

Notice of Determination**- 1 -**

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108
State Clearinghouse Number: 2023030563

Project Title: Tajiguas Landfill Capacity Increase Project (Project) (California Endangered Species Act (CESA) Incidental Take Permit No. 2081-2024-007-05 (ITP)).

Project Location: The Project is located at the Tajiguas Landfill in unincorporated Santa Barbara County approximately 26 miles west of the City of Santa Barbara. The street address for the Tajiguas Landfill is 14470 Calle Real, Santa Barbara, California 93117. Mitigation is proposed off site on the Baron Ranch property located immediately adjacent to the Tajiguas Landfill at 14550 Calle Real, Santa Barbara, California, 93117.

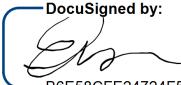
Project Description: The Project will increase the capacity of the Tajiguas Landfill by expanding the disposal area footprint to the north and east by approximately 14.25 acres. The Project will provide approximately 6.1 million cubic yards of additional airspace for burial of solid waste to extend the estimated closure year of the Tajiguas Landfill to approximately December 2038. The Project will require vegetation removal, excavation, blasting, grading, slope contouring, slope stabilization, concrete pouring, paving, and relocation of utility lines and pipes. The Project will result in impacts to 15.7 acres of Crotch's bumble bee (*Bombus crotchii*) habitat including temporary impacts to 5.5 acres and permanent removal of 10.2 acres of Crotch's bumble bee habitat. The Project is expected to result in incidental take of Crotch's bumble bee, which is a species designated as candidate for listing as endangered pursuant to CESA. The ITP referenced above as issued by CDFW authorizes incidental take of species listed under CESA that may occur as a result of Project implementation.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as [the lead agency / a responsible agency] approved the above-described project on the date signed below and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project [will / will not] have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).

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- 2. [An environmental impact report / A negative declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
- 3. Additional mitigation measures [were / were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was / was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was / was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings [were / were not] made by CDFW pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21081(a).
- 7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):
 - Payment is submitted with this notice.
 - A copy of a receipt showing prior payment was submitted to CDFW.
- Responsible Agency statement: The EIR prepared by the lead agency for the Project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the lead agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings related to the incidental take permit is available to the public for review at CDFW's regional office.

Signature  Date: 8/19/2024

Erinn Wilson-Olgin, *Regional Manager*

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____