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Subject: [External] CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE RAMONA BURN DUMP (PLEASE INCLUDE WITH DOCUMENTS FOR LAND USE AGENDA #4)
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Hi Supervisors,

Re-ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS AND ADVERTISE AND AWARD
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE RAMONA BURN DUMP
CONSOLIDATE AND CAP PROJECT AND RELATED CEQA
EXEMPTION

(4 VOTES)

Sounds like the contingency money in a \$5 mil contract could be sizable. As I remarked yesterday, the Fed lowered the GDP growth forecast to 2.0 this year. My R/E Fund just predicted GDP growth of 1.6% in 2025 and 2% from 2026-28. Kudos to all those scummy contractors and developers who used escalation and manipulation to lock in future inflation adjustments of up to 6%.

So please look at all your contracts (especially single-source) and estimates for the next 5 or more years, and I'm sure you'll find a lot of places where you can cut down.

And I'm not a chemist, but I wonder if there are ways to put things like baking soda or vinegar on the toxics to render them inert, and maybe you wouldn't need as big a cap or risk the toxics leaching into the soil or groundwater.

Either way, you need to approve the project.

Regards,

Paul Henkin