

## NOTICE INVITING WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer (EO/APCO) of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District has issued a preliminary decision to approve permit condition revisions that will authorize the Fill Area 2 Landfill Expansion Project (Application # 14814) at the Altamont Landfill Facility in Livermore, CA (Site # A2066).

This facility is a major facility, because it is permitted to emit more than 100 tons per year of nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) and carbon monoxide (CO). However, this site is not subject to Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) requirements, because non-fugitive emissions of each regulated air pollutant are less than the applicable 250 ton/year PSD threshold. The proposed modifications to the Altamont Landfill will result in more than 40 tons per year of precursor organic compound (POC) emission increases, which makes this project a major modification of an existing major facility. Pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-405, the Air Pollution Control Officer invites written public comment on the BAAQMD's preliminary decision to authorize the Fill Area 2 expansion of the Altamont Landfill.

Waste Management of Alameda County has requested modifications to the BAAQMD permit for the Altamont Landfill that would allow waste disposal to begin in an adjacent canyon designated as Fill Area 2. The proposed permit condition revisions will increase the design capacity of the Altamont Landfill from 58.9 million cubic yards to 124.4 million cubic yards and will initially change the cumulative placement limit from 47.1 million tons of decomposable waste to 48.3 million tons of decomposable materials. This cumulative placement limit will be increased every 2 years from 2013 through 2035, up to a maximum limit of 88.0 million tons of decomposable materials, after BAAQMD has received the required emission reduction credit increments described below.

The proposed modifications include the establishment of the following maximum emission limits for the S-2 Altamont Landfill: 387.5 tons per year of Particulate Matter (PM<sub>10</sub>) and 111.5 tons per year of Precursor Organic Compounds (POC). The proposed modifications will result in 47.5 tons per year of total POC emission increases. Since proposed PM<sub>10</sub> emissions will be less than the current potential to emit, this project will not result in any PM<sub>10</sub> emission increases.

The Altamont Landfill will meet the Best Available Control Technology (BACT) requirement of District Regulation 2-2-301.1 for POC emissions by having a state-of-the-art landfill gas collection and control system. POC offsets are required pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-302. Waste Management has supplied an initial POC emission reduction credit (ERC) amount of 11.1 tons/year, which will offset the first increment of POC emission increases that result from changing the cumulative placement limit to 48.3 million tons of decomposable materials. Waste Management will supply the remaining POC ERCs that are due for this project in 2-year increments from 2013 through 2035.

The Preliminary Decision to Approve Permit Condition Revisions for the Fill Area 2 Landfill Expansion Project report documents the Air Pollution Control Officer's preliminary decision to issue a Change of Conditions for the S-2 Altamont Landfill. The information submitted by the applicant and the BAAQMD's report are available for public inspection at the District headquarters at 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco CA, 94109. The report may also be viewed on the District web page at the following address: [http://www.baaqmd.gov/pmt/title\\_v/public\\_notices.htm](http://www.baaqmd.gov/pmt/title_v/public_notices.htm).

Written comments should be directed to Carol Allen, at Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 or by e-mail to [callen@baaqmd.gov](mailto:callen@baaqmd.gov) by no later than **June 1, 2009**. Any request for information should be directed to Carol Allen at (415) 749-4702.

Dated at San Francisco, the 22nd day of April, 2009.

Signed by Jack P. Broadbent

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