SUMMER TIME

JOHNSON CANYON LANDFILL TOUR

A tour of the Johnson Canyon Landfill was given prior to the Board of Directors meeting. The group was shown Module VII that is currently under construction. This module will have an estimated capacity of 1.1 million tons, approximately 6 years of operating life at the current disposal rates. The tour also included a demonstration of the new de-packaging machine in action. A mixed load of waste that included potted orchids and bagged produce was loaded into the de-packager which separates the organic materials from the plastic packaging waste. This will allow the organic materials to then be processed at the new compost area. The group was also taken to the new compost pad area that is currently being built and will be used to process all the organic materials from our Salinas Valley operations.

FUTURE ORGANICS INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT NEEDS

Senate Bill (SB) 1383 that requires statewide residential and commercial organics recycling collection deadlines are quickly approaching. The requirement of reducing organic waste from entering the landfill by 50% by 2020 and 75% by 2025 and the limited processing infrastructures that exist in Monterey County and statewide, has staff working diligently to expand the organics program. With many challenges facing these changes and the uncertainty of the City of Salinas withdraw from the Joint Powers Agreement, staff recommended, and the Board approved the purchase of initial equipment and infrastructure updates that require some investment but can help the program move forward.

5 ORGANIC WASTE STREAMS
- Clean Agricultural Culls
- Bagged/Package Produce
- Greenwaste/Yardwaste
- Foodwaste
- Large Woody Items and Lumber

CHALLENGES
Expansion of residential and commercial food waste collection programs requires additional processing capacity

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MONTH ENDED APRIL 2019 (83.33% OF THE FISCAL YEAR)
Revenue collected $18,934,969 (96.0% of Estimated Revenue of $19,720,275)
Expenditures for operations $15,453,878 (77.6% of Operating Budget of $19,913,000)
Cash balance $29,268,303

“To manage Salinas Valley solid waste as a resource, promoting sustainable, environmentally sound and cost-effective practices through an integrated system of waste reduction, reuse, recycling, innovative technology, customer service, and education.”