Greenwaste Acceptance

Beginning November 15, 2003, the Yolo County Central Landfill can no longer accept greenwaste coming from the following counties unless the hauler has a compliance agreement from the California Department of Food and Agriculture: Alameda, Contra Costa, Humboldt, Marin, Mendocino, Monterey, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano (this includes Unincorporated, Dixon, Vacaville, etc.) and Sonoma.

These regulations have been put in place in an attempt to stop the spread of Sudden Oak Death, a disease that affects oak trees. There are areas in Solano County that have trees infected with this disease.

Greenwaste coming from Solano County, by haulers with a compliance agreement, will be disposed of in the landfill and will be charged a garbage rate.

These regulations do not apply to construction waste, pallets or lumber.

Please see the attached letter from the California Department of Food and Agriculture. You may contact them at (916) 654-0312 for more information or to obtain a compliance agreement.
To Whom It May Concern:

In order to limit the spread of *Phytophthora ramorum*, the causal agent of sudden oak death, the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), under the authority of the California Code of Regulations, Title 4, Section 3700 (enclosed), regulates the movement of green waste out of the following California counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, Humboldt, Marin, Mendocino, Monterey, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, and Sonoma. Green waste (such as yard trimmings, mulch, or wood chips) that may contain host plant parts is covered by this regulation. Organic waste composed solely of non-host plant parts (such as construction waste, wood pallets, food waste, or manure) is not covered by this regulation. According to the regulation, green waste may be allowed to move out of the regulated counties to recipients operating under a permit issued by the CDFA for specific, authorized uses. Authorized uses of green waste include: alternative daily cover at landfills; fuel for biomass/cogeneration; and, as feedstock for compost. Green waste will not be permitted to move out of the regulated counties for use as non-composted mulch.

Effective November 15, 2003, green waste covered by the regulation will not be allowed to move out of the regulated area except to recipients operating under a permit issued by the CDFA. Persons or businesses that receive green waste from the regulated area without a permit after November 15, 2003 are subject to enforcement action. All permits issued prior to November 15, 2003 will become effective on November 15, 2003. If you do not receive green waste from the regulated area covered by this regulation, please disregard this notice.

A sample copy of permits for landfills, composters, and biomass/cogeneration facilities are enclosed for your review.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, or to apply for a permit, please contact me at the address above, or by e-mail at ncondos@cdfa.ca.gov. To apply for a permit, please include the following information: Name and mailing address of business, name of contact person, and the type of permit (i.e. landfill).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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