DESERT
MANAGERS GROUP

Briefing Statement

Date: January 19, 2006

Title: Illegal Dump Database

Issue: Continuance of the illegal dump database

Discussion

The illegal dump database is under utilized and does not currently contain enough data to be useful. Additionally, the database needs a small group of core users to identify bugs and work with MDEP to develop the desired reports, forms, and a GIS and photo interface.

The illegal dump database was approved by the DMG in 2000 with the vision that it would be useful to:

- Store data pertaining to illegal dumps within the deserts
- Prioritize dumpsites based on risks to the environment and human health and safety
- Provide spatial analysis of dumping which could then be used to target prevention and enforcement

BLM hired a contractor to enter some of its data into the database in 2002 but BLM still has many sites that are not in the database. Currently only MOJA and JOTR have entered all of their dumpsites. The database has a few bugs that need to be resolved. A complete set of forms and reports as well as a photo database and GIS interface still need development. The database will never be a useful tool without these additional developments and absent the data for which it was designed.

At the last HMWG meeting, Kern and San Bernardino Counties expressed a great interest in the database. Riverside County has expressed an interest in the past.

Options

1. Kill the database
2. Continue to keep the database as an "on hold" goal
3. Place the lead for the database with interested counties

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Working Draft Agenda

Illegal Dumping Workshop

Kerr McGee Community Center

March 23, 2006 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM

100 West California Avenue, Ridgecrest

I. REGISTRATION
II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
III. DEFINITION, IMPACT, AND HISTORY OF ILLEGAL DUMPING
IV. PHILOSOPHY AND APPROACH TO ADDRESSING THE PROBLEM
V. PROGRAMS
    a. Educational Programs
        i. Multimedia Outreach
        ii. School Programs: The Clean Kids
        iii. Bulky Waste Collection Events
        iv. Special Waste Collection
        v. Participation in Community and Company Events
    b. Mitigation Programs
        i. Individual Cleanups
        ii. Second District Small Site Cleanups
        iii. Volunteer Community Cleanups
        iv. Code Compliance Cleanups
        v. Tarp Your Trash
        vi. Tire Cleanup Activities
        vii. Construction and Demolition Cleanup Activities
        viii. Large and Mega-site Cleanups
    c. Enforcement Strategies
        i. Current County Enforceable Ordinances
        ii. Code Compliance Citation Program
        iii. Tarp Your Trash Enforcement Program
        iv. Vehicle Seizure Program
        v. Commercial/Mega Site Enforcement Program
VI. TOOLBOX
    a. Contact Information
    b. Procedure and Evidence Gathering
    c. Options/Role-playing
VII. DISCUSSION/EVALUATION WITH WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS

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