

December 3, 2020

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: All Commercial, Non-Profit and Governmental Entities

From: Rachel Ross-Donaldson, Agency Manager

**Subject:** Treated Wood Waste Disposal

On September 29<sup>th</sup>, Governor Newsom vetoed Senate Bill 68 (Galgiani). Senate Bill 68 would have allowed Class II and Class III landfills, such as the Anderson Landfill and the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill, to continue to accept treated wood waste under its current procedures. The veto of Senate Bill 68 will end the alternative management standards for treated wood waste, which means that Class II and Class III landfills will no longer be able to accept treated wood waste.

## What does that mean for you?

If you have treated wood waste to dispose of, it is strongly encouraged that you dispose of it before January 1, 2021.

Effective January 1, 2021, treated wood waste will be managed as hazardous waste. Commercial entities, including contractors, non-profit organizations and governmental agencies, will need to dispose of treated wood waste in one of the following ways:

- 1. Contract with a specialty waste company that is permitted to manage hazardous waste in California. There are several companies in California that are permitted to manage hazardous waste. Two such companies that are currently providing these services in the region are Clean Earth and Clean Harbors.
- 2. Tehama County commercial entities with hazardous waste generated in Tehama County may use the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill Household Hazardous Waste Facility. Those who choose to use the facility are subject to the following limitations and requirements:
  - The total volume of hazardous waste is limited to a total of 220 pounds or 27 gallons per month. If an entity generates more than this, the hazardous waste will need to be managed via option #1 above.
  - The facility is open only on select Saturdays. Visit <a href="www.tehamacountylandfill.com">www.tehamacountylandfill.com</a> to see the scheduled events. Commercial entities must make an appointment in order to use the facility.
  - The fee to dispose of treated wood waste at the facility is \$0.21 per pound. Payment is due at the time of the appointment.

• Commercial entities must have a Hazardous Waste Identification Number in order to use the facility.

The Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency recognizes that this change in management standards is inconvenient to all who wish to dispose of treated wood waste. The Agency is actively supporting measures that will allow for the current management standards to stand until remedial legislation can be passed and signed by the Governor. If you are expecting to dispose of treated wood waste after January 1, 2021, please contact the Agency to see if these efforts have been successful.

We sincerely appreciate your assistance and patience while we work through this issue.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.