

WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT EXTENSION

City Council Meeting

April 15, 2025



Overview

- Solid waste disposal at Orange County landfills is governed by a Waste Disposal Agreement (WDA).
- Cities and Sanitary Districts agree to exclusively deposit solid waste at the County of Orange's landfills in exchange for low and stable disposal rates.
- The current WDA was entered into in 2009 with a subsequent amendment to extend the term through June 30, 2025.
- Currently a new Waste Infrastructure System Enhancement (WISE) successor agreement is being negotiated by the Orange County City Manager Association (OCCMA) and Orange County Waste and Recycling (OCWR).





County of Orange Agreement

- The proposed amendment extends the current WDA by one year, including a 2.6% disposal fee increase through June 30, 2026.
- The WISE agreement proposed increasing the landfill disposal rate from \$42.65 to \$82 per ton (a 92.3% increase). It also proposed an allocation of capital expenditures for infrastructure at County landfills.
- The extension period will allow stakeholders to conduct due diligence on a successor agreement to the WDA as well as evaluate costs, infrastructure plans, and future fee adjustments.
- If the OCCMA committee and OCWR do not reach mutually agreeable terms by September 30, 2025, monthly updates will be provided to all cities and sanitary districts beginning in October 2025.

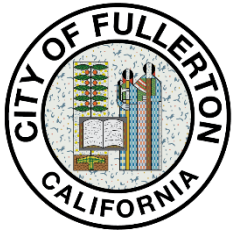




Recommendations

Council Options

- Approve the one-year extension of the WDA, including a 2.6% disposal fee increase, through June 30, 2026; and Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and make minor modifications, as necessary.
- Other options brought by City Council.



Questions?

