

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Requested Board Meeting Date: May 7, 2013

ITEM SUMMARY, JUSTIFICATION &/or SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Pima County currently prohibits the importation of out-of-county waste at its solid waste facilities. This prohibition was necessary in the past to preserve sufficient landfill capacity for Pima County residents. The County's landfills at Tangerine and Sahuarita are nearing the end of their useful lives and alternative municipal waste disposal locations will be needed. The Tangerine and Sahuarita Landfills will close. It is likely that waste currently being accepted at Tangerine will be taken to the Marana Regional Landfill, a new privately owned and operated landfill expected to open this fall. A transfer station will be constructed and operated at the Sahuarita Landfill. Waste from the transfer station will be taken to a municipal waste facility for final disposal. Since the preservation of county-owned landfill capacity is no longer an issue with the upcoming closure of the landfills, the out-of-county waste prohibition is no longer needed.

CONTRACT NUMBER (If applicable): NOT APPLICABLE

STAFF RECOMMENDATION(S):

Staff recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the ordinance relating to the repeal of the out-of-county waste disposal prohibition.

CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS: _____

CLERK OF BOARD USE ONLY: BOS MTG. _____

ITEM NO. _____

PIMA COUNTY COST: _____ and/or REVENUE TO PIMA COUNTY:\$ _____

FUNDING SOURCE(S): _____

(i.e. General Fund, State Grant Fund, Federal Fund, Stadium D. Fund, etc.)

Advertised Public Hearing:

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IMPACT:

IF APPROVED:

Pima County solid waste facilities will be able to accept out-of-county municipal waste.

IF DENIED:

The ban on out-of-county municipal waste will remain in effect for Pima County's solid waste facilities.

DEPARTMENT NAME: Pima County Department of Environmental Quality

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