

Report: Are We Wasting our Landfills?
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Recommendation #1

IWMD increase self-haul gate fees at County Landfills to exceed fees charged at MRF's and transfer stations.

Original Response

The recommendation requires further analysis.

Current Status

The Self-Haul Waste and Landfill Ordinance Committee has reviewed and discussed the outcomes of the studies and recommends establishing a surcharge rate that will result in the highest level of landfill avoidance feasible but still generate funds to develop and operate AB 939 programs that will encourage the recycling and reuse of materials presently landfilled.

Prior to making a surcharge recommendation to the Board of Supervisors, IWMD staff will conduct an outreach program to garner city manager and elected official support of the surcharge. Staff will conduct outreach February through March 2005 and will also solicit input from stakeholders at a special Waste Management Commission meeting on April 14, 2005. IWMD anticipates taking the committee's recommendation to the Board of Supervisors in May 2005 with anticipated implementation date of July 1, 2005.