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Patrick A. Craig  
Executive Director  
Salt Lake Valley Solid Waste Management Facility  
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Dear Mr. Craig,

Salt Lake County and its partners work to serve our unsheltered community by extending available services to those directly and indirectly affected by homelessness. Salt Lake County works in a collaborative effort with municipalities and other partners to address the growing environmental and public health challenges of illicit encampments in the County. Solid waste generated at these locations are an environmental health challenge of which multiple agencies share a piece of the solution.

The removal and proper disposal of encampment related solid waste facilitates the restoration of public owned property in our community. Each year 400 – 500 encampment locations are mitigated by this collaborative process. These difficult encampment mitigation efforts are only possible because of the support of municipal, state, and community groups. The Salt Lake Valley Solid Waste Management Facility has partnered with Salt Lake County for several years and has authorized waiving of fees associated with waste brought to the landfill from illicit encampments; this has proven to be a valued partnership that promotes and protects community and environmental health.

On behalf of the Salt Lake County Health Department, in accordance with *Salt Lake Valley Solid Waste Management Facility Fee Waiver Policy and Guidelines (2)(b)*, I am submitting a written request for a waiver of Municipal Solid Waste fees at the facility for an aggregate not to exceed 1500 tons for 2024.

Thank you for your support and consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

Kelly Colopy  
Director