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TO: California State Assembly Members

FROM: Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/
Integrated Waste Management Task Force

**SUPPORT IF AMENDED – ASSEMBLY BILL 1086 (AGUIAR-CURRY) AS AMENDED ON
APRIL 5, 2021 – ORGANIC WASTE: IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY**

The Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee/Integrated Waste Management Task Force (Task Force) **SUPPORTS** Assembly Bill 1086 (AB 1086), as amended April 5, 2021, **if it is further amended** to include the recommendations in this Floor Alert.

The proposed legislation, if enacted, would require the Natural Resources Agency, in coordination with specified state agencies, and in consultation with stakeholders and relevant permitting agencies, to prepare and submit to the Legislature, by January 1, 2023, a report that provides an implementation strategy to achieve the state's organic waste, and related climate change and air quality, mandates, goals, and targets.

AB 1086 would authorize the Natural Resources Agency to, by July 1, 2022, contract with outside entities, including the California Council on Science and Technology and the University of California, to prepare the report. The bill would require the implementation strategy to include, among other things, recommendations on policy and funding support for the beneficial reuse of organic waste.

The Task Force recommends amending the bill to specifically include local governments as stakeholders to consult with in preparing the scoping plan and any other relevant documents or plans. Local governments are primary implementers of organic waste diversion and ought to be consulted and have input on each aspect of an organic waste implementation plan.

As provided by AB 939 (1989) and Chapter 3.67 of the Los Angeles County Code, the Task Force is responsible for coordinating the development of major solid waste planning documents for Los Angeles County and the 88 cities in the County with a population of over ten million. The Task Force addresses issues impacting the solid waste management system on a countywide basis.

Based on the foregoing, the Task Force **Supports AB 1086 if amended** to include the recommendation in this Floor Alert. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Mohajer, a member of the Task Force, at MikeMohajer@yahoo.com or at (909) 592-1147.