cremated remains are not distinguishable to the public, are not in a container, and that the person who has control over disposition of the cremated remains has obtained written permission of the property owner or governing agency to scatter on the property. A state or local agency may adopt an ordinance, regulation, or policy, as appropriate, authorizing, consistent with this section, or specifically prohibiting, the scattering of cremated human remains on lands under the agency's jurisdiction. **The scattering of the cremated remains of more than one person in one location pursuant to this section shall not create a cemetery pursuant to Section 7003 or any other provision of law.***

Please contact the bureau you have additional questions.

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