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Scott Baird
Board Chair
Salt Lake Valley Solid Waste Management Council

Dear Mr. Baird,

Salt Lake County continues to work with municipalities and other stakeholders to address the difficult homeless situation across the County by working to connect unsheltered individuals with services, housing and, when necessary, participate in encampment cleanups to mitigate public health hazards to our community. These efforts are only possible because of the support by cities, the state and community groups. The Salt Lake Valley Solid Waste Management facility has partnered in addressing the problem of encampment abatement for several years by waiving fees related to the waste brought to the landfill resulting from these activities.

On behalf of the Salt Lake County Health Department, I am requesting that the Salt Lake Valley Solid Waste Management Council recommend to the Mayor's Office acceptance of our application for a 2021 fee waiver up to 800 tons to cover all combined encampment cleanups that are primarily in the northern part of Salt Lake County. This is an additional 700 tons above the 100 tons approved by the Council in its April meeting. A similar waiver exists with Trans-Jordan Landfill for encampment clean-ups that take place in the south end of the County.

We recognize that the Council *Fee Waiver Policy and Guidelines* waiver states that requests should be at least 90 days in advance of the event, but because of our pandemic response efforts and most notably a very time sensitive roll-out of vaccinations, we were delinquent in our submittal and are further requesting that this advance notice be waived.

Again, I express my appreciation for your support and ask that you favorably consider this request.

Sincerely,

Karen Crompton

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