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Complete and attach this form to each CEQA Notice filed with the County Clerk

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Check Document being Filed:

- ☒ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ☒ Filing Fee (new project)
- ☐ Previously Paid F&W (must attach F&W receipt and project titles must match)
- ☐ No Effect Determination (F&W letter must be attached)
- ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
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- ☐ Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- ☐ Other (Please fill in type):

1. LEAD AGENCY: County of Santa Clara
2. LEAD AGENCY EMAIL: valerie.negrete@pln.sccgov.org
3. PROJECT TITLE: Z-Best Composting Facility Modifications
4. APPLICANT NAME: John Doyle, Zanker Recycling / Z-Best PHONE: 408-846-1575
5. APPLICANT EMAIL: john.doyle@greenwaste.com
6. APPLICANT ADDRESS: 980 HWY 25, Gilroy, CA. 95020
7. PROJECT APPLICANT IS A: ☐ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☒ Private Entity
8. NOTICE TO BE POSTED FOR 30 DAYS.

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County of Santa Clara

Department of Planning and Development
County Government Center, East Wing, 7th Floor
70 West Hedding Street
San Jose, California 95110



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Phone: (408) 299-6740	(408) 299-5700	(408) 299-5760	(408) 299-5770
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Notice of Determination

To: ☒ County Clerk
County of Santa Clara

☐ Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title		File #
Z-Best Composting Facility Modifications		PLN17-6498
Person or Agency Carrying Out Project	Address	Phone #
County of Santa Clara	70 W. Hedding Street, 7 th floor, San Jose, CA. 95110	408-299-5790
Applicant	Address	Phone #
John Doyle, Zanker Recycling / Z-Best	980 HWY 25, Gilroy, CA. 95020	408-846-1575
State Clearinghouse Number	County Contact Person	Phone #
2018102041	Valerie Negrete	408-299-5791
Project Location		APN(s)
980 HWY 25, Gilroy, CA. 95020		841-37-028, 841-37-029
Project Description		
<p>A major modification of a Use Permit and an Architectural Site Approval for its existing composting facility at 980 State Route 25. The proposed modification would allow an upgrade of the facility's existing municipal solid waste (MSW) composting process from the current windrow method to an aerated static pile process and associated modifications to existing operations and site conditions to accommodate the new processing technology. The purpose of the proposed project is to enable faster and more efficient composting of MSW.</p> <p>The proposed technology and operations modifications would enable Z-Best to increase its current permitted composting capacity from a total of 1,500 tons per day (tpd) with up to 15 days per year at 2,500 tpd, to 2,750 tpd with up to 20 days per year at 3,500 tpd. The additional capacity is consistent with state mandates and the State of California's Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) goals to increase waste diversion from landfills. The proposed increase in intake volume would come from increased MSW. No modification of existing green waste processes or increase in green waste intake volume is proposed as part of the proposed project.</p> <p>The new MSW composting technology would be installed within the existing MSW composting area of the site - no expansion of facility boundaries is proposed. Additional site modifications include raising the MSW composting pad above the base flood elevation, modifying existing Detention Basin #1 to increase capacity and increase berm height, relocating the existing driveway to become the fourth leg of the SR-25/Bolsa Road intersection, and associated improvements within the SR-25 right-of-way. The use permit modification would also include approval of previously constructed but un-permitted site features.</p>		

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This is to advise that the County of Santa Clara Planning Commission has approved the above described project on June 27, 2024 and has made the following determinations regarding the project. The Environmental Impact Report and record of project approval may be examined at the County of Santa Clara Planning Office.

1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Monitoring Program was adopted.
3. ☐ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
4. ☐ A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 - a) ☐ Mitigation Measures have been made a condition of approval of the project.
5. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report has been prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 - a) ☒ Mitigation Measures have been made a condition of approval of the project.
 - b) ☒ A *Statement of Overriding Considerations* was adopted for this project.
 - c) ☒ Findings were made pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15091.

Valerie Negrete, Senior Planner

Signature

6/28/2024

Date



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE

CASH RECEIPT

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:

ENV25180

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY

COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

DATE

07/01/2024

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

Z-BEST COMPOSTING FACILITY MODIFICATIONS

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

JOHN DOYLE, ZANKER RECYCLING / Z-BEST

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

PHONE NUMBER

(408) 846-1575

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

980 HWY 25

CITY

GILROY

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

95020

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☐ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☒ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☒ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$4,051.25 \$ 4,051.25
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$2,916.75 \$
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$1,377.25 \$

☐ Exempt from fee
☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$850.00 \$
☒ County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00
☐ Other \$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☒ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 4,101.25

SIGNATURE

X

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Patricia Camarena, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder



Regina Alcomendras
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