Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director

Date: December 15, 2020

Subject: Update on Investigation of Radioactive Waste Allegedly Sent to Keller Canyon Landfill

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ACCEPT the Keller Canyon Landfill Forensic Audit Technical Memorandum prepared by TRC Solutions, Inc. and Staff Report prepared by Contra Costa Environmental Health staff detailing the investigation of alleged radioactive waste sent to Keller Canyon Landfill from the former Hunters Point Naval Shipyard.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Acceptance of this report is not expected to impact the General Fund.

BACKGROUND:

Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS) is providing this update to the Board of Supervisors (Board) to formally present the Keller Canyon Landfill Forensic Audit Technical Memorandum (Exhibit A) prepared by TRC Solutions, Inc (TRC). The goal of the Forensic Audit was to investigate the potential presence of radioactive and hazardous landfill waste at the Keller canyon landfill, which was reported to originate from the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard (Hunters Point), see newspaper article attached as Exhibit B. TRC concluded that it is very unlikely that radiological materials originating from Hunters Point were disposed at Keller Canyon.

☑ APPROVE ☐ OTHER

☑ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR ☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **12/15/2020** ☑ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: December 15, 2020

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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cc:

On November 9, 2020, CCHS staff and TRC conducted a virtual community meeting to present TRC's findings to the local community and to provide the Board with feedback on the community's response to these findings. The complete audio for the November 9, 2020 Keller Canyon Community Meeting can be found at

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

https://cchealth.org/z/video/eh-solid-waste-keller-110920.mp4 and is included as Exhibit C. The CCHS Staff Report (Exhibit D) summarizes the investigation.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the recommendations are not approved, this update would not be accepted.

CLERK'S ADDENDUM

Speakers:Jen Borcic, **Written commentary received from Jen Borcic (attached).**

ATTACHMENTS

Exhibit D- Staff Report_TRC KCL Report Findings