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TREATED WOOD WASTE MANAGEMENT

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What has changed?

- Senate Bill 68 (Galgiani, 2020) was vetoed by Governor Newsom
- Health and Safety Code, Section 25150.7 has sunset
- Alternative management standards for treated wood waste (TWW) in Chapter 34 are no longer in effect
- TWW that is a hazardous waste must be managed as such
- No change to the TWW exemption for utilities (HSC 25143.1.5)

What does it mean?

- Municipal landfills are not accepting TWW for disposal
- There is only one hazardous waste landfill in California that is currently accepting TWW
- Many TWW generators are choosing to temporarily accumulate their waste
- Potential for increase in illegal disposal practices

What is DTSC doing about it?

- Developing a variance for TWW management
- Variances will impose conditions similar to the alternative management standards for TWW that existed previously
- DTSC will begin accepting variance applications on Feb 16th
- DTSC will begin issuing variances on March 1st
- Variances are only a short-term solution

Where can I get additional information?

- DTSC website:
 - www.dtsc.ca.gov/toxics-in-products/treated-wood-waste/
- Frequently asked questions on the website
- Fact sheet on the website
- Sign up for the E-List to receive notifications
- Send an email to TWW_help@dtsc.ca.gov