



## County of San Diego's Construction & Demolition Debris Recycling Update

October 2007

### The Construction & Demolition Recycling Ordinance is Underway!

#### County Recycling Projects



Upon the adoption of the Construction and Demolition Recycling Ordinance, the Board of Supervisors approved Board Policy G-15, which requires that debris from all County construction and demolition projects be recycled or reused in accordance with the new ordinance.

The first County project to comply with the Construction and Demolition Ordinance is the new Medical Examiner's building at the County Operations Center.

The first phase of the project is to demolish the existing warehouse. Whillock Contracting Inc. has been selected to demolish this building. Whillock has submitted a Debris Management Plan and estimated the following:



100 tons of scrap metal - 98% to be recycled  
 965 cubic yards of asphalt and concrete - 100% to be recycled  
 2,322 cubic yards of unpainted/painted concrete - 100% to be recycled  
 103 cubic yards of wood - 75% to be recycled  
 4 porcelain plumbing features - 50% to be recycled

The demolition is scheduled to begin in mid-October. We'll keep you posted on the results of their recycling efforts!

*Photos by: Bruce Heimbach*

#### The County's C&D Ordinance Successes...

**13 applicable projects since July 9th, 2007,  
including tract phases and large commercial projects**

- 4 Debris Management Plans and deposits received
- 531,323 square feet of projects

**Over 1,641 tons will be diverted based on information from 4 Debris Management Plans**

- 350 tons of asphalt & concrete
- 400 tons of dirt
- 1 ton of cabinets/fixtures
- 22 tons of carboard

- 124 tons of drywall, new and used
- 2 tons of landscaping/greens
- 9 tons of roofing material
- 9 tons of stucco/cement
- 124 tons of unpainted wood/pallets
- 600 tons of roofing tiles

## Sound Wall on Jamacha Boulevard Re-used

In early October, the wood sound wall on the SR 54/94 project (Jamacha Boulevard) will be deconstructed and reused. The County has arranged with the non-profit organization The Re-Use People (TRP) to remove the approximately 1,400 sheets of plywood as well as approximately 1,500 timber posts. The Reuse People will ship the majority of the plywood and posts to their reuse warehouse in Oakland, CA. The materials will be re-sold from their warehouse.



Locally, the San Miguel Fire Protection District will use approximately 300 sheets of plywood from the SR 54/94 wood wall to use as makeshift buildings for training purposes. The wood will not be burned, rather it will be used to teach fire fighters how to punch through roofs. This will save tax dollars as normally the Fire Protection District would have to buy plywood for this purpose. The remainder of the plywood is going to the contractor's yard to be used in future projects.

For more information on The Reuse People, please visit their website <http://www.thereusepeople.org/index.cfm>.

A representative from the Reuse People will be presenting at the October 4<sup>th</sup> Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting. This meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. at the City of San Diego Environmental Services Department, Training Room (First floor), 9601 Ridgehaven Court, San Diego, CA 92123

*Photo by: Bill Polick*

## Brag about your recycling practices!

Do you want to get credit for the good job you are doing with recycling all that construction debris? Please brag to us! We want to hear the success stories and share those stories with the community. Please call or email Stephanie Ewalt with your successes today! (858) 874-4285 or email me [stephanie.ewalt@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:stephanie.ewalt@sdcounty.ca.gov).

## Available Resources

Remember you have resources available to you!

[The County of San Diego's Recycling and Household Hazardous Waste Hotline](#)  
or call 1-800-R-1-Earth

[Construction and Demolition Recycling Guide](#)

For detailed information on the C&D ordinance and the processes, visit:  
<http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/dpw/recycling/c&dhome.html>



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