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FW: Open burning question

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Hello, Mike,

I hope all is well.

I want to revisit the question below from last year regarding burning brush on the landfill property.

LNI respectfully requests a variance to our permit to allow the burning of a brush pile I discussed in the previous email. Are there pre-defined distance parameters from landmarks, such as lined cells, monitoring wells, buildings, roads, or processes?

The attached picture shows the pile taken from the south with Cell A in the distant background, approximately 100 to 150 yards away. It sits on gravel.

If allowed, we intend to burn it this winter or early spring after a rain or snow event.

Thanks,

Bill Rowland

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From: Bill Rowland
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Good morning, Mike.

I hope all is well.

We have a pile of mostly stumps and root balls from trees brought in after the storm ripped through Ventura this year. We diverted them to near the cut because they are too large for the grinder. Is there an opportunity to consider burning them on site? As I mentioned, they are in the cut area and at least 100 yards from any of our lined cells and monitoring wells.

I discussed this with Madelynn from Field Office #2 during her inspection last week. She suggested that I reach out to you.

I look forward to hearing your thoughts regarding this.

Sincerely,

Bill Rowland

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