

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION CITY OF SAN DIEGO	CERTIFICATE NUMBER (FOR COMPTROLLER'S USE ONLY)
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TO: CITY COUNCIL	FROM (ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT): Environmental Services	DATE: 10/24/2014
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SUBJECT: Redesignation and Expansion of the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone.

PRIMARY CONTACT (NAME, PHONE): Ken Prue, 858-492-5085 MS1103B	SECONDARY CONTACT (NAME, PHONE): Meghan Cannis, 858-492-5009 MS 1003B
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COMPLETE FOR ACCOUNTING PURPOSES

FUND					
FUNCTIONAL AREA					
COST CENTER					
GENERAL LEDGER ACCT					
WBS OR INTERNAL ORDER					
CAPITAL PROJECT No.					
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COST SUMMARY (IF APPLICABLE):

ROUTING AND APPROVALS

CONTRIBUTORS/REVIEWERS:	APPROVING AUTHORITY	APPROVAL SIGNATURE	DATE SIGNED
Liaison Office	ORIG DEPT.	Greenhalgh, Darren	10/24/2014
Environmental Analysis	CFO		
	DEPUTY CHIEF		
	COO		
	CITY ATTORNEY		
	COUNCIL PRESIDENTS OFFICE		

PREPARATION OF: RESOLUTIONS ORDINANCE(S) AGREEMENT(S) DEED(S)

1. Adopt Addendum to Negative Declaration SCH 2004091023; Project No. 48148

2. Approve the submittal of an application to renew and expand the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ), which already includes the northern communities of the City of San Diego, in order to now include the Cities of Santee and Encinitas, and portions of the unincorporated areas of the County of San Diego that were not previously included in the RMDZ.

3. Agree to administer the RMDZ program in a manner that seeks to ensure the fair treatment of people of all

races, cultures and incomes, including but not limited to soliciting public participation in all communities within the RMDZ, including minority and low income populations.	
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Approve the requested actions.	
SPECIAL CONDITIONS (REFER TO A.R. 3.20 FOR INFORMATION ON COMPLETING THIS SECTION)	
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):	All
COMMUNITY AREA(S):	All
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:	The City of San Diego as Responsible Agency under CEQA has reviewed and considered an Addendum to SCH 2004091023; Project No. 48148, dated January 31, 2014, covering this activity. Prepared by the County of San Diego as Lead Agency to be adopted by the County Board of Supervisors on October 29, 2014 by Resolution.
CITY CLERK INSTRUCTIONS:	

COUNCIL ACTION
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET
CITY OF SAN DIEGO

DATE: 10/24/2014

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Environmental Services

SUBJECT: Redesignation and Expansion of the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone.

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

CONTACT/PHONE NUMBER: Ken Prue/858-492-5085 MS1103B

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY OF ITEM:

The redesignation or renewal of the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone is required so that the northern communities of the City of San Diego, and the cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Marcos, Solana Beach, and Vista; and the County of San Diego may remain active participants in the California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery's (CalRecycle) Recycling Market Development Zone Program (RMDZ). This resolution is in support of the County of San Diego as the administrator of the RMDZ.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the requested actions.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF ITEM BACKGROUND:

The redesignation or renewal of the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone is required so that the northern communities of the City of San Diego, and the cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Marcos, Solana Beach, and Vista, and portions of the unincorporated County of San Diego may remain active participants in the California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery's (CalRecycle) Recycling Market Development Zone Program (RMDZ). This program promotes recycling by providing businesses that use materials from the waste stream to manufacture their products access to low-interest loans, assistance in permitting, feedstock identification, referrals to local agencies and business assistance groups, and free product marketing, if they site within a RMDZ. There are currently 36 zones that cover roughly 88,000 square miles of California from the Oregon border to San Diego.

The RMDZ program is a partnership between CalRecycle and participating jurisdictions. The County of San Diego currently administers the North San Diego County RMDZ and is developing and submitting the redesignation application. The RMDZ Loan Program, technical assistance and product marketing are provided by CalRecycle. Environmental Services Department and Economic Development Department staff participate in this program and provide recycling, permitting, and economic development related assistance; and also assist with the administration of the RMDZ. Other participating jurisdictions have roles similar to City staff.

There are two areas in San Diego County that have been designated as RMDZs. The South San Diego RMDZ was first designated in 1992 consisting of City and County portions of Otay Mesa, was redesignated and expanded in 2000 to include the City of Chula Vista, and redesignated

again in 2003. It was also redesignated and expanded on March 31, 2013 to include the portions of the City that are not currently part of a RMDZ, along with the cities of Coronado, El Cajon, Imperial Beach, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, National City, and Santee; expanded areas of Unincorporated San Diego County from the City limits east to the county line; and all of Imperial County. RMDZs are designated for ten (10) years, and the current designation of the South San Diego RMDZ expires in 2023. The North San Diego County RMDZ was first designated in 1994 and redesignated in 2004, and includes northern portions of the City of San Diego (primarily focused on Miramar and Rancho Bernardo), along with the Cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Marcos, Solana Beach, and Vista; and portions of the unincorporated areas of the County of San Diego. The current designation of the North San Diego County RMDZ expires on November 16, 2014. The City of San Diego's approved Resolution may be submitted after the North San Diego County RMDZ's expiration.

Through the current redesignation process, the North San Diego County RMDZ will be expanded to include the Cities of Santee and Encinitas; and northern and eastern portions of the unincorporated areas of the County that were not previously included in a RMDZ. The purpose for expanding the boundaries is to increase the available area in which companies that use recycled materials as feedstock for manufacturing are eligible for incentives. While some of these jurisdictions have limited or no heavy industrial land, their participation in the Recycling Market Development Zone RMDZ could provide assistance for smaller cottage industries that also use recycled feedstock. Additionally, all jurisdictions will benefit from having local markets for their recycled materials.

The County of San Diego is acting as the lead agency for the current redesignation process, and prepared and certified an Addendum to the City of San Diego's 2004 Negative Declaration SCH 2004091023; Project No. 48148 to reflect minor technical changes or additions associated with this expansion. This action would include adoption of this Addendum.

The outreach and assistance provided through the RMDZ program are components of the City's good faith efforts to meet State-mandated solid waste diversion goals, which currently require all jurisdictions to divert at least 50% of their solid waste annually. The City implements a wide range of programs, ordinances, and related efforts to meet this mandate, divert recyclable materials from landfills, and maximize the capacity and lifespan of the Miramar Landfill. Examples include the mandatory recycling ordinance for residents, businesses and special events; the Construction and Demolition Debris Deposit Ordinance; and Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program. In addition, the State recently adopted a goal to have a statewide recycling rate of 75% by 2020, which will require the implementation of additional programs to divert more recyclable materials from landfills. The City Council also adopted a Zero Waste Objective in December 2013, with a goal of 75% diversion by 2020, and zero waste by 2040.

These current waste management practices provide an ample supply of feedstock for recycled product manufacturers, and conditions are favorable to the development of postconsumer waste material markets. The continued development of local infrastructure enhances the City's waste diversion and economic development efforts and reduces the need to export these materials outside of the region. The designation as a RMDZ is necessary to assist in attracting private sector recycling investments to the area. A key unique benefit of the RMDZ designation is that

recycled product manufacturers located within a RMDZ have access to the State's low-interest RMDZ loan program, which currently has a 4% interest rate.

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS: N/A

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CONTRACTING INFORMATION: N/A

PREVIOUS COUNCIL and/or COMMITTEE ACTION:

November 15, 1993 – City Council adopted Resolution R-282992 for the submittal of the application to develop this RMDZ.

November 8, 2004 – City Council adopted Resolution R-299780 for the submittal of the application for the redesignation of this RMDZ, and Resolution R-299781 certifying Negative Declaration SCH 2004091023; Project No. -48148.

This item will be heard at the meeting of the Environment Committee on November 12, 2014.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS: N/A

KEY STAKEHOLDERS AND PROJECTED IMPACTS: City of San Diego, City of San Diego businesses.

Greenhalgh, Darren
Originating Department

Deputy Chief/Chief Operating Officer

**ADDENDUM TO THE PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED
NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR
North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation
FOR PURPOSES OF UPDATING FOR
2014 North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation
January 31, 2014**

PURPOSE

This addendum to the previously adopted Negative Declaration (ND) has been prepared in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15164 to revise the previously adopted ND to accurately reflect the changes or additions to the project, changes in conditions under which the project is undertaken, or to add new information.

BACKGROUND ON THE PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Final ND for the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Redesignation Project, dated October 11, 2004, on file with the State Office of Planning and Research as State Clearinghouse Number 2004091023, was prepared and adopted by the City of San Diego City Council on November 8, 2004. The ND addressed redesignation or continuation of the RMDZ, a State loan program established by the California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), which provides economic incentives to businesses using post-consumer secondary materials from the waste stream as feedstock for manufacturing, therefore diverting solid waste material from the landfills. The program also provides technical assistance to businesses and marketing assistance to encourage re-use, development of recycled products, and waste reduction in San Diego County. The boundaries of North County RMDZ included the Cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Diego, San Marcos, Solana Beach, and Vista, and unincorporated areas within the County of San Diego.

