

LOPEZ CANYON RESTORATION PROJECT

MEETING AGENDA JUNE 2014 COMMUNITY MEETING

CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUREAU OF SANITATION

Meeting Date Wednesday, June 4, 2014
Meeting Time 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location LVT Recreation Center

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MEETING WILL START & END ON TIME

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS (5 minutes)

AGENDA ITEMS HANDOUT AND DISCUSSION (20-25 minutes)

SPILL REVIEW

- A waste liquid spill (oily water) from the Fortistar Gas-to-Energy Plant occurred on April 29, 2014. Fortistar's internal review revealed that the spill was caused by operator error. An operator failed to notice the high level in the waste oil tank and strong prevailing winds of 50-60mph caused it to overflow into secondary containment.
- Sanitation's hazardous waste clean-up contractor, Clean Harbor, was contacted to determine the extent of the spill and clean it up.
- Clean Harbor determined that the oily water spill did not leave Lopez Landfill boundaries. It was contained to C-Canyon and the Whitehorse Debris Basin and cleaned up.
- Regulatory agencies (LA County Hazardous Materials, Local Enforcement Agency, Regional Water Quality Control Board, LA City Hazardous Materials) and local neighbors were notified.
- All clean-up was completed by May 2, 2014.

LANDSCAPING UPDATE

- A hydro-seeding purchase order is in place.
- City staff is working on an irrigation system design. The irrigation system will be installed once the design is completed.

LANDFILL POST-CLOSURE MAINTENANCE UPDATE

- Maintenance work on A-Canyon Slope started on June 2nd. Dirt is being imported to re-grade this area.
- We experienced no landfill issues due to this year's rainy season.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER UPDATE

- Concrete benches, bioswales (landscape elements designed to remove silt and pollution from surface runoff water) and planter box have been installed.

- Artwork has been finalized for seven displays & a welcome sign.
- Artwork for the kiosk displays is pending corrections and final approval.
- Drought resistant plants and a storage cage (to hold backyard composters and other equipment) are on order.
- We are preparing a purchase order for the Kiosk

LOPEZ CANYON ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER UPDATE

- Third quarter production:
Processed: 15,000 tons of yard trimmings, 3,800 tons of tree trimmings, 730 tons of manure.
Produced: 10,320 tons of TOPGRO™ Ground Yard Trimmings, 4,081 tons of TOPGRO™ Mulch, and 623 tons of TOPGRO™ Premium Soil Amendment.
- We received three noise complaints since January 1st.
#1: We investigated and could not determine the source of the noise.
#2: We investigated and found that the noise was due to the fact that the sound wall had been removed for repairs. We mitigated the noise by shutting down the grinder until the repairs were completed.
#3: We worked with an upper Kagel Canyon resident to identify the noise source and resolve it. The problem was identified (the shaking of a loader bucket) and we are modifying our operation and adding an additional sound barrier on the side of one grinder to resolve the issue.
- We received one odor complaint and could not determine the source.

SEPT 2013 COMMITMENTS TO COMMUNITY

1. We will prepare a bulleted list of topics and information that will be covered at community association meeting updates and bring it to the meeting.
THIS IS NOW THE NORM FOR FUTURE UPDATES.
2. We'll look at ways to plant vegetation that will conceal the compost facility from residents in upper Kagel Canyon.
TREES COULD BE PLANTED ON THE NORTH PART OF THE BERM AROUND THE COMPOST FACILITY. THE ROOTS CAN NOT PENETRATE INTO LANDFILL AREA, THEY CAN ONLY GROW AS DEEP AS THE COVER AND BERM.
3. Sanitation will explore the possibility of offering a tour of the gas-to-energy generators.
A TOUR WILL BE CONDUCTED AT OUR SEPT COMMUNITY MEETING, SEPT 10, 6:30-7:00PM
4. A schedule will be developed for the Lopez Canyon Environmental Education Center and will be posted on our website and sent out to our distribution list.
DONE
5. The plans for Lopez Canyon Environmental Education Center will be posted on our website.
DONE
6. We will contact the division that is working with the LVT Museum Science Discovery Center to see if we could tie the two projects together.
IN PROCESS
7. We'll tell the division that provides maintenance to trash trucks that the community appreciates the quieter trucks.
DONE

SOLAR PANEL FEASIBILITY STUDY (60 minutes)

NEXT TOUR & COMMUNITY MEETING

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

WEBSITE

[HTTP://LACITYSAN.ORG/SRPCD/INDEX.HTM](http://LACITYSAN.ORG/SRPCD/INDEX.HTM)

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