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John Robertus, Executive Officer  
Attention: Mike Porter, Engineering Geologist  
Regional Water Quality Control Board  
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100  
San Diego, California 92123

Re: Gregory Canyon Landfill

Dear Mr. Robertus:

As a concerned citizen and former legislator representing San Diego County, I have followed with interest the Gregory Canyon Landfill proposal. As a member of the Legislature, I opposed AB 2752, which sought to nullify a countywide vote which amended the San Diego County General Plan and Zoning Ordinance that designated Gregory Canyon as a landfill site. In 1994, 68% of voters approved that amendment.

Subsequently I signed the ballot argument against a 2004 initiative measure that sought to revisit the Gregory Canyon proposal. The public again supported the landfill.

I know the importance of each region within the state providing environmentally sound and economically viable facilities to dispose of locally-generated solid waste. The state's solid waste policy rests on the concept of each region being responsible for disposing of its own waste.

No one wants a landfill in their neighborhood, but our trash has to go somewhere. Gregory Canyon is part of the region's solution to its long-term waste disposal needs. It can be one of the most environmentally advanced landfills in the nation.

While I am not familiar with and therefore cannot comment on the technical, water-quality related issues before the RWQCB, I support the Gregory Canyon landfill as a land use proposal.

Sincerely

  
HOWARD WAYNE