

**NOTICE OF PREPARATION AND NOTICE OF SCOPING MEETING,  
DRAFT FOCUSED SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** of Tulare County's intent to prepare a Draft Focused Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR or EIR). A public scoping meeting will be held on Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 1:30 P.M., to receive oral comments concerning the scope of this SEIR in the Resource Management Agency Main Conference Room at 5961 South Mooney Blvd., Visalia, CA 93277-9394, and by call-in by phone at **(559) 624-7116**.

1. **PROJECT:** Visalia Disposal (Landfill) Site Compost and Biomass Conversion Facility - Landfilling Operations
2. **APPLICANT/AGENT:** Tulare County Solid Waste
3. **PROJECT LOCATION:** The existing Visalia Disposal Site (landfill) is located at 8614 Avenue 328, Visalia, CA 93291. The entire Landfill boundary currently encompasses approximately 634 acres at the northeast corner of Avenue 328 and Road 80 and includes five (5) parcels (APNs 077-020-018, 77-020-021, 077-020-024, 077-020-026, and 077-020-030). The project site is within the Traver USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle and is located within Sections 4 & 5, Township 18 South, Range 24 East, MDBM, outside the County Urban Development Boundary and Urban Area Boundary of Visalia.
4. **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Visalia Disposal (Landfill) Site is currently permitted for receiving up to 2,000 tons of municipal waste per day and are just below that threshold. If the proposed compost facility generates additional new tonnage, the County risks being in violation of that permit. Therefore, the proposed project would increase permitted tonnage to 3,000 tons per day (tpd) to be split between the compost facility and the landfilling operations. The original permitted 2,000 tons will be used for solid waste disposal, and the maximum additional 1,000 tons would be used for the composting operation. It is anticipated that, over time, a maximum of 1,200 haul truck trips will be used to deliver landfill and compost material; 900 haul truck trips would deliver landfill material to the existing landfill and 300 haul truck trips would deliver compost material to the composting operation located within the Landfill's existing footprint.
5. **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:** Focused Subsequent Environmental Impact Report. The Notice of Preparation is available on the County website at:  
<https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/index.cfm/planning-building/environmental-planning/environmental-impact-reports/visalia-landfill-compost-and-biomass-conversion-facility/>
6. **NOTICE OF PREPARATION COMMENT PERIOD:** June 14, 2023 – July 14, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard. If you have any questions regarding this environmental document please call Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner, at (559) 624-7121 (**para Español llame Brenda Alcantar** (559) 624-7000).

If you challenge the decision on any of the foregoing matters in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Tulare County Resource Management Agency, Economic Development and Planning Branch within the review period described herein.

In compliance with the American Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in meetings call (559) 624-7000 48-hours in advance of the meeting.

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