



BIOSOLIDS NEWSLETTER

Celebrating 10 years of Biosolids Program Certification

OCSD is proud to announce that our Biosolids Program has been re-certified by the National Biosolids Partnership (NBP) (www.biosolids.org). We were the first in the nation to be certified and are now celebrating 10 years of this progressive certification.

Read more [here on our webpage](#) or contact *Rachel Van Exel* (rvanexel@ocsd.com or 714.593.7407).



Click for Biosolids Management System
webpage

New 5-year Strategic Plan

OCSD's Board of Directors approved a new Strategic Plan on November 20, 2013.

The Plan includes a new Vision Statement that focuses our efforts on customer service, protecting public health and the environment, fiscal responsibility, communications, partnering with others and creating the best possible workforce. This will be achieved through the goals laid out in the Plan, which involves our collective efforts and provides alignment at all levels of our organization.

The Plan contains new strategic initiatives including energy efficiency and a study of potential biosolids

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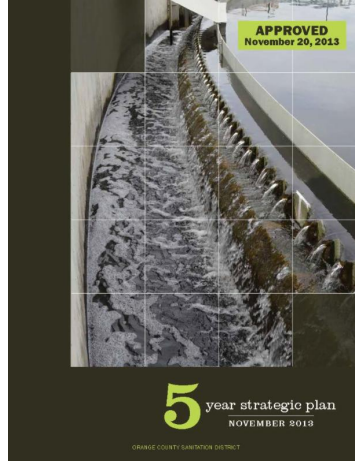
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management options ahead of our anticipated request for proposals in 2016.

The initiatives will be taken into consideration during the upcoming budget process and will go into effect on July 1, 2014 with the adoption of the new budget.

The Plan is available [here](#).



[Click here for Plan](#)

The Orange County Sanitation District provides wastewater treatment to more than 2.5 million residents in North and Central Orange County. We are the third largest wastewater facility west of the Mississippi River and treat over 207 million gallons of wastewater every day. **Take a FREE tour of our Fountain Valley plant and learn more about wastewater treatment!**

Email cscott@ocsd.com to redeem this voucher.

Landfill Update

On November 20, 2013, OCSD's Board awarded a contract to Sierra Transportation Inc. to haul up to 100 tons per day (5-days per week) of biosolids to a local Orange County landfill. Biosolids trucks started hauling to the landfill option on December 2, 2013.



This new option keeps some of our biosolids and revenue in-county while increasing the diversity of biosolids options.

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OCSD OpenGov includes our website:

"We agree to the highest degree of integrity, honesty, trust, and respect in our interaction with each other, our suppliers, our customers, and our community."

We have you that help us to write transparency and openGov. You can take the information we need for our OpenGov website at the top of the page.

Types of information you can find here include:

- State and County** - Our state and county information for directors and members has always been available online to the public for our use. This page includes contracts, benefits and other agreements.
- Contracts** - Financial information and investor relations information is available here.
- OpenGov's Structure** - Here you can find all the past and current agendas and minutes for our various committees and board meetings.

New Biosolids Resources Available

- New Biosolids [fact sheet](#)
- Updated video: [Where do OCSD's Biosolids Go?](#)
- "More Resources" [webpage](#)

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ABOUT... Biosolids

Biosolids Policy: OCSD strives to recycle our biosolids using sustainable options while protecting public health and the environment. Read more: www.ocsan.gov/biosolids

WHAT IS BIOWASTE? - Biosolids are the solid residue left over from the wastewater treatment process. They are a natural byproduct of the wastewater treatment process and are used for various purposes.

HOW ARE BIOWASTES RECYCLED? - OCSD's biosolids are recycled through various methods, including land application, composting, and energy recovery.

WHAT IS THE BIOWASTE PROGRAM? - OCSD's biosolids program is designed to ensure that biosolids are recycled in a safe and responsible manner.

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BIOWASTE PROGRAM CONTRACTOR FACILITIES

We're here for you.

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Thank you for your interest in Orange County Sanitation District's Biosolids Program. Please contact me if you have questions or suggestions on any aspect of our biosolids program, including what you would like to see in these periodic updates.

Thank you,

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