Recology
Sunset Scavenger
WASTE ZERO

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Dear John:

On behalf of Recology, please accept these comments to the Notice of Preparation (NOP) document issued on December 10, 2010 for the Brisbane Baylands Specific Plan EIR. Attached is a highlighted version of the NOP and a couple of plan drawings that we thought would be useful for reviewing our comments.

1. Throughout document, please change "Nor-Cal" to "Norcal".

2. On page 3, the NOP says the old landfill consists of approximately 345 acres. The RWQCB WDR document for the Brisbane Landfill has it at approximately 364 acres. There may be different acreage figures coming from different sources, but we just wanted to pass this information along.

3. On page 10, under Recology Variant, second sentence: Please change "… expand to 73 acres …." to "… expand to approximately 73 acres …."

4. On page 10, under Recology Variant, third sentence: Please change "… the existing 259,000 square feet to 1,011,000 square feet" to "… the existing approximately 260,000 square feet to approximately 1,100,000 square feet."

5. Figure 6, the very small insert in Figure 7, and Area Table 2 do not appear to reflect the degree of the southerly alignment of Geneva. Attached are PDF sheets labeled DS-15 through DS-18 that may be helpful to reassess the potential adjustments that may need to be made to Table 2. This may have an effect on traffic, economic, and other EIR reviews. There is a small park indicated that, as graphically indicated in Figure 6 and 7, would either be eliminated or be moved. Moving the park would adjust the yield of other land uses as well. Although the overall descriptions of the projected land areas and program square footage needed by Recology appear to be generally accurate, the potential misrepresentation of the land areas and yield of the other parcels may be confusing or problematic in the future.

6. On Figure 14, in the legend, please change "Solar or Other Waste-to-Energy" to "Solar or Bio-Energy". Waste-to-Energy sometimes has negative connotations in the environmental community, although it is a broad term encompassing various green technologies.

7. Recology is committed to incorporating renewable energy in its redevelopment project. At this time, however, the specific location of renewable energy generation on the site has not been finalized. Therefore, with respect to Figure 14, Recology requests flexibility in the location of such energy generation.

If you would like to discuss these comments or any other aspect of our proposed project please call me at (415) 715-6203.

Sincerely,

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