

SLU CNTY
PLANNING/BUILDING
DEPT

Mr. John McKensie
County Of San Luis Obispo
Dept. Of Planning & Building
County Govt. Center, Room 200
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

2011 JUL 11 PM 1:26

July 10, 2011

Subject: CCL RDEIR Comments

Dear Sir,

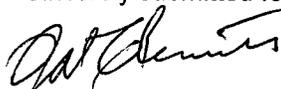
My family & those of my son's family comments concerning the environmental Water, Noise, and Odor Impacts in connection with the Recirculated CCL EIR are being covered by separate letters.

I would like to address several other issues in this letter.

- Drainage Control
- our property has received contaminated water and large quantities of sand/silt from uncontrolled storm water runoff from CCL.
 - until the spring 2011 storms, I have not been aware of any monitoring of CCL surface water discharges for quality and sand/silt onto my property and into the creek.
 - I don't see where the RDEIR has addressed this issue.
- Vector Control-
- I have noticed that seagulls have returned to my neighbors property the last week or two.
 - Several years ago they were a very serious problem for our properties. I do not know what current control measures have changed but something surely has and should be addressed in the RDEIR.
- Litter Control/Fugitive Trash
- I have personally observed escaping trash from CCL trucks littering the roads going to the landfill.
 - The mitigation measure of one week to pick up roadside trash/litter after someone makes a call seems inadequate.
 - The mitigation measure of providing trash pick-up every second month on neighboring properties after first requesting a pick-up would not work for me. If I did not remove the trash myself, it could lay there for 4 months if I missed the first bi-monthly pre-notice request requirement
- Highway Noise-
- This has not been a major concern for me. But I would like to mention that the noise from flapping tarps a lot of times is greater than noise from a passing truck.
- Visual Impacts
- Secondary Impact under HAZ/mm-2 pg V-187 says that visual resources mitigation previously proposed to screen the Landfill and activities as seen from highway 227 would also provide some screening for the fences. No additional mitigation is required.
 - this may be true as far as the fencing is concerned but it is totaling inadequate for the remainder of the Landfill and their activities.
 - The dominant impact I see is that the past & proposed expansions have literally screened my view of the beautiful Edna Valley rural area. It has swallowed us up, put us into a bag, and we can not see out.

The final and most imperative issue is simply this- The San Luis Obispo County Government and CCL have effectively seized our use & comfortable enjoyment of our property without any form of relief or compensation.

Sincerely submitted for your consideration of our comments,


Pat/Lynette Clements



Mr. John McKensie
County Of San Luis Obispo
Dept. Of Planning & Building
County Govt. Center, Room 200
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

July 10, 2011

Subject: CCL RDEIR Comments

Dear Sir,

The following are my comments concerning the environmental impacts in connection with the proposed CCL proposal.

Water Resources

The DEIR significantly overstated the ground water recharge rate. The RDEIR indicates that ground water demand could exceed potential by 129%.

Mitigation Measures in the RDEIR have not adequately addressed this issue. Measures should be established to address each & every one of the "Bullet Points" of item 3. Thresholds Of Significance on pg V-241.

In addition, We propose specific mitigation measures be included to:

1. limit ground water production on-site to a level that can be sustained without interfering with other off-site wells.
2. specify that Imported Water should be from sites beyond the local ground water basin.

Water Quality

The Water Quality monitoring measures in the RDEIR are deficient to ensure safe water and timely communication of any unsafe conditions to the local neighbors.

The second paragraph of item h. Regional Water Quality pg V-234 indicates that water quality in wells within a one-mile radius of the Landfill has not changed significantly since Landfill operations began. How can this be a known fact? We have lived here for 20+ years and are not aware of any test CCL has done on our well for water quality.

Paragraph k. Pg V-237 indicates monitoring wells be sampled and analyzed on a quarterly or semi-annual basis.

Water Quality is a significant concern to us and monitoring is surely justified on a more frequent basis.

Your review of these matters that affect our lives and incorporation of corrective measures into the EIR is appreciated.

