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Meeting Notes

Project: Old Hwy 80 Illegal Dump Site

Date: November 26, 2025

Attendees: **County Counsel:** Gregory Lusitana
Department of Environmental Health and Quality: Colleen Hines
Department of Public Works: Conor McGee
Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency: Catherine Dean, Jay Agustin
Project Applicant/Associates: Sam Attisha, Vincent Kattoula, Seth Bobroff

Background

- On March 17, 2020, SECV Inc. became the legal owner of the property at 42748 Old Highway 80, Jacumba, CA 91934 (APN: 613-080-40-00), as recorded with the County of San Diego Assessor/Recorder/Clerk Office.
- On March 3, 2021, the Department of Environmental Health and Quality (DEHQ), Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) for San Diego County issued Notice and Order 2021-01 Cease and Desist Order to Mr. Samad Attisha (Director/Chief Executive Officer of SECV Inc.) for violations of PRC §44002 and 14 CCR §18103.1. The owner/operator was ordered to immediately cease and desist the acceptance of solid waste and the operation of a Construction, Demolition and Inert Debris operation and a Limited Volume Transfer Operation and ordered to submit a corrective action plan to the LEA for review and approval.
- On December 8, 2021, the LEA issued Notice and Order 2021-03 Corrective Action Order to the property owner, SECV Inc., for violation of PRC §44000.5(a) and §44002(a)(1). The owner/operator was ordered to cease and desist operating a solid waste disposal site on APN 613-080-34-00 and ordered to submit a corrective action plan and community Health and safety plan by February 6, 2022. SECV Inc. did not comply with notice.
- On May 6, 2025, the LEA issued an Amended Notice and Order (No. 2025-01) to SECV Inc., requiring the submittal of a corrective action plan, stamped by a California-licensed civil or environmental engineer. To date, SECV Inc., has not submitted a corrective action plan or community health and safety plan.
- On August 28, 2025, the LEA met with Mr. Attisha via Microsoft Teams in an effort to work with him to achieve compliance. Mr. Attisha was directed and agreed to secure a consultant and provide a remediation cost estimate within 30 calendar days. No consultant was retained.
- Per PRC 45010.2 The LEA subsequently scheduled a "Meet and Confer" meeting on November 18, 2025, to discuss a plan and timeline for achieving compliance.

Meeting Introduction

The LEA began the meeting by explaining to Mr. Attisha the purpose of the meeting which must be held prior to imposing civil penalties as part of required enforcement actions to achieve site compliance. The LEA emphasized to Mr. Attisha that they wish to continue to work with SECV Inc., to achieve compliance. It was also stated that solid waste site remediation is the responsibility of the property owner.

LEA Responsibilities

Mr. Kattoula inquired about the LEA's responsibilities, specifically whether they apply **only** to above-ground solid waste. The LEA clarified that, the LEA is responsible for solid waste sites and facilities within San Diego County (excluding the City of San Diego) and that includes illegal disposal sites. Regardless of the solid waste location, above ground or buried, the site met the definition of an illegal dump site due to the size and scale of the illegal dumping that has occurred at the site over time.

Site Remediation

Mr. Attisha was asked how he plans to achieve compliance. Mr. Attisha stated that the previous owner should be held responsible. Mr. Kattoula then stated that KAPPA Surveying & Engineering Inc. had declined the job due to the project's size.

Mr. Attisha expressed that he wants the case law that specifies the remediation of the illegal dump site to be his responsibility. In response, Mr. Lusitana explained that property owners are responsible for addressing solid waste issues on their property. Mr. Attisha asked whether he is also responsible for waste located off his property. The LEA clarified that site remediation efforts are specific to the parcels owned by SECV Inc., and they are not responsible for remediation on any parcel that they do not own.

Penalty Assessment

Mr. Kattoula asked about the status of the notice of penalty assessment addressed to the previous owner, Daniel Miller Family Trust. The LEA confirmed that a civil judgement against the Miller Family Trust and abstract judgement has been obtained; however, no penalties have been collected. Mr. Kattoula inquired how the funds would be used and suggested SECV Inc. would do the work on condition that they be reimbursed \$150,000 from the civil penalties collected. Mr. Lusitana clarified that no civil penalties have been collected at this time and that the LEA would not negotiate and is not in a position to enter into a business deal with SECV Inc. and again reiterated that responsibility for site remediation is that of the property owner.

Action Items:

- Mr. Kattoula will retain a consultant and provide a cost analysis by mid-December 2025.
- LEA will provide information on civil penalties upon written request from Mr. Kattoula.
- A Microsoft Teams invite was scheduled for December 17, 2025, from 3-4pm.