



### **Phase-out Schedule for Open Burning of Raisin Trays**

On June 17, 2021, the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District's (District's) Governing Board voted to approve the District's Supplemental Report and Recommendation on Agricultural Burning. The supplemental report was developed by District staff in close coordination with the California Air Resources Board (CARB), the interested public, and agricultural stakeholders, to address state mandates (SB 705 Florez, 2003) by developing an updated phase-out schedule to achieve the near-complete phase out of agricultural burning in the San Joaquin Valley by January 1, 2025. CARB provided concurrence with the supplemental report on June 18, 2021. As one component of the adopted phase-out requirements, **all raisin tray open burning will be prohibited effective January 1, 2024.**

As the District strives to meet attainment with strict Federal air quality standards, allocation for agricultural burning has become increasingly limited. The District strongly encourages growers with phase-out deadlines to explore alternative means of disposal prior to requesting a burn permit. **Please note that starting January 1, 2024**, raisin paper trays will no longer be a valid crop code on existing agricultural burn permits and no burn permits will be issued for raisin paper trays.

### **Grant Funding Available for Alternatives to Burning Raisin Trays**

On October 19, 2023, the District's Governing Board approved the Incentive Program for Non-Combustion Alternatives to Open Burning of Raisin Trays to assist growers with the cost to utilize alternative disposal methods. Please use this link to learn more about the program, including applications and guidelines (scroll to **Raisin Tray Rebate Program**):

<https://ww2.valleyair.org/grants/ag-burn-alternatives-grant-program/>

The program offers incentive funding for non-burning alternatives such as recycling or waste disposal to all growers for the 2023 harvest season. Accompanying this bulletin is a list of waste haulers that indicated they offer roll-off dumpster services, and a list of disposal sites that indicated they accept raisin trays. Eligibility for incentive funding is based on the criteria below:

<b>Total Farmed Acreage</b>	<b>Incentive</b>	<b>Availability</b>	<b>Alternative Disposal Methods</b>
≤100 acres	Up to \$35/acre	2023-Harvest Season	Roll-Off Dumpster Service, Self-Haul
>100 acres	Up to \$35/acre \$2,000 cap		

Please note that funding will be granted on a first-come first-serve basis. For additional information on this grant opportunity, please contact (559) 230-6000.

## ALTERNATIVE DISPOSAL METHODS

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Incentive funding is available for the disposal of raisin trays through the use of roll-off dumpster services from a waste hauler, or for self-hauling to a disposal site. For questions or assistance, please contact program staff at (559) 230-6000.

### Waste Hauler List

Waste Hauler	Service County	Phone Number
Red Rock Environmental Group	Madera	(559) 665-7300
Republic Services	Fresno	(559) 275-1551
Western Solid Waste	Fresno	(559) 298-5022
Granite Solid Waste	Fresno	(559) 298-3463
Industrial Waste and Salvage	Fresno	(559) 233-1159
Mid Valley Disposal	Fresno & Tulare	(559) 237-9425
Price Environmental	Kern	(661) 831-2653
Superior Sanitation	Kern	(661) 831-3551
Varner Brothers, Inc.	Kern	(661) 399-2944
City of Bakersfield Solid Waste Division	Kern	(661) 326-3114
Kings Waste and Recycling Authority	Kings	(559) 583-8829

Please contact a waste hauler for information on roll-off dumpster services (i.e., sizes, prices, lead-time, etc.). This list is not comprehensive and does not limit your selection.

### Disposal Site List

The following disposal sites have indicated that they can receive raisin trays. Please contact your local disposal site to verify their requirements for receiving raisin trays prior to taking them to the facility.

Disposal Site	Phone Number	City	CA Address
Fairmead Landfill	(559) 665-1310	Chowchilla	21739 Road 19, 93610
American Avenue Landfill	(559) 600-4259	Kerman	18950 W American Ave, 93630
Visalia Landfill	(559) 624-7195	Visalia	8614 Ave 328, 93291
Shafter-Wasco Landfill	(661) 862-8900	Shafter	17621 Scofield Ave, 93263
Avenal Landfill	(559) 386-5844	Avenal	201 Hydril Road, 93204

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