

**ORANGE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**ACTION AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT**

**Meeting Date:** May 20, 2008

**Action Agenda  
Item No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Exclusionary Criteria in the Transfer Station Siting Process

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**DEPARTMENT:**  
County Manager's Office  
Solid Waste Department

**PUBLIC HEARING: (Y/N)**  No

- ATTACHMENT(S):**
- 1. Olver Inc. Recommended Final Exclusionary Criteria w/maps/Figures
  - 2. Additional Background Materials as Requested by the BOCC
    - A. Exclusionary Criteria Worksheet
    - B. Letter to Towns
    - C. Break-Even Haul Analysis
    - D. Public Comment Power Point
    - E. Public Comment Transcript
    - F. BOCC Minutes – 2/19; 3/18; 4/15

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**PURPOSE:**

To request BOCC receive presentation and background reports from Olver, Inc. on Preliminary Exclusionary Criteria, receive public comment and input, and consider formal adoption of Final Exclusionary Criteria, incorporating additional modifications as may be desired.

**BACKGROUND:**

At its Transfer Station Siting Work Session Meeting on April 15<sup>th</sup>, the BOCC continued its review and discussion of draft Preliminary Exclusionary Criteria, including comments from members of the public present, with its consultants, Olver, Inc. In the end, the BOCC formulated a list of items and issues for Olver, Inc. to note and address in advance of the next work session on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

The recommendation from Olver, Inc. regarding final Exclusionary Criteria and illustrative maps (figures) are provided in **Attachment 1**. The supporting documents in response to the BOCC direction – reports, worksheets, and maps – are provided in **Attachment 2**.

The purpose of the work session tonight is to reach agreement and formally adopt –background documentation, illustrative mapping (figures), and public comment considered – the final BOCC approved Exclusionary Criteria that will define the Transfer Station Siting process moving forward.

The BOCC will consider the Technical and Community Specific Criteria in subsequent work sessions, including examination and incorporation of public comment. The BOCC will also have

the opportunity to participate in a hypothetical case using its approved Technical and Community Specific criteria and weighting system, and engaging further public involvement as desired, before Olver, Inc. begins field exploration for qualifying sites.

County management and consultants deem the County has reached a critical juncture in the decisions required to site and develop a transfer station on a timeline compatible with a projected landfill capacity of early 2011. Final adoption of Exclusionary Criteria – with any desired modifications - on May 20 would be extremely beneficial to moving the overall process forward in a conscientious and expeditious manner.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no direct financial impact associated with the BOCC discussion and formal adoption of final Exclusionary Criteria to apply in the identification and evaluation of potential Transfer Station sites within Orange County. There will likely be substantial costs to the County (Solid Waste Enterprise Fund) in the overall design and development of the proposed site and the permitting and construction of the actual facility and any ancillary features.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

The Manager recommends that the Board review and discuss the presentation and background reports from Olver, Inc. on the Preliminary Exclusionary Criteria, receive public comment and input, and adopt Final Exclusionary Criteria incorporating any modifications as may be necessary or desired.