The ND evaluated the environmental impacts that would result from approval to continue the State loan program for an additional 10 years until 2014. The adopted ND concluded that the project would not have any potentially significant effects of the environment.

ADDITIONS AND CHANGES TO THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The County of San Diego is proposing to redesignate or continue the RMDZ program for another 10 year period until 2024 and expand the zone to include the Cities of Encinitas and Santee, and the unincorporated areas of the County not previously included. The purpose for expanding the zone boundaries is to increase the area in which companies that use recycled materials as feedstock for manufacturing are eligible for RMDZ incentives. The proposed RMDZ program redesignation and zone expansion would not involve substantial changes in the magnitude of impacts identified in the adopted ND, dated October 11, 2004, and would not

create new potentially significant impacts that would require mitigation. This conclusion is based on the following analysis:

The intent of the RMDZ Loan Program is to help manufacturers increase their processing capabilities and create additional markets for recycled-content products. Expanding the zone will foster the creation of local markets for recyclables, increase business opportunities and jobs, and increase landfill diversion within the zone. The proposed RMDZ redesignation for an additional 10 years and expansion of the zone does not change zoning, land use patterns or planning, and would not result in any physical development or land use. Any project proposed as a result of incentives offered through the RMDZ would require land use review and approval from the government agency with jurisdiction and be subject to compliance with CEQA and applicable State and local planning and permitting requirements.

EXPLANATION OF THE DECISION NOT TO PREPARE A SUBSEQUENT OR SUPPLEMENTAL ND

The CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 through 15164 set forth the criteria for determining the appropriate environmental documentation, if any, to be completed when there is a pre-existing adopted Negative Declaration covering the project area.

Utilizing the results of an Environmental Review Update Checklist Form that has been prepared in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(e) to explain the rationale for determining whether any additional environmental documentation is needed for the subject discretionary action, the Department of Public Works provides the following findings pursuant to these criteria as required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15164(e):

CEQA Guidelines Section 15162(a) states that when an ND has been adopted for a project, no Subsequent or Supplemental ND shall be prepared for that project unless the lead agency determines, on the basis of substantial evidence in light of the whole public record, one of more of the following:

- 1. Substantial changes are proposed in the project which will require major revisions of the previously adopted ND due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects.**

Discussion:

The ND addressed redesignation or continuation of a State loan program established by the CalRecycle that provides economic incentives to businesses using post-consumer secondary materials from the waste stream as feedstock for manufacturing, therefore diverting solid waste material from the landfills. The program also provides technical assistance to businesses and marketing assistance to encourage re-use, development of recycled products, and waste reduction in San Diego County. The proposed redesignation and zone expansion will continue a program that has been in place for the

last 20 years and would not involve substantial changes in the magnitude of impacts identified in the adopted ND, dated October 11, 2004, and would not create new potentially significant impacts that would require mitigation. The proposed RMDZ redesignation for an additional 10 years and expansion of the zone does not change zoning, land use patterns or planning, and would not result in any physical development or land use. Any project proposed as a result of incentives offered through the RMDZ would require land use review and approval from the government agency with jurisdiction and be subject to compliance with CEQA and applicable State and local planning and permitting requirements.

- 2. Substantial changes occur with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken which will require major revisions of the previous ND due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects.**

Discussion:

The physical setting of the project site has not changed significantly since the previous ND was adopted in 2004. The proposed zone redesignation includes an expansion of the RMDZ boundary, however, the project does not change zoning, land use patterns or planning, and would not result in any physical development or land use. Any project proposed as a result of incentives offered through the RMDZ would require land use review and approval from the government agency with jurisdiction and be subject to compliance with CEQA and applicable State and local planning and permitting requirements. Therefore, there are no substantial changes with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken, which will require major revisions of the previously adopted ND.

- 3. New information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous ND was adopted, shows any of the following:**

- a. The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the previous ND;
or**

Discussion: No new information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the previous ND was adopted, shows that the project will have one or more significant effects not discussed in the ND. The project, as proposed, is consistent with the project evaluated in the previous ND and will not have any significant effects consistent with the conclusions in the previously adopted ND. The previously adopted ND concluded that the project would not have any potentially significant effects of the environment.

- b. Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous ND; or**

Discussion: The previously adopted ND concluded that the project would not have any potentially significant effects of the environment. The proposed project is the redesignation of the RMDZ for an additional 10 years and expanding the zone to include new areas within North San Diego County. The proposed project does not change zoning, land use patterns or planning, and would not result in any physical development or land use. Any project proposed as a result of incentives offered through the RMDZ would require land use review and approval from the government agency with jurisdiction and be subject to compliance with CEQA and applicable State and local planning and permitting requirements. Therefore the project change will not result in a significant effect previously examined that will be substantially more severe than shown in the previous ND.

- c. Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible, and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative; or**

Discussion: No new information or changes in the project design have resulted in mitigation measures or alternatives once found to be infeasible that are now feasible. The adopted ND concluded that the project would not have any potentially significant effects of the environment.

- d. Mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous ND would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure or alternative.**

Discussion: No mitigation measures or alternatives, which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous ND, have been identified that would substantially reduce a significant effect on the environment. The adopted ND concluded that the project would not have any potentially significant effects of the environment.

CONCLUSION: None of the above criteria triggered the preparation of a Subsequent ND or EIR pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 or 15164. Given this fact, this addendum to the previously adopted ND has been prepared in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164 to accurately reflect the present project, environmental conditions, or new information or to make minor technical changes



Land Development
Review Division
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Negative Declaration

Project No.: 48148
SCH No. 2004091023

SUBJECT: North San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation. City Council approval of a resolution to continue a State loan program designation that provides economic incentives to businesses using secondary materials from the waste stream as feedstock for manufacturing, and therefore to divert solid waste from landfills. The project area includes portions of the City of San Diego and unincorporated County of San Diego and the Cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Marcos, Solana Beach, and Vista. Applicant: City of San Diego Environmental Services Department.

- I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: See attached Initial Study.
- II. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING: See attached Initial Study.
- III. DETERMINATION:

The City of San Diego conducted an Initial Study which determined that the proposed project will not have a significant environmental effect and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report will not be required.

- IV. DOCUMENTATION:

The attached Initial Study documents the reasons to support the above Determination.

- V. MITIGATION, MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM:

None required.

- VI. PUBLIC REVIEW DISTRIBUTION:

Draft copies or notices of this Negative Declaration were distributed to:

City of San Diego

Carmel Valley Community Service Center (344A)

Councilmember Peters, District 1

Councilmember Maienschein, District 5

Councilmember Madaffer, District 7

Development Services Department

Economic Development Department, Enterprise Zone Program

Environmental Services Department (93A)

Local Enforcement Agency

Library Department (81)

State of California
 California Integrated Waste Management Board (35)
 State Clearinghouse (46a)

County of San Diego
 County of San Diego, Department of Public Works (70)
 County of San Diego, Planning Department

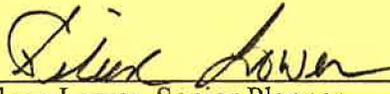
Other Cities
 City of Del Mar (96)
 City of Escondido (98)
 City of Poway (103)
 City of Solana Beach (105)
 City of Carlsbad
 City of Oceanside
 City of San Marcos
 City of Vista

Other Entities/Organizations
 Carmel Mountain Ranch Community Council (344)
 Carmel Valley Community Planning Board (350)
 Clairemont Chamber of Commerce (249)
 Clairemont Town Council (257)
 Commanding General MCAS Miramar (461)
 Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board (361)
 I Love A Clean San Diego, Inc.
 LAFCO (111)
 Navajo Community Planners (336)
 Miramar Ranch North Planning Committee (439)
 Mira Mesa Community Planning Group (310)
 Rancho Penasquitos Community Council (378)
 Rancho Bernardo Community Council (398)
 Sabre Springs Planning Group (406B)
 SANDAG (108)
 San Dieguito Planning Group (412)
 San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce (157)
 San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation
 San Pasqual/Lake Hodges Planning group (426)
 Scripps Ranch Community Planning Group (437)
 Scripps Ranch Community Service Center (442)
 Torrey Hills Community Planning Board (444A)
 Torrey Pines Community Planning Group (469)
 University City Community Planning Group (480)

VII. RESULTS OF PUBLIC REVIEW:

- () No comments were received during the public input period.
- (x) Comments were received but did not address the draft Negative Declaration finding or the accuracy/completeness of the Initial Study. No response is necessary. The letters are attached.
- () Comments addressing the findings of the draft Negative Declaration and/or accuracy or completeness of the Initial Study was received during the public input period. The letters and responses follow.

