



Is more trash headed to Temescal Valley?

LA County landfill could be ordered to ship trash elsewhere

What does a stinky Los Angeles County landfill have in common with Temescal Valley?

Residents of Granada Hills for many years have filed complaints with the South Coast Air Quality Management District about the methane odors emanating from the Sunshine Canyon Landfill in neighboring Sylmar.

The AQMD board soon could be placing an Order of Abatement on the landfill that would limit its hours of operation and reduce its intake of garbage by 3,000 tons a day. Options for where those 3,000 tons of trash will be sent are limited, and Temescal Valley's **El Sobrante Landfill** could be a possible recipient. El Sobrante is not at capacity on the daily amount it can receive and could accept 3,000 more tons which equates to about 175 more truckloads a day.

Also involved in the Sunshine Canyon fray are the county and city of Los Angeles. At the urging of county **Supervisor Michael Antonovich**, last week the county Department of Public Health announced it had served a notice of violation to the landfill, stating it is a "nuisance affecting the health and well-being of residents."

Los Angeles City **Councilman Mitchell Englander** on Friday introduced a motion that the city identify another facility to accept the trash, the LA Daily News reported. Englander was quoted as saying, "It's the first step in shutting it down. I want to stop the odors."

Representatives of Sunshine Canyon, operated by Republic Services, say they have spent \$27 million since 2009 in trying to remedy landfill odors. They also have stated that of the 9,000 complaints received by the AQMD since 2009, 70 percent over a five-year period came from only 20 addresses. They argue that it makes no sense for the AQMD to divert the waste because of additional emissions that would be generated by trucks used to haul it elsewhere.

Sunshine Canyon hired a consultant who has reached out to residents of communities where landfills are located to "warn" them of the possibility of more trash and more trucks.

An Oct. 20 meeting coordinated by the consultant at the Marie Callender's in Corona was attended by about 20 Temescal Valley residents. Also attending were Waste Management employees **Miriam Cardenas** and **Lily Quiroa**, and **Jeff Greene**, chief of staff for **1st District Supervisor Kevin Jeffries**.



RESIDENTS PROTEST ODORS: Granada Hills residents last year staged a protest at the Sunshine Canyon Landfill in Sylmar. Photo: Los Angeles Daily News.

EL SOBRANTE RESPONDS

"We do not have a position on the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) petition for an Order of Abatement against Republic's Sunshine Canyon Landfill facility. El Sobrante is a regional landfill that serves multiple counties such as Riverside, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, San Diego and Orange. Regardless of SCAQMD's decisions at Sunshine Canyon, it will be business as usual at El Sobrante. We will continue to provide critical waste disposal services while operating in accordance with our permit and complying with our approved tonnage and truck limits."

Landfill's Oversight Committee to meet

The **El Sobrante Landfill Citizen Oversight Committee (COC)**, will meet at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 30 at the Temescal Valley Water District, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.

USA Waste, owner of the landfill, is required to submit an annual report to the county's Board of Supervisors documenting its conformance with the conditions and mitigation measures imposed on El Sobrante.

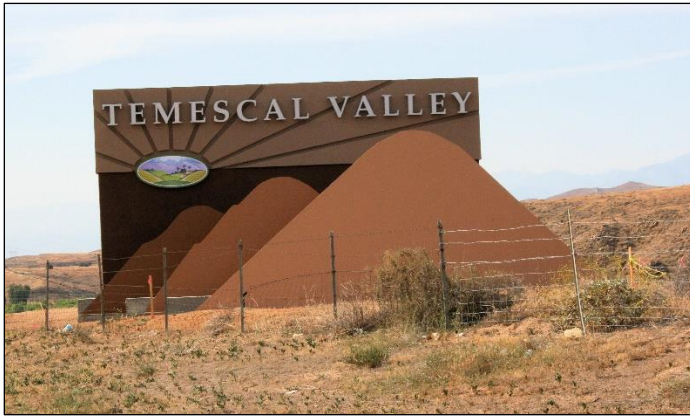
The report is first vetted by the Annual Review Committee, comprised of three county employees appointed for that purpose, and then by the COC for final review and comments.

COC members are appointed by county supervisors **Kevin Jeffries** and **John Tavaglione**. They are: Chairwoman **Amie Kinne** (Dawson Canyon resident); Vice-Chairman **Paul Rodriguez** (Wildrose Ranch), **Rob Mucha** (The Retreat), **Jana Walche** (El Cerrito) and **Floyd Mohr** (Trilogy).

Monuments to get overhaul

CALENDAR

EVENTS



PERMANENT FIX: It was decided at the October Municipal Advisory Council meeting to use money in the Temescal Valley Community Fund to redesign the freeway monuments to make them less accessible to thieves, who continually steal the solar lighting elements and battery cells.

