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Subject: RE: Jess Ranch Compost Facility Draft EIR PLN2015-00087

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Good Afternoon Damien,

Fire reviewed this project last back in July of 2015. We had comment then and have not received any resubmittal with responses. Since the review was in a prior code cycle and the County is moving to the 2019 codes in January. The applicant should resubmit addressing our prior comments and showing how they will comply with the 2019 codes.

Sincerely,
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Good afternoon – commencing this Monday November 25, the Draft EIR for the proposed compost facility will be available for review at <http://www.acgov.org/cda/planning/landuseprojects/currentprojects.htm> (bottom of page) Comments will be received until 5:00 pm January 13, 2020.
Thank you for in advance for your attention and any comments you provide.

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To	Damien Curry	PLN #	15-00087
Address	15850 Jess Ranch Road		
Job Description	Composting Facility		
Reviewed By	Yvonne Fluehr	510 670-5850	

**APPLICATION NOT COMPLETE FOR FIRE REQUIREMENTS
 - WITH CUSTOMER FOR RESPONSE**

Fire Staff does not recommend that discretionary approval be given until the following issues are addressed and Fire Conditions are issued.

Re-submittal Required. A re-submittal is required for this project. Submit the revised plan along with a copy of any necessary reference materials, cut-sheets, listing sheets and calculations. Include a written itemized response to each comment and where in the re-submittal the specific change or information requested can be found.

Errors & Omissions. The purpose of code enforcement is to provide a means to help ensure projects are built to the codes, regulations and standards applicable to the project. Two methods are used towards this goal. First, is the review of the plans, second, are field inspections associated with the work. Between these two methods, it is hoped that all code deficiencies are discovered and corrected.

It is important to note that approval of the plan does not constitute permission to deviate from any code requirement and shall not be construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of the applicable statute, regulation, code or standard. Approval of a plan or permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provision of any applicable statute, regulation, code or standard shall not be valid.

Alternate Means. Any alternate means or equivalences shall be submitted in writing explaining the code provision that will be deviated from, the justification for such deviation, and an explanation on how this deviation meets the intent of the code and the equivalent level of safety intended by the code. This letter and supporting documents must be reviewed and approved for the deviation to be considered acceptable.

Items to be addressed with required re-submittal

1. Provide a clear scope of the project. On the vicinity map provided there is a proposed 20 foot access road, temporary residence, temporary access road, Windmill farm maintenance building, parking lot, office and maintenance building, scales, processing building, storm water basins, biofilter, curing/storage. And 2 pads. It is not clear if any of this is existing or if it is all new.

2. Provide documentation that the fire department access roads are to be 20 foot wide, 15'6" clear height, all weather surface capable of supporting 75,000 pounds. Grade is not to exceed 14%.
3. Provide details of the buildings shown. Occupancy classification, type of construction, square footage, number of stories, is the building provided with fire sprinklers.
4. Provide site plans drawn to a scale of 1"=20, 30 or 40 feet. Show locations of all property lines.
5. Dead end fire department access roads greater than 150 feet in length require a turnaround. Show this on the plans.
6. Show locations of all fire hydrants.
7. On the plans show locations of all water supplies.
8. Water flow for the buildings could not be determined as the square footage of building is not shown.
9. On the plans provide details of how the Composting facility complies with Section 2808 of the 2013 California Fire Code as amended by the Alameda County Ordinance.



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Review of Planning referrals are usually based on information and plans that lacking details for specific comments. The primary focus of our review is to assure fire access to the site. Specific fire and building code issues will be addressed during the regular building permit submittal and review process.

Conditions of Approval

The following conditions shall be met prior the issuance of a building permit and fire clearance for occupancy.

1. The project is located in the State Responsibility area and shall comply with Title 14 SRA Fire Safe Regulations in effect at time of building plan submittal. 1

2. The fire department access road is to be a continuous loop around the perimeter of the facility. As currently shown it appears to stop at the Building Agent Storage Area which creates dead ends greater than 150 feet which would require Fire Department Turnarounds. Fire department access roads to meet all requirements .as outlined in Title 14 SRA Fire Safe Regulations effective 1/20/20 if the road does not loop. 2

3. The required water supply shall conform to NFPA 1142, “Standard on Water Supplies for Suburban and Rural Fire Fighting,” 2017 edition. 3

4. Project to comply with Section 2808 of the 2019 California Fire Code. 4