Copies of the draft Negative Declaration and any Initial Study material are available in the office of the Land Development Review Division for review, or for purchase at the cost of reproduction.



Eileen Lower, Senior Planner
Development Services Department

September 2, 2004
Date of Draft Report

October 11, 2004
Date of Final Report

Analyst: Philip Lizzi

Response

Comments Received



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Governor's Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse and Planning Unit



Arnold
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Governor

Jan Boel
Acting Director

October 5, 2004

Philip Lizzi
City of San Diego
1222 First Avenue, MS-501
San Diego, CA 92101

Subject: North County San Diego Recycling RMDZ
SCH#: 2004091023

Dear Philip Lizzi:

The State Clearinghouse submitted the above named Negative Declaration to selected state agencies for review. The review period closed on October 4, 2004, and no state agencies submitted comments by that date. This letter acknowledges that you have complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Please call the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process. If you have a question about the above-named project, please refer to the ten-digit State Clearinghouse number when contacting this office.

Sincerely,

Terry Roberts
Director, State Clearinghouse

1. Comment Noted. No Response Necessary.

Comments Received



County of San Diego

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JOHN L. RINGBART
DIRECTOR

10 September, 2004

Philip Lizzi
Environmental Planner
City of San Diego
Development Services Center
1222 First Ave. MS501
San Diego, CA 92101

Re: Project No. 48148 --Negative Declaration for North County San Diego Recycling market Development Zone.

Dear Mr. Lizzi:

Thank you for sending us the Public Notice of a Draft Negative Declaration for the North County San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone.

The Recycling Section and Environmental Services Section of the Department of Public Works have studied the Negative Declaration, and concur with the City of San Diego that there would be no significant effect from the establishment of the RMDZ. In terms of unincorporated county portions of the RMDZ, any recycling activities to be established would have to acquire the proper permits to operate, and any potential environmental impacts arising from those proposed projects would be assessed and mitigated at that time.

I thank you for requesting our opinion on the Negative Declaration.

Sincerely yours,

Wayne T. Williams, PhD
Planning Program Coordinator
14108

Julia Quinn
Environmental Planning Manager
Environmental Services
858 874 4054

Response

2. Comment Noted, No Response Necessary

City of San Diego
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT
Land Development Review Division
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**INITIAL STUDY
Project No. 48148**

SUBJECT: North San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation. City Council approval of a resolution to continue a State loan program designation that provides economic incentives to businesses using secondary materials from the waste stream as feedstock for manufacturing, and therefore to divert solid waste from landfills. The project area includes portions of the City of San Diego and unincorporated County of San Diego and the Cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Marcos, Solana Beach, and Vista. Applicant: City of San Diego, Environmental Services Department.

I. PURPOSE AND MAIN FEATURES:

The proposed project is the redesignation of the North San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ), a State loan program designed to encourage new and existing businesses to use post-consumer recycled content. California legislation created the RMDZ program to provide incentives to businesses that use secondary materials from the waste stream as feedstock for manufacturing, with the goal of diverting solid waste material from the State's landfills. The California Integrated Waste Management Board established RMDZs in 40 regions of the State of California.

There are two areas in San Diego County that have been designated as RMDZs: South San Diego in 1992 and North San Diego County in 1994. The RMDZs were designated for 10 years and the North San Diego RMDZ designation will expire November 15, 2004. The legislation allows each RMDZ to be redesignated. The North San Diego RMDZ has not changed in size since its original designation. (See figure 1).

Under the RMDZ program, qualifying companies can apply for below market, fixed rate and long term loans for up to 75% of the project's cost, not to exceed \$2 million. Loan proceeds can be used for machinery and equipment, working capital, real estate purchase (maximum of \$500,000), leasehold improvements and the refinancing of onerous debt that results in increased diversion. Qualifying companies include those that produce a recycled-content, value-added product, or otherwise increase demand for materials that are normally disposed of in a sanitary landfill.

II. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING:

The North San Diego County RMDZ constitutes a portion of the California Department of Commerce Region 9, and encompasses the North County portion of San Diego County, located approximately 30 miles north of downtown San Diego. The zone includes those communities in the City of San Diego that are generally north of Miramar Road, as well as the Cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Marcos, Solana Beach, and Vista. The County of San Diego is included as an applicant to allow the inclusion of unincorporated areas (Fallbrook, Rainbow, Ramona, and Valley Center, in which market development activities might occur) in the North San Diego County RMDZ.

III. ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS: See attached Initial Study checklist.

IV. DISCUSSION:

Land Use

The project is the redesignation of an area in which companies that use recycled materials as feedstock for manufacturing are eligible for incentives. The project does not change zoning, land use patterns or planning, and therefore no impacts to land use or planning would result. The diversion and reuse or remanufacturing of waste materials from landfills has positive environmental benefits because making products from recycled materials generally requires less energy than manufacture from virgin materials. The goal of reuse of materials may be achieved by siting new facilities within the RMDZ, or by modifying existing facilities. Any project funded by the program would require land use review and approval from the government agency with jurisdiction. Individual projects proposed as a result of the incentives offered through the RMDZ would be subject to compliance with CEQA and other State and local planning and permitting requirements.

V. RECOMMENDATION

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

- The proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION should be prepared.
- Although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measures described in Section IV above have been added to the project. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION should be prepared.
- The proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT should be required.

PROJECT ANALYST: Philip Lizzi

Attachments: Location Map (Figure 1)
Initial Study Checklist

NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE



Location Map

Environmental Analysis Section Project No. 48148
CITY OF SAN DIEGO · DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Figure

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Initial Study Checklist

Date: August 30, 2004

Project No.: 48148

Name of Project: North County SD RMDZ

III. ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The purpose of the Initial Study is to identify the potential for significant environmental impacts which could be associated with a project pursuant to Section 15063 of the State CEQA Guidelines. In addition, the Initial Study provides the lead agency with information which forms the basis for deciding whether to prepare an Environmental Impact Report, Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration. This Checklist provides a means to facilitate early environmental assessment. However, subsequent to this preliminary review, modifications to the project may mitigate adverse impacts. All answers of "yes" and "maybe" indicate that there is a potential for significant environmental impacts and these determinations are explained in Section IV of the Initial Study.

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
I. AESTHETICS / NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER – Will the proposal result in:			
A. The obstruction of any vista or scenic view from a public viewing area? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. The creation of a negative aesthetic site or project? <u>See I A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Project bulk, scale, materials, or style which would be incompatible with surrounding development? <u>See I A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D. Substantial alteration to the existing character of the area? <u>See I A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E. The loss of any distinctive or landmark tree(s), or a stand of mature trees? <u>See I A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
F. Substantial change in topography or ground surface relief features?	—	—	<u>X</u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>See I A</u>			
G. The loss, covering or modification of any unique geologic or physical features such as a natural canyon, sandstone bluff, rock outcrop, or hillside with a slope in excess of 25 percent? <u>See I A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
H. Substantial light or glare? <u>See I A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
I. Substantial shading of other properties? <u>See I A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
II. AGRICULTURE RESOURCES / NATURAL RESOURCES / MINERAL RESOURCES – Would the proposal result in:			
A. The loss of availability of a known mineral resource (e.g., sand or gravel) that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. The conversion of agricultural land to nonagricultural use or impairment of the agricultural productivity of agricultural land? <u>See II A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
III. AIR QUALITY – Would the proposal:			
A. Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? <u>See III A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations? <u>See III A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
D. Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? <u>See III A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E. Exceed 100 pounds per day of Particulate Matter 10 (dust)? <u>See III A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
F. Alter air movement in the area of the project? <u>See III A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
G. Cause a substantial alteration in moisture, or temperature, or any change in climate, either locally or regionally? <u>See III A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
 IV. BIOLOGY – Would the proposal result in:			
A. A reduction in the number of any unique, rare, endangered, sensitive, or fully protected species of plants or animals? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. A substantial change in the diversity of any species of animals or plants? <u>See IV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Introduction of invasive species of plants into the area? <u>See IV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D. Interference with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors? <u>See IV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E. An impact to a sensitive habitat, including, but not limited to streamside vegetation, aquatic, riparian, oak woodland, coastal sage scrub or chaparral? <u>See IV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
F. An impact on City, State, or federally regulated wetlands (including, but not limited to, coastal			

