

San Benito County Integrated Waste Management Regional Agency

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To: Hauling Companies Operating in San Benito County

From: San Benito County Integrated Waste Management (IWM)

Subject: TERMINATION OF NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

IN ADVANCE OF NEW PERMITTING SYSTEM

Date: March 1, 2024

Currently, haulers that collect solid waste, recyclables, organic materials, roll-off/debris box/drop box collection, and/or construction and demolition materials in San Benito County, Hollister, and San Juan Bautista are required to have an approved agreement on file with the County of San Benito. The agreement is known as the Non-Exclusive Franchise Agreement (NEFA).

In an effort to streamline the NEFA process and comply with mandatory state requirements such as SB 1383, San Benito County Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Regional Agency staff have recommended a new Non-Exclusive Hauler Permit process, which has been approved by the City Councils of Hollister and San Juan Bautista and the Board of Supervisors of San Benito County through a Memorandum of Understanding. Permits will go into effect July 1, 2024. Any solid waste hauler that collects garbage, recyclables, organic materials, and/or construction and demolition materials in San Benito County, Hollister and San Juan Bautista will be required to have an approved hauling permit on file and be compliant with quarterly reporting and payment requirements and annual permit fees to the County, or the company will not be authorized to operate in the County and the Cities.

As outlined in the current NEFA, either party may terminate the agreement without cause at any time. In order to terminate the agreement without cause, the terminating party shall give one hundred and twenty (120) days advance written notice to the other parties. In the event of termination, franchisees shall pay all franchise fees owed up to and including the effective date of termination.

This memo serves as the County of San Benito's one hundred twenty (120) day termination notice, effective March 1, 2024.

To prepare for these changes and to review the approved permit, quarterly reporting form, and approved Memorandum of Understanding, visit www.cosb.us/NEF. IWM will be offering an informational hauler workshop and Q&A in March:

Save the Date: Hauler Workshop Thursday, March 28 at 9:00am 2301 Technology Parkway, Hollister CA (Upstairs Conference Room)

Additional information regarding SB 1383 may be found here: County of San Benito SB 1383 Home Page: www.cosb.us/sb1383 CalRecycle Home Page: www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/SLCP/collection

If you have questions, please contact IWM Staff Analyst kramirez@cosb.us or call 831-636-4110.