VENTURA REGIONAL SANITATION DISTRICT

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November 2, 2023

Board of Directors Ventura Regional Sanitation District Ventura, California

RECEIVE AND FILE DISTRICT STAFF REPORT REGARDING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE FRONT GATE FOR THE TOLAND ROAD LANDFILL

RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file the staff report regarding the emergency repair of the damaged front gate at the Toland Road Landfill.

FISCAL IMPACT

While the District will make every reasonable attempt to recover the repair costs from the responsible party, if that should not be possible, then the District's fund balance will have to cover approximately \$55,000 worth of repairs. It should be noted that the District's property insurance policy has a \$100,000 deductible, which exceeds the repair costs.

BACKGROUND

On September 9th, 2023 at 11:15 PM an employee of Security Enforcement Group (SEG) drove his company car into the front gate for the Toland Road landfill. The impact ripped the gate out of the rail and destroyed the operating unit. The gate and operating system were completely destroyed.

Staff authorized nearly \$55,000 of emergency repair work, of which \$53,550 was to Perimeter Security for the installation of a temporary gate to secure the area as well as for the replacement of the damaged gate. Perimeter Security is the vendor that installed the original gate and has been preforming all maintenance and repair on the gate.

There is a California Highway Patrol report for this incident, which is attached to this board letter (See Attachment No. 1) The SEG employee claims he never saw the gate in the dark when he slammed his car into it. After filing claims with SEG's insurance carrier, the District was notified that no policy was in place that would cover the damage caused in this incident. Staff is working with legal counsel to attempt to recover the cost from SEG.

This letter has been reviewed by Legal Counsel as to form.

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If you should have any questions or need additional information, please contact me by phone at (805) 658-4679 or via email at richardjones@vrsd.com.

RICHARD JONES, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

APPROVED FOR FISCAL IMPACT:

Alvertina Rivera, Director of Finance

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

Chris Theisen, General Manager

Attachments: No. 1 California Highway Patrol Report

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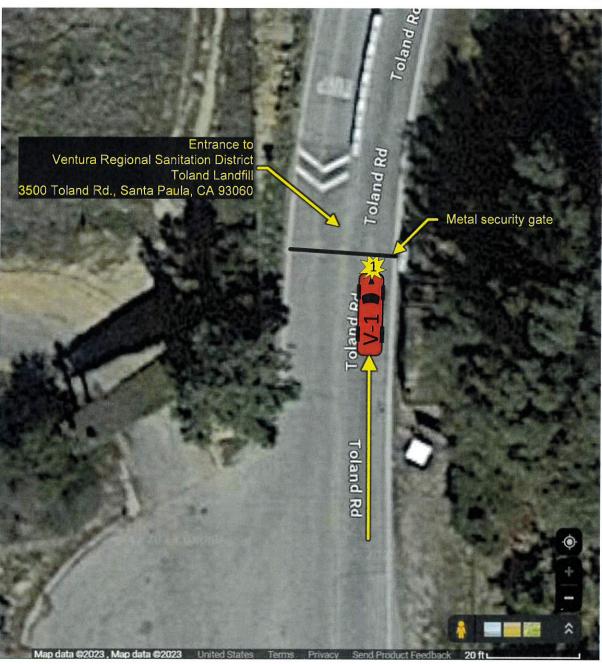
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- 1 All times, speeds, and measurements throughout this report are approximate. Measurements were
- 2 obtained using visual estimation and GPS unless otherwise stated. All opinions and conclusions were
- 3 based on evidence and/or statements.

OTHER FACTUAL INFORMATION

Upon arriving at the scene of this crash, I observed Vehicle #1 (V-1) (Toyota) parked on the right shoulder, just outside the entrance to the Ventura Regional Sanitary District – Toland Landfill facility. I noted the vehicle was labeled as a private security vehicle, with a decal label of "Security Enforcement Group", along with a phone number of (800) 250-7205. I contacted the phone number, and spoke to the company CEO, Julio Carrillo, who provided me the phone number for P-1.

13 STATEMENTS

Party #1 (P-1) (Heyl) was not contacted or located on-scene. I contacted P-1 via telephone on 09/11/2023 at 1150 hours. P-1 related in essence, he had gotten lost, and had been traveling northbound on Toland Rd., "goin' 30-35" mph. P-1 related that he was unfamiliar with the area and there was no street lighting. P-1 related that he collided into a gate. P-1 stated, "No street lights on that street—totally dark. I tried to take a shortcut – never do that again! I got lost." After the crash, P-1 traveled to Santa Paula Hospital to receive medical treatment for any potential injuries.

22 SUMMARY/CAUSE

Party #1 (P-1) (Heyl) was traveling northbound on Toland Rd., north of the SR-126 (Telegraph Road) freeway, at 35 mph. Due to P-1's unsafe speed for traffic conditions (22350 VC-dark, nighttime conditions with limited visibility, large stationary gate across roadway), P-1 failed to slow/stop his vehicle before the front collided with a large stationary metal gate, at the entrance to the Ventura Regional Sanitary District – Toland Landfill facility (AOI #1). After the crash, P-1 left the scene to seek medical attention.

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