Best Regards,


Pat Clements


Lynette Clements


Jere Clements


Connie Clements

Mr. John McKensie
County Of San Luis Obispo
Dept. Of Planning & Building
County Govt. Center, Room 200
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

July 10, 2011

Subject: CCL RDEIR Comments

Dear Sir,

The following are my comments concerning the environmental impacts in connection with the proposed CCL proposal.

Noise

The RDEIR has made reference to Cold Canyon Landfill being a construction site- HOW TRUE THAT IS. A NEVER ENDING CONSTRUCTION SITE with all the associated adverse impacts to a rural residential neighborhood.

SLO CO Noise Element Policy (pg V-196) points out that New Development and Stationary Noise Sources may be permitted **only where location or design allow the development to meet standards for existing stationary noise sources.** Similarity for New or Modified Noise Sources.

Noise Barrier Contingency Plan (Mitigation Measure NS/MM-3 pg V-205) is totally unrealistic for my property.

Simply view the location of our residences & activity areas compared to the proposed location & height of the modules .

Our "outdoor activity area" is extensive compared to a city backyard. It consists of multiply acres of pasture, gardens, barns, fences, etc that we habitually use and maintain daily. To repeat, we are outside & about it daily. Its no "weekly mow the lawn and the have a BBQ" activity. Its 6 1/4 days a week outside job taking care of our livestock and property

Measures to eliminate &/or reduce the dBA of the noise source should be mandated. One source of excessive noise that can readily be eliminated is to line the metal dump bins with a sound absorbing material. Currently, they are dumping massive pieces of concrete, steel, iron into metal bins. On a good day you can hear them throughout the day, At other times, the weight & type of the objects being dropped sound and feel like an explosion. The noise/vibration is unsettling.

The County would not accept similar noise levels in other neighborhoods. It seems unreasonable to accept them as unavoidable at CCL.

IT seems that Noise Barriers specifed in NS/mm-3 are not being considered for the CCL boundary to our property and if so, would not work. The measure to make a one-time payment up to the undetermined cost of an ineffective barrier, does not appear to meet the requirement of **NOISE ELEMENT, SECTION 4.14** pg V-196, 197.

Minimal monetary consideration for the Noise Nuisance that interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life & property to ourselves and our descendants coupled with the loss of property value growth would be indecent and offensive as well as confiscatory.

Yes, I would consider the abatement of Real & Personal Property Taxes for the active life of the Landfill as a possible mitigating measure. Perhaps you may think this excessive.

Just remember you have classified it as a **significant and unavoidable impact (Class I).** If the project proposal is truly necessary as presently defined for the good of the county, It is a small price to consider for those neighbors that can not move to get away from the adverse affects.

Thank You for your consideration of these comments.


Pat Clements Lynette Clements Jere Clements Connie Clements

Mr. John McKensie
County Of San Luis Obispo
Dept. Of Planning & Building
County Govt. Center, Room 200
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

July 10, 2011

Subject: CCL RDEIR Comments

Dear Sir,

The following are my comments concerning the environmental impacts in connection with the proposed CCL proposal.

ODORS

Haz/mm13 RDIR pg V-199

Subject paragraph reads in part- the applicant **shall enclose the facility and/or implement an alternative composting technology, such as anerobic digestion(AD).**

It has been established that (AD) could lead to objectionable odors. This fact in conjunction with CalRecycle's definition of an odor being a nuisance at a solid waste facility that:

- a. is injurious to human health.
- b. is indecent or offensive to the senses.
- c. interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property.
- d. affects the entire community, neighborhood, or any considerable number of persons.

We propose that a defined time limit be imposed to cease CO if applicant has not reduced odors and wind blown particulates to an insignificant level.

Our health and enjoyment of life or property must not be violated.

The CO can & should be moved to a more feasible location **if CCL can not meet HEALTH & NUISANCE STANDARDS** at the Cold Canyon Location.

IF they can meet Standards, WE would not be against it.

Thank You for your consideration of these comments,


Pat Clements Lynette Clements Jere Clements Connie Clements