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**San Joaquin County Temporarily Close Lovelace Road and North County
Landfills to Public During COVID-19 Health Emergency**
Landfills will remain open only to commercially collected garbage

(STOCKTON) The San Joaquin County Department of Public Works announced that effective March 21, 2020 until further notice, the Lovelace Road Transfer Station and North County Recycling Center and Landfill are closed except for commercially collected garbage. In response to the “Stay at Home” order issued by San Joaquin County on March 20, 2020, this step was taken to ensure that the Department has sufficient healthy essential staff to continue to landfill the County’s garbage throughout this health emergency.

“While commercial garbage collection is considered an essential service during the COVID-19 ‘Stay at Home’ declaration, local junk disposal is not,” said Kathy Miller, Chair of the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors. “We made the decision to close two of our landfills to the general public in order to protect the health and lives of County sanitation staff as well as local residents.”

With the temporary closure of the two landfill sites, Public Works Director Kris Balaji noted that instances of illegal dumping of trash have unfortunately increased. “During this Countywide emergency, we encourage residents to come together to take care of each other, our community and the environment,” Balaji said. “Even though the Lovelace Road and North County facilities are closed to the public, residents can still bring their junk and unwanted items to the Foothill Landfill and Tracy Disposal sites which can safely accommodate garbage disposal from the general public.”

Landfill Locations Open to the General Public:

Foothill Sanitary Landfill
6484 N. Waverly Road - Linden, CA
(209) 887-3969

Tracy Material Recovery & Solid Waste Transfer Facility
30703 South MacArthur Drive - Tracy, CA
(209) 832-2355

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Updated information on availability of facilities is available at: <https://www.sjgov.org/solidwaste/>

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