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
<p>salt marsh, vernal pool, lagoon, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption or other means? <u>See IV A.</u></p>	—	—	<u>X</u>
<p>G. Conflict with the provisions of the City’s Multiple Species Conservation Program Subarea Plan or other approved local, regional or state habitat conservation plan? <u>See IV A.</u></p>	—	—	<u>X</u>
<p>V. ENERGY – Would the proposal:</p>			
<p>A. Result in the use of excessive amounts of fuel or energy (e.g. natural gas)? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u></p>	—	—	<u>X</u>
<p>B. Result in the use of excessive amounts of power? <u>See V A.</u></p>	—	—	<u>X</u>
<p>VI. GEOLOGY/SOILS – Would the proposal:</p>			
<p>A. Expose people or property to geologic hazards such as earthquakes, landslides, mudslides, ground failure, or similar hazards? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u></p>	—	—	<u>X</u>
<p>B. Result in a substantial increase in wind or water erosion of soils, either on or off the site? <u>See VI A.</u></p>	—	—	<u>X</u>
<p>C. Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse? <u>See VI A.</u></p>	—	—	<u>X</u>
<p>VII. HISTORICAL RESOURCES – Would the proposal result in:</p>			
<p>A. Alteration of or the destruction of a prehistoric or historic archaeological site? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u></p>	—	—	<u>X</u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
B. Adverse physical or aesthetic effects to a prehistoric or historic building, structure, object, or site? <u>See VII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Adverse physical or aesthetic effects to an architecturally significant building, structure, or object? <u>See VII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D. Any impact to existing religious or sacred uses within the potential impact area? <u>See VII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E. The disturbance of any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries? <u>See VII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
VIII. HUMAN HEALTH / PUBLIC SAFETY / HAZARDOUS MATERIALS: Would the proposal:			
A. Create any known health hazard (excluding mental health)? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. Expose people or the environment to a significant hazard through the routine transport, use or disposal of hazardous materials? <u>See VIII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Create a future risk of an explosion or the release of hazardous substances (including but not limited to gas, oil, pesticides, chemicals, radiation, or explosives)? <u>See VIII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D. Impair implementation of, or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan? <u>See VIII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E. Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, create a significant hazard to the public or environment? <u>See VIII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>

		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
F.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment? <u>See VIII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
IX.	HYDROLOGY/WATER QUALITY – Would the proposal result in:			
A.	An increase in pollutant discharges, including down stream sedimentation, to receiving waters during or following construction? Consider water quality parameters such as temperature dissolved oxygen, turbidity and other typical storm water pollutants. <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B.	An increase in impervious surfaces and associated increased runoff? <u>See IX A.</u>			
C.	Substantial alteration to on- and off-site drainage patterns due to changes in runoff flow rates or volumes? <u>See IX A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D.	Discharge of identified pollutants to an already impaired water body (as listed on the Clean Water Act Section 303(b) list)? <u>See IX A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E.	A potentially significant adverse impact on ground water quality? <u>See IX A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
F.	Cause or contribute to an exceedance of applicable surface or groundwater receiving water quality objectives or degradation of beneficial uses? <u>See IX A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
X.	LAND USE – Would the proposal result in:			
A.	A land use which is inconsistent with the adopted community plan land use designation for the site or conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over a project?	—	—	<u>X</u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>The project would be consistent with City zoning and Community Plan designations.</u>			
B. A conflict with the goals, objectives and recommendations of the community plan in which it is located? <u>See X A.</u>	-	-	<u>X</u>
C. A conflict with adopted environmental plans, including applicable habitat conservation plans adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect for the area? <u>Redesignation of the zone would have no effect on adapted habitat conservation plans.</u>	-	-	<u>X</u>
D. Physically divide an established community? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	-	-	<u>X</u>
E. Land uses which are not compatible with aircraft accident potential as defined by an adopted airport Comprehensive Land Use Plan? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	-	-	<u>X</u>
XI. NOISE – Would the proposal result in:			
A. A significant increase in the existing ambient noise levels? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	-	-	<u>X</u>
B. Exposure of people to noise levels which exceed the City's adopted noise ordinance? <u>See XI A.</u>	-	-	<u>X</u>
C. Exposure of people to current or future transportation noise levels which exceed standards established in the Transportation Element of the General Plan or an adopted airport Comprehensive Land Use Plan? <u>See XI A.</u>	-	-	<u>X</u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
XII. PALEONTOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Would the proposal impact a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
XIII. POPULATION AND HOUSING – Would the proposal:			
A. Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? <u>See XIII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Alter the planned location, distribution, density or growth rate of the population of an area? <u>See XIII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES – Would the proposal have an effect upon, or result in a need for new or altered governmental services in any of the following areas:			
A. Fire protection? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. Police protection? <u>See XIV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Schools? <u>See XIV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D. Parks or other recreational facilities? <u>See XIV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E. Maintenance of public facilities, including roads?	—	—	<u>X</u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>See XIV A.</u>			
F. Other governmental services? <u>See XIV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
 XV. RECREATIONAL RESOURCES – Would the proposal result in:			
A. Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment? <u>See XV A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
 XVI. TRANSPORTATION/CIRCULATION – Would the proposal result in:			
A. Traffic generation in excess of specific/community plan allocation? <u>The proposed project would not generate any traffic.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. An increase in projected traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system? <u>See XVI A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. An increased demand for off-site parking? <u>The project would not result in any physical development.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D. Effects on existing parking? <u>See XVI C.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E. Substantial impact upon existing or planned transportation systems? <u>See XVI C.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
F. Alterations to present circulation movements including effects on existing public access to beaches, parks, or other open space areas? <u>See XVI C.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
G. Increase in traffic hazards for motor vehicles, bicyclists or pedestrians due to a proposed, non-standard design feature (e.g., poor sight distance or driveway onto an access-restricted roadway)? <u>See XVI C.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
H. A conflict with adopted policies, plans or programs supporting alternative transportation models (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)? <u>The project does not conflict with any alternate transportation measures. No development is proposed.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
XVII. UTILITIES – Would the proposal result in a need for new systems, or require substantial alterations to existing utilities, including:			
A. Natural gas? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. Communications systems? <u>See XVII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Water? <u>See XVII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D. Sewer? <u>See XVII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
E. Storm water drainage? <u>See XVII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
F. Solid waste disposal? <u>The project would not result in any physical development. A goal of this project is to divert recyclable materials from the City's existing landfill.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
XVIII. WATER CONSERVATION – Would the proposal result in:			

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Maybe</u>	<u>No</u>
A. Use of excessive amounts of water? <u>The project would not result in any physical development or land use.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. Landscaping which is predominantly non-drought resistant vegetation? <u>See XVIII A.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>

XIX. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE:

A. Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory? <u>No such impacts have been identified. No development is proposed.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
B. Does the project have the potential to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals? (A short-term impact on the environment is one which occurs in a relatively brief, definitive period of time while long-term impacts would endure well into the future.) <u>No such impacts have been identified.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
C. Does the project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (A project may impact on two or more separate resources where the impact on each resource is relatively small, but where the effect of the total of those impacts on the environment is significant.) <u>No such impacts have been identified.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>
D. Does the project have environmental effects which would cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly? <u>No such impacts have been identified.</u>	—	—	<u>X</u>

INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST

REFERENCES

I. Aesthetics / Neighborhood Character

- City of San Diego Progress Guide and General Plan.
- Community Plan.
- Local Coastal Plan.

II. Agricultural Resources / Natural Resources / Mineral Resources

- City of San Diego Progress Guide and General Plan.
- U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Survey - San Diego Area, California, Part I and II, 1973.
- California Department of Conservation - Division of Mines and Geology, Mineral Land Classification.
- Division of Mines and Geology, Special Report 153 - Significant Resources Maps.
- Site Specific Report: _____.

III. Air

- California Clean Air Act Guidelines (Indirect Source Control Programs) 1990.
- Regional Air Quality Strategies (RAQS) - APCD.
- Site Specific Report: _____.

IV. Biology

- City of San Diego, Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP), Subarea Plan, 1997
- City of San Diego, MSCP, "Vegetation Communities with Sensitive Species and Vernal Pools" maps, 1996.
- City of San Diego, MSCP, "Multiple Habitat Planning Area" maps, 1997.

- Community Plan - Resource Element.
- California Department of Fish and Game, California Natural Diversity Database, "State and Federally-listed Endangered, Threatened, and Rare Plants of California," January 2001.
- California Department of Fish & Game, California Natural Diversity Database, "State and Federally-listed Endangered and Threatened Animals of California," January 2001.
- City of San Diego Land Development Code Biology Guidelines.
- Site Specific Report:_____.

V. Energy

— _____.

VI. Geology/Soils

- City of San Diego Seismic Safety Study.
- U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Survey - San Diego Area, California, Part I and II, December 1973 and Part III, 1975.
- Site Specific Report:_____.

VII. Historical Resources

- City of San Diego Historical Resources Guidelines.
- City of San Diego Archaeology Library.
- Historical Resources Board List.
- Community Historical Survey:
- Site Specific Report:

VIII. Human Health / Public Safety / Hazardous Materials

- X San Diego County Hazardous Materials Environmental Assessment Listing, 2004.

