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Board of Supervisors
Kern County Administrative Center
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**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE
OF ALTERNATE UNIVERSAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CHARGES FOR
ALL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN THE KEENE ALTERNATE UNIVERSAL
COLLECTION AREA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 (S. D. #2)**

**Fiscal Impact: \$52,219 Revenue; Solid Waste Enterprise Fund; Budgeted;
Mandated**

Attached for your consideration is a proposed Ordinance establishing the schedule of Solid Waste Collection charges for waste generated on all residential properties in the Keene Alternate Universal Collection Area for Fiscal Year 2012-2013. It is necessary to annually adopt an Ordinance to establish the collection fees that will be charged on the tax roll for the next fiscal year. The Department recommends **no rate increase** for Fiscal Year 2012-2013, maintaining the fee at \$191.28 per year for single family residential properties.

At the May 8, 2012 meeting of your Board, you set June 5, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing to consider this Ordinance. A Notice of Hearing and Summary of the proposed Ordinance has been published.

The Department recommends that your Board enact the proposed Ordinance, which is summarized below:

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF SOLID WASTE COLLECTION
CHARGES FOR ALL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN THE KEENE ALTERNATE
UNIVERSAL COLLECTION AREA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 (Keene
Alternate Universal Collection Charge Ordinance)**

This Ordinance will also continue the formula for establishing the maximum allowable future rate adjustments by the Board of Supervisors at public hearings, without protest hearings, based on the percentage increase of the annual average Consumer Price Index.

A Report has been filed for your Board's consideration, entitled "Keene Alternate Universal Collection Charges for Fiscal Year 2012-2013," which contains a description of each parcel of real property benefiting from the solid waste collection services, designates the use of each parcel of real property in Kern County as either residential or non-residential, and describes the amount of the proposed service charge for all residential parcels. A copy of this Report has been filed with the Clerk of the Board.

The Department has determined and recommends that your Board find that the purpose of the proposed Keene Alternate Universal Collection Charge Ordinance is to pay for solid waste disposal services through a designated Transfer Station and, therefore, in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA guidelines, this matter is statutorily exempt from and does not require the preparation or recording of any documents with respect to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Department, therefore, recommends that your Board dispense with any such documents with respect to the enactment of the proposed Keene Alternate Universal Collection Charge Ordinance.

The proposed Ordinance has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. The County Administrative Office is aware of this request.

Therefore, **IT IS RECOMMENDED** that your Board open the hearing; receive public comment; close the hearing; make a finding that the project is exempt from CEQA per Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA guidelines; authorize the Clerk of the Board to file the Notice of Exemption; waive reading and enact the Ordinance.

Sincerely,



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Director

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Enclosure: Ordinance, Notice of Exemption

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