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MOLOKAI INTEGRATED SOLID WASTE FACILITY

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Section One: Regulatory Compliance

Regulatory compliance issues handled during FY 2013 included the following:

- Cell 4 construction funds requested of and approved by County Council for \$3M,
- Continued contract with Maui Disposal for the Recycle Molokai facility operation,
- Contracted with Pawn's Tree and Mulch Co. for the greenwaste facility operation,
- Contracted with Refrigerant Recycling to provide ongoing scrap metal collection services at the Moloka'i Metals Facility during which scrap metal, appliances, vehicles, and related materials are received, processed, & shipped to Honolulu,
- hired Red Dirt Construction to excavate a berm of construction and demolition materials, sort recyclables and greenwaste, and remove the waste to the landfill.

Cell 4 Construction Funds

Construction funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 were requested and approved for Cell 4 in FY 2013 for FY 2014.

Recycle Molokai

In September 2011 the Recycling Section issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Operation of the Recycle Molokai facility. The contract term was for seven years with an option to extend for three years. Maui Disposal, the previous operator, contracted with the County for \$67,100 to operate the facility from Dec. 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012. According to the current contract, which started July 1, 2012, Maui Disposal is paid \$99,999 per year to operate the recycling facility.

Greenwaste Facility

Management of greenwaste operations was included as an additive option to the scope of work described in the RFP. Pawn's Tree & Mulch Co. was selected to manage the greenwaste from Dec. 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 for \$131,100. They were paid by Purchase Order due to a bid protest. Pawn subsequently negotiated with the County a ten year contract, which started July 1, 2012, at the rate of \$192,000 annually. They receive, grind, and store greenwaste which is taken by customers for personal use.

Molokai Metals Facility

A Request for Proposals was written for ongoing collection of scrap metal and related materials and Refrigerant Recycling of Honolulu was selected. They were awarded a three year contract starting July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2016. The contract amount for the three years is \$394,488 which is \$131,496 a year.

Construction and Demolition (C&D) Materials

For the last quarter of FY 2013, the County hired Red Dirt Construction for about \$75,000 to clear an area filled with C&D waste. The excavator operator has sorted materials, and removed them either to the landfill, metals facility or greenwaste area.

Section Two: Conditional Compliance

Condition 1: That appropriate monitoring of the quality of water to be discharged into neighboring gulches from drainage basins shall be undertaken to assure that toxic wastes are not part of the discharge.

Response

Further stormwater improvements will be made during the construction of Cell 4 in FY 2014. When the landfill expands to Cell, 4 stormwater channels and drainageways have been designed and will be constructed to ensure that wastes do not wash away from the working area into the stormwater basin. Compliance with the existing NPDES permit requires testing of any stormwater leaving the site. The stormwater pond was recently enlarged so that on-site flows have been contained within it.

Condition 2: That in preparation of the sanitary landfill, the landfill floor shall be further compacted and be made relatively impervious to water in order to contain leachate. Proper disposal methods of leachate shall be installed within the landfill.

Response

Cell 3 has been constructed with a composite liner of a geosynthetic as well as compacted soil. A lysimeter, pump, and riser have been installed to collect and measure any leachate. A lysimeter was installed in Cell 1 with Cell 2 graded to it. Leachate from the Cell 1 wet well and from the Cell 3 sump has been sampled and tested semi-annually and reported to the DOH. Cell 4 will be constructed with a composite liner of geosynthetics and compacted low-permeable soil. Leachate will be piped to the Cell 3 sump. Currently, leachate is pumped by the County Highway's truck and disposed of at the Kaunakakai wastewater treatment plant.

Condition 3: That a traffic assessment shall be developed to determine the impact on Maunaloa Highway once the sanitary landfill is operating. This assessment shall be completed no later than one year after said landfill is in operation. Findings of the assessment shall be submitted to the State Department of Transportation, Highways Division, and the Maui County Planning Department for review.

Response

The completed report was transmitted as required on May 10, 1995. A left-turn storage lane was installed on Maunaloa Highway. Construction began in July 2008 and was completed in 2009 with Department of Transportation-Highways approving the work.

Condition 4: That the applicant shall stop work on the sanitary landfill and immediately contact the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Historic Sites Division, in the event that any previously unidentified historic, archeological, or cultural sites are encountered.

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Response

This has not occurred to date during the construction of Cells 1, 2, or 3. The landfill is currently being built over the established footprint and is not active over new ground. If any previously unidentified historic, archeological, or cultural sites are encountered during the construction of Cell 4, work will cease and Historic Sites Division notified.

Condition 5: That appropriate internal vehicle circulation patterns shall be designed so as to not cause confusion and congestion within the sanitary landfill.

Response

There is a paved road into the landfill which turns into a dirt road up to the active area. Internal roadways are clearly marked for the public to easily access the active area.

Condition 6: That full compliance with the requirements of the State's Department of Health for sanitary landfill operation shall be rendered.

Response

The working supervisor manages landfill operations and two other staff: landfill attendant and laborer. The landfill operations supervisor regularly visits the landfill and oversees operations for compliance at Molokai, Lanai, and Hana. The landfill sends weekly photos to DOH as part of the alternative daily cover program in which a tarp is used.

Condition 7: That appropriate rules shall be established to prohibit scavenging within the sanitary landfill operation.

Response

No scavenging is allowed; after hours the main gate on Maunaloa Highway is locked. The entire facility is fenced; access to it is controlled by a locked gate. The scrap metal receiving area is fenced inside the landfill parcel with a locked gate controlling access.

Condition 8: That appropriate mitigative measures to control excessive dust generation shall be implemented.

Response

The landfill has a dedicated water truck to provide dust control on a regular basis.

Condition 9: That provision shall be enacted to ensure emergency access to the sanitary landfill in case of fire or other disaster.

Response

The County District Supervisor has keys to the gates at the highway and facility.

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Condition 10: That final architectural and landscape planting plans be submitted to the Planning Department for review and approval. Upon approval by the Planning Department, a copy of the plans shall be submitted to the Land Use Commission.

Response

This was done during facility design prior to construction and opening in 1993.

Condition 11: That full compliance with other applicable government requirements shall be rendered.

Response

An NPDES permit, HI R50A626, was extended administratively in 2012.

Condition 12: That alternative No. 3 of the geomembrane liner as found in the January 4, 1993 memo from Parametrix, Inc. to Dave Wissmar shall be used for Phase (Cell) 1.

Response

This was done during construction of Cell 1 in 1993.

Condition 13: The Applicant shall provide County of Maui Planning Department and Land Use Commission copies of the final approved metes and bounds map and description delineating the permit area of approximately 37.9 acres.

Response

The subdivision was final in June 2009. The final plat for the Land Court application was prepared by Ronald Fukumoto for transmittal by County Corporation Counsel. Corporation Counsel is handling transmittal of the necessary documents to Land Court.

Condition 14: The Applicant shall commence operations of the Molokai Integrated Solid Waste Facility no later than six months from the date of filing of this Decision and Order by the Land Use Commission.

Response

The facility opened on October 1, 1993 within six months of May 14, 1993.

Condition 15: The Applicant shall timely provide, without any prior notice, annual reports to the County of Maui Planning Department and the Land Use Commission in connection with the status of the subject project and the Applicant's progress in complying with the conditions imposed herein. The annual report shall be submitted in a form prescribed by the Executive Officer of the Commission.

Response

The submission of this report meets this requirement.