- San Diego County Hazardous Materials Management Division
- FAA Determination
- State Assessment and Mitigation, Unauthorized Release Listing, Public Use Authorized 1995.
- Airport Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
- Site Specific Report: _____.

IX. Hydrology/Water Quality

- Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM).
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), National Flood Insurance Program - Flood Boundary and Floodway Map.
- Clean Water Act Section 303(b) list, dated July 2002, http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/tmdl/303d_lists.html).

X. Land Use

- City of San Diego Progress Guide and General Plan.
- Community Plan.
- Airport Comprehensive Land Use Plan
- City of San Diego Zoning Maps
- FAA Determination

XI. Noise

- Community Plan
- San Diego International Airport - Lindbergh Field CNEL Maps.
- Brown Field Airport Master Plan CNEL Maps.
- Montgomery Field CNEL Maps.

- San Diego Association of Governments - San Diego Regional Average Weekday Traffic Volumes.
- San Diego Metropolitan Area Average Weekday Traffic Volume Maps, SANDAG.
- City of San Diego Progress Guide and General Plan.
- Site Specific Report: _____.

XII. Paleontological Resources

- City of San Diego Paleontological Guidelines.
- Demere, Thomas A., and Stephen L. Walsh, "Paleontological Resources City of San Diego," Department of Paleontology San Diego Natural History Museum, 1996.
- Kennedy, Michael P., and Gary L. Peterson, "Geology of the San Diego Metropolitan Area, California. Del Mar, La Jolla, Point Loma, La Mesa, Poway, and SW 1/4 Escondido 7 1/2 Minute Quadrangles," California Division of Mines and Geology Bulletin 200, Sacramento, 1975.
- Kennedy, Michael P., and Siang S. Tan, "Geology of National City, Imperial Beach and Otay Mesa Quadrangles, Southern San Diego Metropolitan Area, California," Map Sheet 29, 1977.
- Site Specific Report: _____.

XIII. Population / Housing

- City of San Diego Progress Guide and General Plan.
- Community Plan.
- Series 8 Population Forecasts, SANDAG.
- Other: _____.

XIV. Public Services

- City of San Diego Progress Guide and General Plan.
- Community Plan.

XV. Recreational Resources

- City of San Diego Progress Guide and General Plan.
- Community Plan.
- Department of Park and Recreation
- City of San Diego - San Diego Regional Bicycling Map
- Additional Resources:_____.

XVI. Transportation / Circulation

- City of San Diego Progress Guide and General Plan.
- Community Plan.
- San Diego Metropolitan Area Average Weekday Traffic Volume Maps, SANDAG.
- San Diego Region Weekday Traffic Volumes, SANDAG.
- Site Specific Report:_____.

XVII. Utilities

- _____.

XVIII. Water Conservation

- Sunset Magazine, New Western Garden Book. Rev. ed. Menlo Park, CA: Sunset Magazine.

RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE

Redesignation Application

This application is designed for an existing Recycling Market Development Zone (Zone) that is requesting renewal of a current Zone designation and/or requesting a **change in boundaries** of the Zone.

Please read the Application Instructions before completing the application (see Attachment 1). Guidance is also provided in the [CEQA toolkit](#) to assist in completing CEQA requirements for Zone Renewal and Zone boundary change.

Zone designations are approved for a term of 10 years. RMDZs must reapply for another 10 year designation term prior to the expiration of the 10-year term. If the Zone applies for a change in boundaries before its 10 year renewal anniversary, the clock will reset and a new 10 year clock will be established from the approval date of the change in boundaries.

In completing this application, the Zone Administrator should evaluate if there are any changes to the information requested based on the most recent Zone Annual Report, information contained in the Zone Information Reporting System (ZIRS) database, or previously submitted Zone designation or redesignation applications. If changes or updates are identified, please include information in the boxes provided below or attach additional documents to this application, if needed, with revised information to be included in the review. If you need assistance in determining, what information has been reported to CalRecycle to date, please contact your [Zone Liaison](#).

ALL DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING THE APPLICATION, CAN BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY. THE APPLICATION COVERSHEET WITH SIGNATURE MUST BE SUBMITTED IN HARD COPY.

Application Coversheet

Check the box or boxes indicating the type(s) of redesignation requested:

- Renewal of Designation
(Please complete coversheet, certification, and Sections 1, 2 and 4 below)
- Zone boundary change (Please indicate which type):
- Expansion
 - Reduction
- (Please complete coversheet, certification, Section 1, appropriate subsection(s) under Section 3, and Section 4 below)

If you are completing both a Renewal of Designation and requesting a Change in Boundaries, please complete section, 1, 2, 3 (choose appropriate subsection), and 4.

Existing Zone Name: North San Diego County	Proposed New Name (if applicable): N/A
Primary Contact – Zone Administrator (Name & Title): Michael Wonsidler, Program Coordinator	
Mailing Address: 5510 Overland Ave, Suite 210, MS 0350	
City & Zip Code: San Diego 92123	County/ies covered: San Diego
Phone: 858-694-2465	Fax: 858-505-6356
E-mail Address: Michael.Wonsidler@sdcounty.ca.gov	

Certification:

I declare, under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that all information submitted for CalRecycle's consideration for redesignation as a Recycling Market Development Zone is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of person authorized by the Resolution: _____ Date: _____

Type or print name and title: Richard Crompton, Director of Public Works

Section 1: Application Form

For all Redesignation types (renewals and/or change in boundaries), please complete Section 1. If there have not been any changes to the Zone information since the Zone designation or latest redesignation application then you may indicate Not Applicable (N/A) in each box.” or “... then you may indicate N/A in each box. (N /A = Not Applicable)”

1. Briefly describe any changes to the Zone Mission Statement (if no changes, indicate N/A):
N/A

2. Describe any changes to how the Zone will address the four statewide objectives (if no changes, indicate N/A):

The proposed redesignation and expansion of the North San Diego County RMDZ will assist the region to:

Extend Landfill Capacity: Miramar, Otay and Sycamore Landfills are the three largest landfills in San Diego County. Through waste reduction, recycling and remanufacturing activities within the North San Diego RMDZ, these landfills may extend their expected length of operation. The Zone will work to increase the demand for recyclables; build the demand for these materials locally, which will generated new jobs and revenue to the region.

Encourage Innovative and Emerging Technologies to Address Priority Materials: Infrastructure for organic materials is weak within this region. The Zone partners have already begun discussions on how to increase organic material market options and looking for highest and best uses of this material. Regional collaboration with the Southern Border Region RMDZ will provide greater opportunities for marketing materials as well as providing manufacturing options.

Distribute Zones Throughout the State: The expansion of the North San Diego Zone will expand the size of the zone and include additional jurisdictions.

Stimulate Regional Markets: Expanding the zone will allow existing recycling operations not previously included in the zone to participate in the RMDZ program. Several facilities have expressed interest in the program and financing options may help to assist these businesses with expansions and ability to increase the amount of materials processed and available for purchase in the region.

3. Describe any changes to the Zone’s targeted and regional approach (if no changes, indicate N/A):

The zone will now encompass a larger area in the region. Staff will work with partner jurisdiction economic development personnel to assure that RMDZ information is part of their marketing strategies. Working with partner jurisdictions is vital to outreach to the business community.

4. Briefly describe any changes to the Zone’s Recycling Marketing Development Plan resulting from the Renewal or Zone Expansion, e.g., Goals and Objectives, marketing activities, locating feedstock, financial support and/or incentives for businesses, etc. If there are no changes, then indicate N/A. If there are changes, please keep it brief and you may use bullets:

Program staff will work with local resources such as professional and trade organizations to inform targeted industries about the opportunities afforded by the RMDZ program. Another strategy will be to work with the local chambers of commerce to include information about this program in their literature while attending regional trade shows and meetings.

<p>Person to person connections are also important as we will be outreaching to the community through business visits and attending business group meetings.</p>
<p>5. Describe any changes to how you will measure and evaluate the RMDZ Recycling Market Development Plan (if no changes, indicate N/A): N/A</p>
<p>6. Briefly describe any changes to the Zone budget, administration, and resources (if no changes, indicate N/A): N/A</p>
<p>7. Please indicate if there have been any changes to multi-jurisdictional agreements (e.g., Joint Powers Authority agreements) that pertain to the administration of the Zone. Please provide copies of agreement(s) if there have been changes or if CalRecycle does not currently have a copy of the agreement(s) on file. N/A</p>
<p>8. Renewal of commitment to Environmental Justice: (Government Code section 65040.12(e) and Public Resources code Section 71110(a)) The Lead Agency agrees to administer the RMDZ program in a manner that seeks to insure the fair treatment of all races, cultures, and incomes, including but not limited to soliciting public participation in all communities within the RMDZ, including minority and low-income populations.</p>

Section 2: Zone Renewals

a. For **Zone Renewals**, please include the following information:

<p>i. For Zone Renewals, please provide a brief description as to why redesignation is sought: North San Diego County RMDZ seeks redesignation to continue the important work of offering resources to businesses that create a viable product out of discarded materials that would otherwise be disposed in a landfill. The proposed redesignation will include additional jurisdictions which were previously excluded, allow continued expansion of recycling infrastructure and offer cost-effective waste management options for the region. With the new statewide 75% recycling goal, staff believes that it is necessary to expand local and statewide recycling businesses that have the capacity to process organic materials, carpet, lumber, plastics and others which represent a large percentage of our remaining landfill disposal.</p>
<p>ii. For Zone Renewals that do not result in a change to the boundaries of the Zone, please confirm that updates are not needed to the following documents compared to documents submitted as part of the original designation or subsequent redesignations.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> No changes to the redesignation area’s boundaries as identified on a street map. <input type="checkbox"/> No changes to the General Zoning and Land Use maps of the redesignation area.</p>

Section 3: Change in Boundaries

DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT WITH APPLICATION FOR ZONE CHANGES IN BOUNDARIES, INCLUDING EXPANSION, REDUCTION. NOTE: MAPS CAN BE SENT ELECTRONICALLY.

- ✓ A street map identifying the streets that mark the boundaries of the redesignation area on a street map, and

- ✓ Copies of the existing general zoning and land use maps for the proposed redesignation area and the area immediately surrounding it. Clear identification of the boundaries of the proposed changes to the Zone should be on the maps.

- a. For **Zone Expansions**, which covers the addition of a jurisdiction or jurisdictions to an existing Zone's boundaries, please include the following information:

i. For Zone Expansions, please provide a description of the proposed change in Zone boundaries:

This application for redesignation includes expanding the boundaries of the zone to include additional jurisdictions in north San Diego County: Cities of Santee, Encinitas, and northern and eastern portions of the unincorporated areas of the County that were not previously included. The red outlined area below illustrates the new zone boundaries.

ii. Please provide a brief justification for the Zone expansion, including how the expansion will complement the existing Zone and will create additional markets for recyclable materials:

The purpose for expanding the zone boundaries is to increase the available area in which companies that use recycled materials as feedstock for manufacturing are eligible for RMDZ incentives. While some of these jurisdictions have limited or no heavy industrial land, their participation in the zone could provide assistance for smaller cottage industries that also use recycled feedstock. Creating a larger area for materials exchange opportunities will also support niche recycling markets that will benefit the region overall, expand commerce and green job creation, as well as develop creative entrepreneurship.

DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT WITH APPLICATION FOR ZONE EXPANSION.

- ✓ Letters of commitment and support for the new Zone area from jurisdictional entities having a role to play in implementing the expanded Zone's Market Development Plan.

- b. For **Zone Reductions**, which covers the deletion of a jurisdiction or jurisdictions from an existing Zone's boundaries, please include the following information:

- i. For **Zone Reductions** please provide a description of the proposed change in Zone boundaries including the reason the Zone is being reduced in size:

SECTION 4: CEQA

CEQA Toolkit

As part of this process for redesignation, a local jurisdiction must complete all CEQA requirements. To assist in this, CalRecycle has developed an extensive toolkit that is available on [SharePoint](#) that consists of guidance and resolution/form templates (see 3 below). If the Zone has determined that the redesignation application does not constitute a project, the resolution templates are provided (see 1 and 2 below). There are several actions that must be taken and documents that must be completed, noticed, and filed to comply with CEQA and that should be submitted with your application, which include one of the following:

1. Lead agency determination that its redesignation application does not constitute a "project" under CEQA or is otherwise exempted. If the Lead agency has decided to file a Notice of Exemption

(NOE) with the appropriate county clerk(s) then a copy of the NOE will satisfy this requirement. The following should be provided with the application:

- a) Lead Agency's NOE or other evidence of compliance with CEQA, and
 - b) Resolutions for the lead agency [approving Redesignation that includes changes in Zone boundaries](#) (Renewal and Expansion) or approving the [Redesignation \(Renewal\) of the Zone](#).
 - c) Resolutions for any participating jurisdictions* [approving Redesignation that includes changes in Zone boundaries](#) (Renewal and Expansion) or approving the [Redesignation \(Renewal\) of the Zone](#).
2. Lead agency determination that its redesignation application does not constitute a "project" under CEQA or is otherwise exempted. If the Lead agency chooses not to submit a NOE, then the Lead Agency must submit a letter with the application stating that the Lead Agency has consulted with legal counsel (or followed whatever its local procedures require) and has determined that the redesignation is exempt from CEQA and is choosing not to file a NOE. The letter should briefly explain the basis for this determination and be signed by the appropriate authority. In addition, the following must be submitted with the application:
- a) Lead agency's letter stating that it has consulted with legal counsel (or followed whatever its local procedures require) and has determined that the redesignation is exempt from CEQA and is choosing not to file a NOE. The letter should briefly explain the basis for this determination and be signed by the appropriate authority.
 - b) Resolutions for the lead agency [approving Redesignation that includes changes in Zone boundaries](#) (Renewal and Expansion) or approving the [Redesignation \(Renewal\) of the Zone](#).
 - c) Resolutions for any participating jurisdictions* [approving Redesignation that includes changes in Zone boundaries](#) (Renewal and Expansion) or approving the [Redesignation \(Renewal\) of the Zone](#).
3. Lead agency determination that the project will not cause any significant environmental effects and the lead agency has filed a Notice of Determination (NOD) with the appropriate county clerk(s) and the State Clearinghouse. Submit the following with the application:
- a) Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration adopted by the lead agency together with [Initial Study](#) (sometimes in the form of a [checklist](#)),
 - b) Resolution from the lead agency adopting the [Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration](#) and resolutions from the lead agency and any [participating jurisdictions*](#) [approving changes in Zone boundaries](#) (if applicable) and approving the [Redesignation of the Zone](#), and
 - c) Notice of Determination ([NOD](#)) as filed by the lead agency.
4. Lead agency determination that the CEQA documentation submitted with the previous application meets the requirements of CEQA. Submit the following with the application:
- a) Previous Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration or EIR,
 - b) Resolution from the lead agency adopting the previously-submitted environmental document and resolutions from the lead agency and any participating jurisdictions approving the changes in Zone boundaries (if applicable) and approving the Redesignation of the Zone (Note: You can use the Resolution templates in 3 above and include that you are using the Neg Dec from XX time, etc.), and
 - c) Notice of Determination (NOD) as filed by the lead agency.

5. In the event redesignation requires the preparation and certification of an EIR, submit the following:
 - a) EIR,
 - b) Resolution from the lead agency certifying the EIR and resolutions from the applying agency and any [participating jurisdictions](#)*approving the [Redesignation of the Zone](#), and
 - c) Notice of Determination filed with the appropriate county clerk(s) and the State Clearinghouse.

*Note: If a Zone is part of a JPA and/or Regional Agency, than your Zone Liaison can coordinate with our Legal staff who can review the JPA to determine if individual jurisdiction resolutions, as noted above, are needed or not.

ATTACHMENT 1
APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The following explains how to complete this application including the level of detail needed for narrative responses. This application is for existing Zones going through the renewal process or changing areas of the Zone. The application requests a minimal amount of information as required by regulation, but applicants should provide additional detail as needed to fulfill local requirements or outline changes to Zone activities not already documented through CalRecycle reporting systems.

Please note that the application, CEQA documents and any supporting materials, except the Cover Sheet, may be submitted electronically in lieu of hard copy to the [CalRecycle Zone Liaison](#).

Note: The Cover Sheet(s) with original signature(s) must be submitted in hard copy to the address below—electronic signatures will not be accepted.

If the ZA cannot provide needed documentation electronically, applications can also be delivered or mailed to CalRecycle at:

CalRecycle
Local Assistance and Market Development
Attention: [CalRecycle Zone Liaison](#)
1001 I Street (P.O. Box 4025)
Sacramento, CA 95812

APPLICATION COVERSHEET

Applicant: Provide the name of the agency, department, organization, or entity applying for Zone Redesignation. If the Zone is seeking a name change based on changes in membership, please include proposed new Zone name.

Mailing Address: Provide the complete mailing address for the agency, department, organization, or entity that serves as primary Zone contact (in most cases the Zone Administrator). Include the county in which the Zone will be located. If multiple counties are included in the Zone boundaries, list all counties covered.

Primary Contact: Make sure that the person identified as the Zone Administrator is the contact person for the Lead Agency. Remember to include phone and fax numbers, as well as e-mail addresses.

Certification: This is your acknowledgement that the information you provide is accurate to the best of your knowledge.

Note: The Coversheet(s) with original signature(s) must be submitted in hard copy to the address above—electronic signatures will not be accepted.

Section 1: Background

Please review the following components to determine if changes are needed based on Zone Renewal and/or Changes in Zone Boundaries. If no changes are noted based on information transmitted to

CalRecycle through previous review cycles, Zone Annual Reports, or the Zone Information Reporting System, please indicate N/A. Please keep changes brief, e.g., use bullets, etc.

1. *Zone Mission Statement:* The Zone mission statement should include -

- The purpose of the Zone
- The Zone's primary stakeholders
- How the Zone will help these stakeholders
- Products and services offered

Provide brief update if changes are needed. If no changes, indicate N/A.

2. *Statewide Objectives:* There are four statewide recycling market development objectives identified in PRC Section 17909.

Objective 1: Extend Landfill Capacity.

Objective 2: Encourage Innovative and Emerging Technologies to Address Priority Materials.

Objective 3: Distribute Zones throughout the State.

Objective 4: Stimulate Regional Markets.

Please indicate if there are any changes to how the Zone will address the Statewide Objectives based on the redesignation sought. If no changes, indicate N/A.

3. *Zone's targeted and regional approach:* Please indicate briefly if there are any changes in available waste types and recycling processing and/or collection infrastructure at the local or regional level that would influence the materials targeted by the Zone. If no changes, indicate N/A.

4. *Zone's Recycling Market Development Plan:* The Zone's Recycling Market Development Plan should be current since the most recent Annual Report in the Zone Information Reporting System (ZIRS). However, for renewals this space can be used to briefly summarize any planned activities and tasks that are not already reported in ZIRS that will promote manufacturing using recycled feedstock, will attract manufacturing businesses, and will retain existing manufacturing businesses, especially in a depressed economic climate. If no changes, indicate N/A.

In the case of a Zone Expansion, please briefly describe any changes in the Zone's Recycling Market Development plan, e.g., changes in the plan's Goals and Objectives, marketing activities, locating feedstock, financial support and/or incentives for businesses, etc. If no changes, indicate N/A.

Please note that CalRecycle has developed an optional tool for Zone Administrators to use to acquire more information about potential new member jurisdictions. The [Zone Administrator Guide on New Members](#) is a questionnaire that can be used to determine more information about infrastructure, financial and non-financial incentives, and feedstock sourcing in jurisdictions that are seeking to be part of a Zone. Having more information about these resources will assist the Zone Administrator in future efforts to promote manufacturing throughout the Zone area and could assist in the evaluation to determine if changes need to be made to the Zone's Recycling Market Development Plan.

5. *Zone Evaluation of Recycling Market Development Plan and Metrics:* Evaluation measures and metrics should be current since the most recent Annual Report in the Zone Information Reporting System

(ZIRS). However, this space can be used to summarize any changes to evaluation and/or metrics that will be implemented to evaluate program specific activities, outputs, and outcomes compared to baseline information. If no changes, indicate N/A.

6. *Zone Budget, Administration, and other resources:* Existing zones should consider how renewal and/or expansion might require budget changes, changes in funding, expenditure of funds, etc. Information that has previously been provided to CalRecycle includes a staffing chart with information about the staff, the percent of time devoted to Zone administration, the staff's responsibilities, and staff experience. For Zone Expansions, additional information may be needed to briefly describe how the Zone administration will coordinate with all members. If no changes, indicate N/A.
7. *Multi-Jurisdictional Agreements:* If there are any multi-jurisdictional agreements pertaining to the administration of the Zone, please summarize changes to the agreements that have been made since the last renewal and provide copies of the agreements. If no agreements or no changes to existing agreements, please indicate N/A.
8. *Renewal of commitment to Environmental Justice:* [CalRecycle Regulations \(Title 14 California Code of Regulations Section 17914\)](#) require all Redesignations to include a statement demonstrating the Zone's commitment to environmental justice and to protecting the environment and public health and safety in a manner that does not unfairly affect any low-income and minority populations. (See also [Government Code section 65040.12\(e\)](#) and [Public Resources code Section 71110\(a\)](#)) *Note: We have inserted the following statement into the application. Before making any changes please contact your Zone Liaison.*

"The Lead Agency agrees to administer the RMDZ program in a manner that seeks to insure the fair treatment of all races, cultures, and incomes, including but not limited to soliciting public participation in all communities within the RMDZ, including minority and low income populations."

Section 2: Zone Renewals

Please note that Zone Renewals are approved for a term of 10 years.

Describe why Zone is seeking renewal.

If there are no changes to Zone boundaries (i.e. the most recently submitted Zone boundaries, General Zoning, and Land Use maps are accurate), please check the boxes indicated. If requesting changes to Zone boundaries, please refer to Section 3 of the Application to describe changes in Zone boundaries.

Please work with the Zone Liaison assigned to the Zone if you need additional information about supplemental documents requested as part of a Zone Renewal.

Section 3: Zone boundary change

For all redesignations that will result in a change in the area covered by the Zone, please submit a street map identifying the streets that mark the boundaries of the redesignation area on a street map, and copies of the existing general zoning and land use maps for the proposed redesignation area and the area immediately surrounding it. Clear identification of the boundaries of the proposed changes to the Zone should be on the maps.

a. Zone Expansions

If adding multiple counties to the Zone, list all proposed new member cities and/or counties.

Justification for adding new jurisdictions to the Zone could include a discussion as to how new jurisdictions

- Have high potential to target existing manufacturing businesses to include more recovered materials and/or to assist them in staying viable, to help compensate for the current economic conditions; and;
- Offer high potential to target new businesses to use regionally available commodities.

Letters of commitment and support: Provide any letters of support you have received to support statements about in-kind support, working with other organizations, government entities, etc.

Please work with the Zone Liaison assigned to the Zone if you need additional assistance developing information about proposed new member jurisdictions as requested for a Zone Expansion.

b. Zone Reductions

Please describe changes to Zone boundaries and why the change is being sought.

Please work with your Zone Liaison if you need additional information about supplemental documents requested as part of a Zone Reduction.

Section 4: CEQA

Complete the following components for Zone Renewals and/or Zone boundary change.

As part of this process for redesignation, a local jurisdiction must complete all CEQA requirements. To assist in this, CalRecycle has developed an extensive toolkit that is available on [SharePoint](#). This toolkit will guide you through the CEQA procedure for Zone redesignation, including change in boundaries, and provides templates for each step of the process. Not only is this toolkit a simple step-by-step guide, CalRecycle staff will also assist you if you need any help along the way.

Note: The Notice of Determination must be filed with the County Clerk and the [State Clearinghouse](#) prior to submitting your documentation. Please refer to the [CEQA Toolkit](#) for additional guidance.



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

LAND USE AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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DATE: October 29, 2014

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TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: ADOPT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE REDESIGNATION OF THE NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE TO RENEW THE ZONE AND EXPAND ITS BONDARIES (DISTRICTS: 2,3,5)

Overview

The County of San Diego working with other local agencies formed the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone. The Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Program is administered by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle). The RMDZ Program encourages recycling and reuse of materials by providing low cost loans and other incentives to businesses located in established zones. The County serves as the Zone Administrator for the North County RMDZ and is responsible for submitting redesignation applications to renew the zone or change its boundaries. The County will obtain the consent of all Cities with territory in the renewed and expanded RMDZ in accordance with CalRecycle regulations. Today's action seeks the adoption of a resolution approving the submittal of a redesignation application to the CalRecycle to renew the North County RMDZ which is set to expire in November 2014 and to allow for expansion of its boundaries to include additional territory in the Cities of Santee, Encinitas and the County of San Diego. The purpose for expanding the boundaries is to increase the area in which companies that use recycled materials for manufacturing are eligible for RMDZ incentives. Recycling market development activities are part of the landfill diversion and recycling activities managed by the Department of Public Works. Therefore, it is requesting that the Director, Department of Public Works or Designee be authorized and empowered to execute all documents and take such action as may be necessary to submit and process to completion a redesignation application with CalRecycle to renew and expand the North County RMDZ.

Recommendation(s)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that the Negative Declaration (ND) for the North County Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Redesignation Project, dated October 11, 2004, on file with the State Office of Planning and Research as State Clearinghouse Number 2004091023, was prepared and adopted by the City of San Diego City Council on November 8, 2004 in compliance with CEQA Guidelines, that the decision-making

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body has reviewed and considered the information contained therein and the information contained in the Addendum thereto dated January 31, 2014 prior to approving the project; and,

Find that there are no substantial changes in the project or in the circumstances under which it is undertaken which involve significant new environmental impacts which were not considered in the previously adopted ND dated October 11, 2004, and the subsequent Addendum dated January 31, 2014, and that there is no substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects, and that no new information of substantial importance has become available since the ND was adopted.

2. Adopt the Resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO SUPPORTING THE REDESIGNATION OF THE NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT ZONE TO RENEW THE ZONE AND EXPAND ITS BOUNDARIES
3. Authorize the Director, Department of Public Works or designee, to submit and take all action necessary to process to completion a redesignate application with CalRecycle to renew and expand the boundaries of the North County RMDZ.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with the approval of today's recommendations. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

Business Impact Statement

A successful application by the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone members will expand the local market for recyclable materials and encourage the development of local businesses and employment opportunities within the designated Recycling Market Development Zone.

Advisory Board Statement

N/A

Background

The Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 allows for the establishment of Recycling Market Development Zones (RMDZ), which are specific geographic areas designated by the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to provide financial and administrative incentives to expand economic and employment opportunities related to recycling. This program is similar to the State's Enterprise Zone program. This designation does not affect land use standards for the areas and is only used to benefit recycling businesses, or businesses using recycled feedstock located in the zone.

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RMDZs cover roughly 88,000 square-miles of California from the Oregon border to San Diego. There are two areas in San Diego County that have such designations: the first zone was South San Diego (#30) established in 1992 and the second zone was North San Diego County (#29) established in 1994. Under the program, qualifying companies can apply to CalRecycle for below-market, fixed-rate and long-term loans for projects that increase diversion of recyclable materials from landfills. Loans are for up to 75% of project cost, not to exceed \$2 million, and can be used for equipment, working capital, real estate purchase (maximum of \$1,000,000), leasehold improvements and debt refinancing. Qualifying companies include those that produce a recycled-content, value-added product, or otherwise increase market demand for materials normally disposed in a landfill. CalRecycle will also provide marketing assistance, tax incentives for capital improvements, and financial planning expertise to these businesses.

This requested action is related to the second zone located in North San Diego County. By way of background, on December 7, 1993 (26), the Board authorized submittal of a joint application with the Cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Diego, San Marcos, Solana Beach, and Vista to establish the North San Diego County RMDZ (North County RMDZ). The North County RMDZ as approved by CalRecycle spans from the south including Poway and the Mira Mesa area to the northern communities of Fallbrook and Valley Center, and west to the coast cities along the I-5 corridor.

Established zones may be redesignated in accordance with 14 CCR § 17914 to renew the zone designation and change its boundaries. The applications must be submitted to CalRecycle by the Zone Administrator. The County serves as the Zone Administrator for the North County RMDZ. The redesignation of the North County RMDZ is required to renew the existing zone designation which is set to expire in November 2014. Renewal would be sought for another 10 year term. The application for redesignation would also seek to expand the boundaries of the North County RMDZ to include additional territory in the Cities of Encinitas and Santee, as well as portions of unincorporated territory in the County. The purpose for expanding the boundaries is to increase the available area in which companies that use recycled materials for manufacturing are eligible for incentives. While some of these jurisdictions have limited or no heavy industrial land, their participation in the RMDZ could provide assistance for smaller cottage industries that also use recycled feedstock. Additionally, all jurisdictions will benefit from having local markets for their recycled materials. The proposed zone, including the expanded territory, is shown on Attachment E.

The diversion and reuse or remanufacturing of discarded materials from landfills has positive environmental benefits since making products from recycled materials generally requires less energy than those manufactured from virgin materials. Recycling provides a more efficient use of the resources already extracted from the earth and recycling and remanufacturing creates jobs, stimulating the local economy.

Success of Recycling Market Development Zones in San Diego County

Since the Recycling Market Development Zones were established, several recycling companies have been sited in the two Recycling Market Development Zones. In North County RMDZ these

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include: Agri-Service; California Clean Green; Emery Materials; Hanson Aggregates; Kaho Plastics; Oceanside Glasstile; Bulldog Rubber & Recycling; Simba International; and Wyroc. In South San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone. These include Building: Materials Distributor; Building Materials Recycling; Cactus Recycling; Casa Royal; Organic Recycling West; and Rerock Materials.

Many of the facilities accept material from the unincorporated area, and Hanson Aggregates is sited in the unincorporated area.

Recycling Market Development Zone Administration and Application for Redesignation

CalRecycle requires that member jurisdictions of a RMDZ adopt resolutions or ordinances approving a redesignation submittal seeking a renewal or expansion of the zone. The County will consider adopting such a resolution today and it is anticipated the other jurisdictions will also adopt similar resolutions or ordinances. The County, as the Zone Administrator, will prepare and submit the redesignation submittal. The County has coordinated the redesignation application with the Cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Encinitas, Escondido, Oceanside, Poway, San Diego, San Marcos, Santee, Solana Beach, and Vista. All of the jurisdictions concur with the proposed redesignation and have been requested to provide resolutions or ordinances of support for the redesignation application. In coordination with other Recycling Market Development Zone member jurisdictions, the County also serves as a contact and facilitator for businesses interested in opportunities made possible by the RMDZ.

Upon Board approval of the subject resolution, the County will forward the completed application to CalRecycle. This action will benefit residents of the County of San Diego by increasing regional opportunity for recycling-related businesses. It is anticipated the North San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone will be redesignated by the state in November 2014. Today's action also seeks a delegation of authority to the Director, County Department of Public Works or designee, to submit and process to completion the proposed redesignation application. This could include completing updated Market Development Plans, preparing a Supplemental Recycling Market Development Plan, and taking such other action as may be required by State law and applicable Regulations or policy.

Environmental Statement

The proposed project has been reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and it has been determined that the project was covered in a previously adopted Negative Declaration for the North San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation, as prepared by the Land Development Review Division of the City of San Diego (State Clearinghouse Number 2004091023). Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), on November 8, 2004 the City of San Diego, acting as Lead Agency, adopted Negative Declaration. On January 31, 2014 the County of San Diego, acting as Zone Administrator in anticipation of filing a redesignation application with CalRecycle, having found and determined that certain amendments to the RMDZ, including the referenced boundary changes, would not result in significant unmitigated impacts and that only minor technical

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changes or additions to the ND were necessary and that none of the conditions described in Section 15162 of the state CEQA Guidelines calling for the preparation of a subsequent environmental document had occurred, adopted an Addendum to the Negative Declaration. Therefore, no further CEQA actions or determinations are required.

Linkage to the County of San Diego Strategic Plan

Today's proposed action supports the Sustainable Environments Strategic Initiative in the County of San Diego's 2014-2019 Strategic Plan by planning for and encouraging the development of a robust recycling infrastructure that supports and strengthens the economy, creates jobs and improves regional infrastructure to manage discarded materials.

Respectfully submitted,

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SARAH E. AGHASSI
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

ATTACHMENT(S)

- A. Addendum to the Previously Adopted Negative Declaration for North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation for purposes of updating for 2014 North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation January 31, 2014
- B. Negative Declaration North San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation October 11, 2004
- C. Recycling Market Development Zone Redesignation Application
- D. A Resolution Of The County Of San Diego Supporting The Redesignation Of North San Diego County As A Recycling Market Development Zone Due To An Expansion of Boundaries And Adoption Of Negative Declaration Addendum
- E. Map of Proposed Zone

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: Yes No

WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION 1000.1 REQUIRED

 Yes No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

April 10, 2013 (8), Adopted a Resolution to Support Redesignation of the Southern California Border Region Recycling Market Development Zone
July 14, 2004 (4), Authorized the application to redesignate the North San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone
January 29, 2003 (14), Authorized the application to redesignate the South San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone
June 12, 2002 (4), Adopted the East Otay Mesa Specific Plan Amendment
February 2, 1999 (10), Authorized the application to add the City of Chula Vista to the San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone
December 7, 1993 (26), Authorized the application to form the North San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone
March 17, 1992 (14), Authorized the joint application with the City of San Diego to establish the San Diego Recycling Market Development Zone

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

A-71, San Diego County Economic Development Policy

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:

N/A

ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):

N/A

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Public Works

OTHER CONCURRENCES(S): N/A

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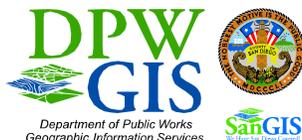
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North San Diego County RMDZ



- Freeways
- Highways
- N. County RMDZ Area



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Redesignation and Expansion of the North San Diego County Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ)

Environment Committee

November 12, 2014



RMDZs promote recycling by providing:

- Access to State low-interest loans
- Permitting assistance
- Feedstock identification
- Referrals to local agencies and business assistance groups
- Free product marketing



RMDZs

- Designated for 10 years at a time
- Components of the City's good faith effort to meet AB 939 waste diversion goals
- Assist in development of local recycling markets
- Currently 36 RMDZs in California
 - Two RMDZs in San Diego County



RMDZ History

- Statewide: 183 loans for \$133M
- Local RMDZs: Eight loans for \$6M



Proposed North San Diego County RMDZ



Expanded RMDZ to include Cities of Encinitas and Santee; and northern and eastern portions of Unincorporated County not currently in a RMDZ.



Questions?