- **Veteran's Day:** Thank you for your service to our great nation. **Friday, Nov. 11.** No school.
- **13th Annual Trilogy Boutique:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., **Saturday, Nov. 12.** Forty artisans featured, Mrs. Claus' Bake Shop, Hot Dog Depot — all at The Lodge. White Elephant Sale and Candy Cane Cafe at the Lake Center. Breakfast, 7 to 11 a.m.; soup & salad lunch, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- **Fall Festival:** Todd Academy, 5 to 7 p.m., **Friday, Nov. 18.** Live entertainment, petting zoo, games, family photos, face painting, cake walk, bouncers. Vendor Alley with food trucks
- **Thanksgiving Vacation:** No school **Monday, Nov. 21 – Friday, Nov. 25.**
- **Thanksgiving Day:** Take a turkey to dinner. **Thursday, Nov. 24.**
- **Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., **Mondays, Wednesdays.** Home school program, 9:30 to 11 a.m., **second and fourth Mondays** through Dec. 12, 11875 Indian Truck Trail.
- **El Cerrito County Library:** 7581 Rudell Road, behind El Cerrito Middle School. Many fun activities for the kids! 951-270-5012 or visit the library on Facebook.
- **100 Mile Club:** 8 to 9 a.m., **every Sunday,** Deleo Regional Park. Parents must be in attendance.
- **County Bookmobile:** 2 to 4 p.m., **every Monday,** Tom's Farms; 9 to 11 a.m., **every Tuesday,** Deleo Regional Sports Park.
- **Tom's Farms:** Every weekend — **Craft Faire,** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; **Magic Show,** noon and 2 p.m.; **live music,** 1 to 4 p.m.

Unofficial election results

Corona-Norco Unified School Dist. Gov Brd Mbr TA 5			
Completed Precincts		28 of 28	
BILL POLLOCK	3,619	30.96%	
JAMI MERCHANT	3,389	28.99%	
CHAD MORGAN	2,950	25.24%	
LARISSA N. ADRIAN	1,731	14.81%	

TEMESCAL VALLEY MEETINGS

MORE VOTES TO BE COUNTED: This is the vote tally compiled in Tuesday's election by the county's Registrar of Voters office for Trustee Area 5 in the **Corona-Norco Unified School District.**

It appears that **Bill Pollock** won election to the CNUSD board. About 182,000 vote-by-mail, 67,000 provisional and 12,500 damaged ballots must still be processed, and could possibly change the outcome of the election. The Registrar will be posting the next update at 6 p.m., Friday, Nov. 11.

Lake Elsinore Unified School District's Measure V, a \$105 million-bond issue, was passed by voters with a 64.87% majority and 15,738 total 'yes' votes. **Steve Wood**, the challenger for the Trustee Area 5 board seat, defeated incumbent **Harold Stryker** 2,410 votes (54.28%) to 2,030 votes (45.72%).

Al Lopez retained his Division 5 seat on the **Western Municipal Water District** board of directors. **Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez** and **Rep. Ken Calvert** also were re-elected.

Self-storage facility near Hostettler Road?

The **Riverside County Planning Commission** earlier this month gave the "green light" to change the land-use designation on 7.03 acres located south of Horsethief Canyon Ranch, and south of Hostettler Road between the I-15 freeway and Temescal Canyon Road. If approved by the **Board of Supervisors**, an 800-unit self-storage facility could be built there.

- **Temescal Valley Water District Board Meeting:** 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday, Nov. 22,** 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Public Safety Committee:** 6:30 p.m., **Monday, Nov. 28,** Trilogy Blue Water Sports Club, Center for Well-Being Room, 24491 Trilogy Parkway.
- **El Sobrante Landfill Citizens' Oversight Committee:** 10 a.m., **Wednesday, Nov. 30,** Temescal Valley Water District office, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Identity Committee:** 6 p.m., **Thursday, Dec. 8,** Senior Tom's restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Beautification Committee:** 7 p.m., **Thursday, Dec. 8,** Senior Tom's restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley citizens' group:** 8:30 a.m., **Saturday, Dec. 10,** Trilogy Lodge, Temescal Room, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.
- **Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council:** No meeting in December.

MEETINGS THAT AFFECT US

- **Riverside County Board of Supervisors:** 9 a.m., **Tuesday, Nov. 15,** Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Corona-Norco Unified School District:** Study session, 6 p.m., **Tuesday, Nov. 15,** 2820 Clark Ave., Norco.
- **Riverside County Planning Commission:** 9 a.m., **Wednesday, Nov. 23,** Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Riverside County Board of Supervisors:** 9 a.m., **Tuesday, Dec. 6,** Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Corona-Norco Unified School District:** Business meeting, 7 p.m., **Tuesday, Dec. 6,** 2820 Clark Ave., Norco.
- **Riverside County Planning Commission:** 9 a.m., **Wednesday, Dec. 7.** Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Lake Elsinore Unified School District:** 9 a.m., **Thursday, Dec. 8,** 545 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore.
- **Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Board Meeting:** 4 p.m., **Thursday, Dec. 8,** 31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore