### CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

#### ORDER R5-2015-0080

### LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC. McKITTRICK WASTE TREATMENT SITE CLASS II DISPOSAL FACILITY CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND CLOSURE KERN COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (hereafter Central Valley Water Board) finds that:

- Liquid Waste Management, Inc. (hereinafter Discharger); a wholly owned subsidiary of USA Waste of California, Inc. (A Delaware Corporation), wholly owned subsidiary of Waste Management, Inc. (a Delaware Corporation); owns and operates the McKittrick Waste Treatment Site (Facility). The Facility is approximately one mile south of the town of McKittrick, in the N ½ of Section 29, T30S, R22E, MDB&M, as shown in Attachment A, which is hereby incorporated into and made part of this Order by this reference. The Facility is a Class II waste disposal site that is regulated under authority given in Water Code section 13000 et seq. and California Code of Regulations, title 27 ("Title 27"), section 20005 et seq.
- 2. The Facility is on a 90-acre property at the intersection of State Highways 33 and 58. The Facility consists of two parcels (East and West Parcels). The East Parcel comprises 50 acres and the West Parcel 40 acres. State Highway 58 crosses the northwest corner of the West Parcel. The entire East Parcel and the majority of the West Parcel lie south of State Highway 58, approximately 0.25 miles west of the intersection of State Highway 33. The Facility comprises Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APN) 157-240-12 (East Parcel) and 157-240-11 (West Parcel).
- 3. The existing permitted area for waste disposal is approximately 27.1 acres within the East Parcel, of which approximately 23.4 acres have been developed. The Discharger proposes to expand the waste disposal area by an additional 23.9 acres for a total disposal area of approximately 51 acres. The Facility consists of five lined Class II waste management units ([WMUs] also referred to as "Modules") and is proposed to consist of an additional four lined WMUs as shown in Attachment B, which is hereby incorporated into and made part of this Order by this reference.
- 4. The Facility has been in operation since 1972 and consists of lined Class II WMUs, closed former Class II surface impoundments, a waste water treatment facility, a drum handling facility, a bioremediation facility, support facilities, and a stormwater sedimentation basin. The waste water treatment facility is used to solidify liquid waste prior to disposal. A soil bioremediation facility is currently permitted at the Facility but to date has not been used.
- 5. On 5 August 2014, the Discharger submitted an amended Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD) as part of the Joint Technical Document (JTD) for the landfill. Staff requested additional information in a 26 September 2014 letter and the final submittal revision to the ROWD/JTD was dated 30 January 2015 and submitted on 18 February 2015. The

information in the ROWD has been used in revising these waste discharge requirements (WDRs). The ROWD contains the applicable information required in Title 27. The ROWD and supporting documents contain information related to the proposed expansion of the permitted waste disposal area by approximately 23.9 acres and proposes the acceptance of treated wood waste.

6. The existing and future WMUs authorized by this Order are described as follows:

<u>wmu</u>	<u>Area</u>	Liner/LCRS <sup>1</sup> Components <sup>2</sup>	Unit Classification <u>&amp; Status</u>
Module A	6.9 acres	Dewatering system and 60-mil high density polyethylene (HDPE) geomembrane, and compacted fill (to achieve 5-foot separation between groundwater and the base of the liner).	Class II, active
		24-inches of compacted clay with a permeability of 1x10 <sup>-6</sup> centimeters per second (cm/s); 60-mil HDPE geomembrane; filter/cushion fabric; 12-inch granular LCRS on the base and a geocomposite LCRS on the side slopes; 12-inch operations layer	
Module B-1	6.9 acres	12-inch compacted soil foundation; reinforced geosynthetic clay liner (GCL); 60-mil HDPE geomembrane; 12-inch granular LCRS on the base and a geocomposite LCRS on the side slopes; 12-inch operations layer	Class II, active
Module B-2	5.2 acres <sup>3</sup>	Same as Module B-1	Class II, active
Module C-1	3.5 acres	Same as Module B-1	Class II, active
Module C-2			
Phase 1	2.9 acres	Same as Module B-1	Class II, active
Phase 2	2.0 acres	Same as Module B-1	Class II, future
Module D	7.5 acres	12-inch compacted soil foundation; reinforced GCL; 60-mil double-textured HDPE geomembrane; geocomposite LCRS; 12-inch operations layer	Class II, future
Module E	5.6 acres	Same as Module D	Class II, future
Module F	4.8 acres	Same as Module D	Class II, future
Module G	6.0 acres	Same as Module D	Class II, future

LCRS – Leachate collection and removal system.<sup>2</sup> All liner systems are composite liner systems unless otherwise noted.<sup>3</sup> Four acres of Module B-2 have been constructed. The remaining 1.2 acres will be constructed with Module C-2.

- 7. On 17 October 2003, the Central Valley Water Board issued WDRs Order No. R5-2003-0160 in which the WMUs at the Facility were classified as a Class II units for the discharge of designated waste. This Order continues to classify the WMUs as Class II units in accordance with Title 27. All Class II surface impoundments were later clean closed in accordance with Title 27.
- 8. This Order implements the applicable regulations for discharges of solid waste to land through Prohibitions, Specifications, Provisions, and monitoring and reporting requirements. Prohibitions, Specifications, and Provisions are listed in Sections A through I of these WDRs below, and in the *Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements for Waste Discharge Requirements for Nonhazardous Solid Waste Discharges Regulated by Subtitle D and/or Title 27*, dated January 2012, (SPRRs), which are attached hereto and made part of this Order. Monitoring and reporting requirements are included in the Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) No. R5-2015-0080 and in the SPRRs. In general, requirements that are either in regulation or otherwise apply to all facilities regulated under Title 27 are considered to be "standard" and are therefore in the SPRRs. Any site-specific changes to a requirement in the SPRRs are included in the wDRs supersedes the requirement in the SPRRs.
- 9. Title 27 contains regulatory standards for discharges of solid waste promulgated by the State Water Board and the California Department of Resources Recovery and Recycling (CalRecycle). In certain instances, this Order cites CalRecycle regulatory sections. Title 27, section 20012 allows the Central Valley Water Board to cite CalRecycle regulations from Title 27 where necessary to protect water quality provided it does not duplicate or conflict with actions taken by the Local Enforcement Agency in charge of implementing CalRecycle's regulations.

# WASTE CLASSIFICATION AND UNIT CLASSIFICATION

10. The Discharger proposes to continue to discharge designated waste to lined Class II WMUs including primarily the following: scrubber wastes; oily wastes; neutralized acid wastes; drilling muds; treated wood waste; brines, tank bottom sediments; miscellaneous oil field waste; sewage sludge; auto shredder waste; water treatment plant sludge; other wastes and sediments from industries and cleanup projects; visgueen; drums and other rigid containers containing waste; and, nonhazardous waste containing total lead in excess of 350 milligrams per kilogram provided that an extract obtained from the waste contains lead concentration of less than 5 milligrams per liter. Liquid waste is solidified onsite prior to disposal. These classified wastes may be discharged only in accordance with Title 27 as required by this Order.

11. Water Code section 13173 defines "Designated Waste" as either of the following:

a. Hazardous waste that has been granted a variance from hazardous waste management requirements pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25143.

b. Nonhazardous waste that consists of, or contains, pollutants that, under ambient environmental conditions at a waste management unit, could be released in concentrations exceeding applicable water quality objectives or that could reasonably be expected to affect beneficial uses of the waters of the state as contained in the appropriate state water quality control plan.

Designated waste can be discharged only at Class I waste management units, or at Class II waste management units which comply with Title 27 and have been approved by the regional board for containment of the particular kind of waste to be discharged.

- 12. The Discharger proposes to continue to discharge treated wood waste in the compositelined units at the landfill. Title 22 defines "treated wood" to mean wood that has been treated with a chemical preservative for purposes of protecting the wood against attacks from insects, microorganisms, fungi, and other environmental conditions that can lead to decay of the wood and the chemical preservative is registered pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. Sec. 136 and following). This may include but is not limited to waste wood that has been treated with chromated copper arsenate (CCA), pentachlorophenol, creosote, acid copper chromate (ACC), ammoniacal copper arsenate (ACA), ammoniacal copper zinc arsenate (ACZA), or chromated zinc chloride (CZC).
- 13. Title 22, section 67386.11 allows treated wood waste to be discharged to a compositelined portion of a landfill unit that meets all the requirements applicable to disposal of municipal solid waste in California after October 9, 1993, and that is regulated by WDRs issued pursuant to the Water Code provided that the landfill owner/operator:
  - a. Comply with the prohibitions in Title 22, section 67386.3, which are:
    - i. Treated wood waste shall not be burned, scavenged, commingled with other waste prior to disposal, stored in contact with the ground, recycled without treatment (except as in iii, below), treated except in compliance with Title 22, section 67386.10, or disposed to land except in compliance with Title 22, section 67386.11.
    - ii. Any label or mark that identifies the wood and treated wood waste shall not be removed, defaced, or destroyed.
    - iii. Treated wood waste may be recycled only by reuse when all of the following apply:
      - (1) Reuse is on-site.
      - (2) Reuse is consistent with FIFRA approved use of the preservative.
      - (3) Prior to reuse, treated wood waste is handled in compliance with Title 22, division 4.5, chapter 34.

- b. Ensure treated wood waste is managed at the landfill according to Title 22, division 4.5, chapter 34 prior to disposal.
- c. Monitor the landfill for a release and if a verified release is detected from the unit where treated wood is discharged, the disposal of treated wood will be terminated at the unit with the verified release until corrective action ceases the release.
- d. Handle treated wood waste in a manner consistent with the applicable sections of the California Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1973.
- 14. Leachate is collected in sumps constructed for each WMU and periodically pumped into a trailer mounted poly-tank. Leachate is profiled, solidified, and disposed of onsite or used for dust control by spraying it over the lined areas of landfill. Leachate may only be applied to the WMU from which it originated. The use of leachate for dust control is not employed during rain events.

## SITE DESCRIPTION

- 15. The Facility is located within the McKittrick Oil Fields in a bowl-shaped topographically low area in the foothills of the east flank of the Temblor Range. The Temblor Range is part of the Southern Coastal Range and is bordered by the San Andreas fault to the west and the San Joaquin Valley to the east. Ground surface elevations at the Facility range from approximately 1,240 feet to 1,340 feet above mean seal level (msl).
- 16. Land use within one mile of the Facility is or has been used for oil and gas exploration and production and cattle grazing.
- 17. There are no municipal, domestic, industrial, or agricultural groundwater supply wells within one mile of the Facility.
- 18. The Facility is underlain by about 12 to 15 feet of fill material or alluvium overlying the Monterey Formation marine shale. The Tulare Formation overlies the Monterey Formation in portions of the western expansion area. Available boring logs indicate that the Monterey Formation is fractured and silicified in the vicinity of the Facility. The McKittrick thrust fault is located along the northeast boundary of the Facility and dips to the southwest. It is a dominant geologic structure and hydrogeologic boundary. The upper portion of the Monterey Formation is generally deeply weathered and highly fractured and is the upper water-bearing zone west of the fault. The younger Ridge Reef Formation consists of weakly consolidated fine- to medium-grained sandstone and is the upper water-bearing zone east of the fault.
- 19. Folded and fractured Upper Miocene Monterey shale underlies the Facility and has resulted in ubiquitous tar and spring seeps on and around the Facility and primarily along the McKittrick thrust fault. A majority of tar and spring seeps lie to the north along the East and West Parcel lines. Shallow groundwater above an elevation of 1,260 feet msl flows towards the northeast and discharges into nearby springs.

- 20. The measured hydraulic conductivity of the native soils underlying the waste management units vary between 4.2x10<sup>-3</sup> cm/s and 3.7x10<sup>-7</sup> cm/s centimeters per second (cm/s). The higher hydraulic conductivities are representative of the shallow groundwater zone (generally less than 100 feet deep), where groundwater flows in highly fractured and weathered bedrock. The lower hydraulic conductivities are representative of the lower groundwater zone (generally greater than 100-feet deep), where the fracture intensity is much less.
- 21. Based on a site-specific seismic analysis, the controlling maximum credible earthquake (MCE) for the site is a moment of magnitude 7.8 event along the San Andreas Fault. It is estimated that a MCE event would produce a peak ground acceleration of 0.34 g at the site.
- 22. The Facility receives an average of 5.50 inches of precipitation per year as measured at the Buttonwillow Station. The mean pan evaporation is 95 inches per year as measured at the Taft KTKR Radio Station.
- 23. The 1,000-year, 24-hour precipitation event for the Facility is estimated to be 3.9 inches, based on information submitted in *Permit Level Design Report, Western Expansion, McKittrick Waste Treatment Site, Kern County, California*, dated September 2013.
- 24. The Facility is not within a 100-year flood plain based on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Map, Community-Panel Number 060075-0950 B.

### SURFACE WATER AND GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS

- 25. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Tulare Lake Basin, Second Edition (hereafter Basin Plan), designates beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives, and contains implementation plans and policies for all waters of the Basin. Groundwater and spring water within a 0.5 mile radius of the Facility are not suitable, or potentially suitable, for municipal or domestic supply.
- 26. Surface water drainage from the Facility is regulated under the *General Permit to Discharge Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activity* adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board in 1997.
- 27. Groundwater occurs beneath the Facility in two zones. The first zone (shallow zone) comprises shallow alluvium and shallow weathered and fractured bedrock and the second zone (deep zone) is deep fractured bedrock. Unconfined conditions are exhibited primarily within the shallow alluvium, whereas unconfined, partially confined, or artesian conditions occur within the bedrock.
- 28. Shallow groundwater flow is unconfined and topographically controlled and flows consistently to the east-northeast with an average gradient of approximately 0.028. Shallow groundwater discharges at several spring locations along the McKittrick thrust fault. The springs are related to a decrease in hydraulic conductivity across the fault zone.

- 29. The Facility currently measures water levels on a semiannual basis. Review of hydrographs submitted with semiannual and annual monitoring reports, which include quarterly groundwater elevation data collected prior to 2008, show no significant change in upgradient versus downgradient position of wells. Additionally, no groundwater production wells exist within a one mile of the MWTS to cause fluctuations in groundwater flow. Semiannual water level measurements are sufficient for determining groundwater flow direction and gradient below the MWTS.
- 30. Deep groundwater flow is toward the southeast with an average gradient of approximately 0.037 and is controlled by fracture flow and the regional drainage system located directly east of the Facility. Deep groundwater flow is parallel to the McKittrick thrust fault. The fault appears to act as an impermeable boundary to deep groundwater flow.
- 31. Formation water in the McKittrick area is generally above 10,000 parts per million of total dissolved solids (TDS) and occurs at depths of several hundred feet below ground surface. Naturally occurring oil, high evaporation rates, percolation through marine sediments, and upwelling connate groundwater (water trapped in sediment at the time of deposition) along faults contribute to the overall poor groundwater quality. Petroleum compounds and the following volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are naturally occurring in groundwater at the Facility: benzene, carbon disulfide, isopropylbenzene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene, n-propylbenzene, and naphthalene.

# GROUNDWATER, UNSATURATED ZONE, AND SURFACE WATER MONITORING

- 32. The existing surface and groundwater monitoring network consists of two spring locations (SP-1 and SP-1A), four monitoring wells (M-4, M-5, M-11, M-12R), and two piezometers (P-15 and M-7) as shown on Attachment B. Shallow zone groundwater occurs below the eastern and western areas and is monitored for the earliest detection of a release. The deep zone groundwater is not monitored for groundwater quality. Several additional piezometers were historically used to assess the groundwater elevation and gradient (MD-4, PD-15, PD-16, P-17, P-21, P-22, P-23, P-24, and P-25). These piezometers are being evaluated for decommissioning as part of the landfill expansion.
- 33. The western expansion area is upgradient of the active eastern area and existing groundwater monitoring wells and springs. Additionally, groundwater flows from the west below the expansion unit to the east-northeast below the active eastern area and towards the existing water quality monitoring points at the point of compliance. The eastern and western areas will also be built out as continuous waste units. Due to these factors, the existing monitoring points would be sufficient to detect a potential release from both the east and west areas. However, due to declining groundwater levels and drought conditions, monitoring points within the DMP have gone dry. This Order requires the Discharger submit an evaluation of its DMP. If the DMP is determined to be inadequate, the Discharger shall include proposed changes and a time schedule to bring its DMP into compliance.

- 34. The Discharger has demonstrated that the installation of unsaturated zone monitoring devices such as suction lysimeters is infeasible based on site hydrogeology. Unsaturated zone monitoring is accomplished through the monitoring of pan lysimeters installed directly beneath or as near as practical below each leachate collection and removal system (LCRS) sump.
- 35. In accordance with the *Proposal for Modifications to the Detection Monitoring* Program, dated 25 July 2001 and approved by Staff on 7 May 2002, possible releases are evaluated using trend analysis for concentrations of both anthropogenic and non-anthropogenic VOCs. Additionally, analytical results for inorganic constituents are not statistically analyzed since they were determined to not be reliable indicators of a release at the Facility due to the naturally occurring poor quality of groundwater beneath the Facility. The approved data evaluation methods are included in MRP No. R5-2015-0080.

## **GROUNDWATER DEGRADATION AND CORRECTIVE ACTION**

36. The anthropogenic VOCs 1,1-Dichloroethane (1,1-DCA) and methyl tertbutyl ether (MTBE) were released to groundwater beneath the site. No other organic or inorganic constituents were identified as part of this release, which was attributed to former unlined surface impoundments. The Facility was placed into a corrective action program (CAP) in 2002, which consisted of monitored natural attenuation. The concentrations of 1,1-DCA and MTBE attenuated to background water quality conditions by 2006 and 2009, respectively. Corrective action for 1,1-DCA and MTBE was deemed complete and the Facility returned to detection monitoring in 2015.

### DESIGN OF WASTE MANAGEMENT UNIT(S)

- 37. Water Code section 13360(a)(1) allows the Central Valley Water Board to specify the design, type of construction, and/or particular manner in which compliance must be met in waste discharge requirements or orders for the discharge of waste at solid waste disposal facilities.
- 38. Title 27 section 20080(b) allows the Central Valley Water Board to consider the approval of an engineered alternative to the prescriptive standard. In order to approve an engineered alternative in accordance with Title 27 section 20080(c)(1) or (2), the Discharger must demonstrate that the prescriptive design is unreasonably and unnecessarily burdensome and will cost substantially more than an alternative which will meet the criteria contained in §20080(b), or would be impractical and would not promote attainment of applicable performance standards. The Discharger must also demonstrate that the proposed engineered alternative(s) provides protection against water quality impairment equivalent to the prescriptive standard in accordance with Title 27 section 20080(b)(2) of Title 27 and that any proposed engineered alternative is consistent with the performance goal in accordance with Title 27 sections 20240, 20250, and 20310.
- 39. The Discharger proposes a liner system which will be designed, constructed, and operated to prevent migration of wastes from the Unit to adjacent natural geologic materials, groundwater, or surface water during disposal operations, closure, and the

postclosure maintenance period in accordance with the criteria set forth in Title 27 for Class II WMUs.

- 40. The Discharger has demonstrated that the prescriptive design is unreasonably and unnecessarily burdensome and will cost substantially more than an alternative which will meet the criteria contained in §20080(b). The Discharger has also demonstrated that the proposed engineered alternative is consistent with the performance goals of the containment structures for a Class II WMUs and affords equivalent protection against water quality impairment.
- 41. The Discharger proposes a liner system for the Class II WMUs consisting of the following, from bottom to top:
  - a. 12-inch prepared soil subgrade foundation;
  - b. a reinforced double-sided geotextile carrier type GCL;
  - c. a 60-mil double-sided textured HDPE geomembrane;
  - d. a double-sided LCRS geocomposite (non-woven geotextile/HDPE geonet bonded on both sides);
  - e. 12-inch minimum thick operations layer.
- 42. The LCRS will drain to a sump where leachate is collected. A leak detection system (LDS) in the form a pan lysimeter will be constructed beneath the western expansion LCRS sump. The Discharger proposes a LDS consisting of the following, from bottom to top:
  - a. 12-inch prepared subgrade foundation;
  - b. a reinforced geotextile carrier type GCL;
  - c. a 60-mil HDPE geomembrane;
  - d. a double-sided LCRS geocomposite (non-woven geotextile/HDPE geonet bonded on both sides);
  - e. 18-inch minimum thick layer of granular material with a hydraulic conductivity of 1cm/s, in the floor area of the LDS to accommodate the LDS riser pipe;
  - f. a reinforced geotextile carrier type GCL;
  - g. 24-inch compacted clay liner with a hydraulic conductivity of  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/s or less.
- 43. Construction can proceed only after all applicable construction quality assurance plans have been approved by Executive Officer.

# LANDFILL CLOSURE

- 44. Title 27, section 21090 provides the minimum prescriptive final cover components for landfills consisting of, in ascending order, the following layers:
  - a. Two-foot soil foundation layer.
  - b. One-foot soil low flow-hydraulic conductivity layer, less than 1x10<sup>-6</sup> cm/s or equal to the hydraulic conductivity of any bottom liner system.
  - c. Geomembrane layer (this layer is required for composite-lined landfills for equivalency to bottom liner).
  - d. One-foot soil erosion resistant/vegetative layer.
- 45. Title 27 allows engineered alternative final covers provided the alternative design will provide a correspondingly low flow-through rate throughout the post-closure maintenance period.
- 46. The Discharger submitted a February 2015 *Preliminary Closure and Postclosure Maintenance Plan* for closure and post-closure maintenance of all the landfill units at the Facility.
- 47. The Discharger proposes an engineered alternative final cover consisting of, in ascending order, the following layers:
  - a. Prepared foundation layer.
  - b. 3-foot thick evapotranspirative (ET) soil layer.
  - c. Vegetative layer (included as part of the 3-foot thick ET soil layer).
- 48. The Discharger submitted a January 2010 *Design Report, Alternative Final Cover, McKittrick Waste Treatment Site* for the proposed final cover, which was approved by Central Valley Water Board staff on 28 April 2010.
- 49. The Discharger has demonstrated that the engineered alternative final cover meets the performance goals of Title 27 and that it is equivalent to the prescriptive standard.
- 50. Side slopes for the closed landfill will be sloped at 3H:1V and will include 20-foot wide benches every 50 vertical feet as required by Title 27.
- 51. The Discharger performed a slope stability analysis for the proposed final cover. The Discharger's static and dynamic stability analysis demonstrates that the side slopes of the final cover will be stable in accordance with the requirements of Title 27.
- 52. Pursuant to Title 27, section 21090(e)(1), this Order requires a survey of the final cover following closure activities for later comparison with iso-settlement surveys required to be conducted every five years.

53. This Order approves the proposed final cover and requires that a final closure and postclosure maintenance plan, design documents, and CQA plan be submitted for review and approval at least 180 days prior to actual closure.

## LANDFILL POST-CLOSURE MAINTENANCE

The Discharger submitted an August 2014 *Preliminary Closure and Postclosure Maintenance Plan* for closure and post-closure maintenance. The plan includes inspection, maintenance, and monitoring of the landfill during the post-closure maintenance period, and includes a post-closure maintenance cost estimate for the entire facility. Inspection and maintenance will include the condition of the final cover, drainage features, LCRS, groundwater monitoring wells, unsaturated zone monitoring points, access roads, and site security. The plan will be implemented for a minimum period of 30 years or until the waste no longer poses a threat to environmental quality, whichever is greater.

### FINANCIAL ASSURANCES

- 54. Title 27, sections 21820 and 22206 require a cost estimate for landfill closure for the existing and proposed expansion WMUs. The Discharger submitted an updated closure cost estimate in the ROWD. The total amount of the closure cost estimate in 2014 dollars is \$3.9 million. This Order requires that the Discharger maintain financial assurance with the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) in at least the amount of the closure cost estimate.
- 55. Title 27, sections 21840 and 22211 requires a cost estimate for landfill post-closure maintenance for the existing and proposed expansion WMUs. The Discharger submitted an updated post-closure cost estimate in the ROWD. The amount of the cost estimate for post-closure maintenance in 2014 dollars is \$4.3 million. This Order requires that the Discharger maintain financial assurance with CalRecycle in at least the amount of the post-closure maintenance cost estimate adjusted annually for inflation.
- 56. Title 27, section 22221 requires a cost estimate for corrective action of all known or reasonably foreseeable releases. The Discharger submitted a 2014 cost estimate of \$0.1 million for corrective action of all known or reasonably foreseeable releases. This Order requires that the Discharger maintain financial assurance with the CalRecycle in at least the amount of the cost estimate adjusted annually for inflation.
- 57. Title 27 section 22101 requires a cost estimate for non-water release corrective action. The Discharger submitted a 2014 cost estimate of \$0.02 million for non-water release corrective action. Title 27 section 22221 requires establishment of financial assurances in the amount of an approved water release corrective action estimate or an approved nonwater release corrective action cost estimate, whichever is greater.

# **CEQA AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

- 58. On 10 December 2013, the Kern County Board of Supervisors certified the final environmental impact report for the Facility and adopted a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan for the expansion of the existing Facility into the 40-acre West Parcel.
- 59. This order implements:
  - a. Water Quality Control Plan for the Tulare Lake Basin, Second Edition.
  - b. The prescriptive standards and performance goals of California Code of Regulations, title 27, section 20005 et seq., effective 18 July 1997, and subsequent revisions.
- 60. Based on the threat and complexity of the discharge, the Facility is determined to be classified 3-B as defined below:
  - a. Category 3 threat to water quality, defined as, "Those discharges of waste that could degrade water quality without violating water quality objectives, or could cause a minor impairment of designated beneficial uses as compared with Category 1 and Category 2."
  - b. Category B complexity, defined as, "Any discharger not included in Category A that has physical, chemical, or biological treatment systems (except for septic systems with subsurface disposal), or any Class 2 or Class 3 waste management units."
- 61. Groundwater and spring water within a 0.5 mile radius of the Facility are not suitable, or potentially suitable, for municipal or domestic supply. Furthermore, this Order requires full containment of wastes and does not permit degradation of surface water or groundwater. Therefore, further anti-degradation analysis is not needed. The discharge is consistent with the anti-degradation provisions of State Water Resources Control Board Resolution No. 68.16.
- 62. Water Code section 13267(b) provides that: "In conducting an investigation specified in subdivision (a), the Regional Board may require that any person who has discharged, discharges, or is suspected of having discharge or discharging, or who proposed to discharge within its region, or any citizen or domiciliary, or political agency or entity of this state who had discharged, discharges, or is suspected of having discharged or discharging, or who proposed to discharge waste outside of its region that could affect the quality of the waters of the state within its region shall furnish, under penalty of perjury, technical or monitoring program reports which the board requires. The burden, including costs of these reports, shall bear a reasonable relationship to the need for the reports and the benefits to be obtained from the reports.
- 63. The technical reports required by this Order and the attached "Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R5-2015-0080" are necessary to assure compliance with these waste discharge requirements. The Discharger owns and operates the Facility that discharges the waste subject to this Order.

## PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

- 64. All local agencies with jurisdiction to regulate land use, solid waste disposal, air pollution, and to protect public health have approved the use of this site for the discharges of waste to land stated herein.
- 65. The Central Valley Water Board notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for this discharge, and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
- 66. The Central Valley Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to California Water Code sections 13263 and 13267, that Order No. R5-2003-0160 is rescinded except for purposes of enforcement for violations that occurred prior to the adoption of this Order, and that Liquid Waste Management, Inc., its agents, successors, and assigns, in order to meet the provisions of Division 7 of the California Water Code and the regulations adopted thereunder, shall comply with the following:

# A. PROHIBITIONS

- 1. The discharge of 'hazardous waste' is prohibited. For the purposes of this Order, the term 'hazardous waste' is as defined in California Code of Regulations, Title 23, section 2510 et seq.
- 2. The discharge of solid waste or liquid waste to surface waters, surface water drainage courses, or groundwater is prohibited.
- 3. The discharge of wastes outside of a waste management unit (WMUs) or portions of a WMU specifically designed for their containment is prohibited.
- 4. The Discharger shall comply with all Standard Prohibitions listed in Section C of the Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements for Waste Discharge Requirements for Nonhazardous Solid Waste Discharges Regulated by Subtitle D and/or Title 27, dated January 2012, (SPRRs).
- 5. Discharge of municipal solid waste, except on-site generated dry trash, is prohibited.

# **B. DISCHARGE SPECIFICATIONS**

1. The discharge shall not cause a condition of pollution or nuisance as defined by the Water Code section 13050.

- 2. Prior to the discharge of waste to a Class II WMU, all water wells within 500 feet of the unit shall have sanitary seals or shall be properly abandoned. A record of the sealing and/or abandonment of such wells shall be sent to the Central Valley Water Board and to the State Department of Water Resources.
- The Discharger shall discharge treated wood wastes only to landfill units equipped with a composite liner system and a LCRS. If a verified release is detected from the WMU where treated wood is disposed, the disposal of treated wood shall be terminated at the unit with the verified release until corrective action ceases the release.
- 4. The Discharger shall manage treated wood waste in accordance with California Health and Safety Code sections 25143.1.5 and 25150.7 and shall comply with all prohibitions listed in Title 22, section 67386.3.
- 5. The Discharger may not use any material as alternative daily cover (ADC) that is not listed as approved ADC in the Findings of these WDRs unless and until the Discharger has demonstrates it meets the requirements in Title 27, section 20705, and the Discharger has received approval that it may begin using the material as ADC.
- 6. The Discharger shall use approved ADC only in internal areas of the landfill that do not drain outside of the limits of the contiguous landfill units unless the Discharger demonstrates that runoff from the particular ADC is not a threat to surface water quality and the demonstration has been approved. This demonstration may take removal of sediment or suspended solids into account for landfills where surface water drains to a sedimentation basin.
- 7. The Discharger shall, in a timely manner, remove and relocate any wastes discharged at this facility in violation of this Order. If the Discharger is unable to remove and relocate the waste, the Discharger shall submit a report to the Central Valley Water Board explaining how the discharge occurred, why the waste cannot be removed, and any updates to the waste acceptance program necessary to prevent re-occurrence. If the waste is a hazardous waste, the Discharger shall immediately notify the Department of Toxic Substances Control.
- 8. Leachate and/or landfill gas condensate may be returned only to composite lined modules listed in Finding 6 of this Order in accordance with Standard Discharge Specifications D.2 through D.4 of the SPRRs.
- 9. The Discharger shall comply with all Standard Discharge Specifications listed in Section D of the SPRRs.

# C. FACILITY SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. Annually, prior to the anticipated rainy season but no later than **1 November**, any necessary construction, maintenance, or repairs of precipitation and drainage control facilities shall be completed and reported in compliance with MRP No. R5-2015-0080.
- 2. The Discharger shall comply with all Standard Facility Specifications listed in Section E of the SPRRs.

# D. DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. The Discharger shall comply with all Standard Design and Construction Specifications listed in Section E of the SPRRs.
- 2. The Discharger shall construct the liner system of new Class II WMUs as described in Finding 6 of this Order in accordance with the following approved liner design (from bottom to top):
  - a. 12-inch prepared soil subgrade foundation;
  - b. a reinforced double-sided geotextile carrier type GCL;
  - c. a 60-mil double-sided textured HDPE geomembrane;
  - d. a double-sided LCRS geocomposite (non-woven geotextile/HDPE geonet bonded on both sides);
  - e. 12-inch minimum thick operations layer.
- 3. The Discharger shall construct the LDS beneath any LCRS sump in the western expansion in accordance with the following approved design (from bottom to top):
  - a. 12-inch prepared subgrade foundation;
  - b. a reinforced geotextile carrier type GCL
  - c. a 60-mil HDPE geomembrane;
  - d. a double-sided LCRS geocomposite (non-woven geotextile/HDPE geonet bonded on both sides);
  - e. 18-inch minimum thick layer of granular material with a hydraulic conductivity of 1cm/s, in the floor area of the LDS to accommodate the LDS riser pipe;
  - f. a reinforced geotextile carrier type GCL;
  - g. 24-inch compacted clay liner with a hydraulic conductivity of  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/s or less.

- 4. The Discharger shall not proceed with liner construction (other than earth moving and grading in preparation for liner construction) until the construction plans, specifications, and all applicable construction quality assurance plans have been approved by the Executive Officer.
- 5. The Discharger may propose changes to the liner system design prior to construction, provided that approved components are not eliminated, the engineering properties of the components are not substantially reduced, and the proposed liner system results in the protection of water quality equal to or greater than the design prescribed by Title 27 and this Order. The proposed changes may be made following approval by the Executive Officer. Substantive changes to the design require reevaluation as an engineered alternative and approval by the Central Valley Water Board in revised WDRs.

## E. CLOSURE AND POST-CLOSURE MAINTENANCE SPECIFICATIONS

- Prior to closure, the Discharger shall submit a Final Closure and Post-Closure Maintenance Plan prepared by a California-registered civil engineer or certified engineering geologist, and that contains all applicable information required in Title 27 section 21769. The plan shall include any closure/post-closure elements proposed in the ROWD, and shall meet the requirements of this Order.
- 2. The Discharger shall close landfill units with a final cover as proposed in the *Design Report, Alternative Final Cover, McKittrick Waste Treatment Site,* dated January 2010, and as approved by this Order. The components of the approved final cover as proposed are listed in Finding 47.
- 3. The Discharger shall obtain revised WDRs prior to closure with any other final cover design than the design or designs approved in this Order, except when modifications are necessary for problematic areas of the final cover needing repair so long as the barrier layer remains intact, and the modifications are approved by Central Valley Water Board staff.
- 4. The Discharger shall comply with all Standard Closure and Post-Closure Specifications listed in Section G and all Standard Construction Specifications that are applicable to closure in Section F of the SPRRs.

# F. FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

1. The Discharger shall obtain and maintain assurances of financial responsibility with CalRecycle for closure and post-closure maintenance for the landfill in at least the amounts described in Findings 54 and 55, adjusted for inflation annually. A report regarding financial assurances for closure and post-closure maintenance shall be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board by **1 October of each year**. This may be the same report that is submitted to CalRecycle for this purpose. If CalRecycle determines that either the amount of coverage or the mechanism is inadequate, then within 90 days of notification, the Discharger shall submit an acceptable mechanism to CalRecycle and the Central Valley Water Board for at least the amount of the approved cost estimate.

- 2. The Discharger shall update the preliminary closure and post-closure maintenance plan (PCPCMP) any time there is a change that will increase the amount of the closure and/or post-closure maintenance cost estimate. The updated PCPCMP shall be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board, the Local Enforcement Agency, and CalRecycle. The PCPCMP shall meet the requirements of Title 27, section 21769(b), and include a lump sum estimate of the cost of carrying out all actions necessary to close each unit, to prepare detailed design specifications, to develop the final closure and post-closure maintenance plan, and to carry out the first thirty years of post-closure maintenance. Reports regarding financial assurance required in F.1 above shall reflect the updated cost estimate.
- 3. The Discharger shall obtain and maintain assurances of financial responsibility with CalRecycle for initiating and completing corrective action for all known or reasonably foreseeable releases from the landfill in at least the amount of the annual inflation-adjusted cost estimate described in Finding 56. A report regarding financial assurances for corrective action shall be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board by **1 October of each year**. This may be the same report that is submitted to CalRecycle for this purpose. If CalRecycle determines that either the amount of coverage or the mechanism is inadequate, then within 90 days of notification, the Discharger shall submit an acceptable mechanism to CalRecycle and the Central Valley Water Board for at least the amount of the approved cost estimate.
- 4. The Discharger shall comply with all Standard Financial Assurance Specifications listed in Section H of the SPRRs.

# G. MONITORING SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. The Discharger shall comply with the detection monitoring program provisions of Title 27 for groundwater, surface water, and the unsaturated zone, and in accordance with Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) No. R5-2015-0080, and the Standard Monitoring Specifications listed in Section I of the SPRRs.
- The Discharger shall, for any waste management unit in a corrective action monitoring program, comply with the corrective action monitoring program provisions of Title 27, MRP No. R5-2015-0080, and the Standard Monitoring Specifications listed in Section I of SPRRs.
- 3. The Discharger shall comply with the Water Quality Protection Standard as specified in this Order, MRP No. R5-2015-0080, and the SPRRs.
- 4. The concentrations of the constituents of concern in waters passing the Point of Compliance (defined pursuant to Title 27, section 20164 as a vertical surface located at the hydraulically downgradient limit of the waste management unit that extends through

the uppermost aquifer underlying the unit) shall not exceed the concentration limits established pursuant to MRP No. R5-2015-0080. Concentration limits are not prepared for the Facility as inorganic constituents are not reliable indicators of a release and analytical results for inorganic constituents will not be statistically analyzed. Possible releases from the Facility are evaluated statistically using trend analysis of VOC concentrations.

- 5. At the time Order R5-2003-0160 was adopted, the Discharger's detection monitoring program (DMP) for groundwater at the landfill satisfied the requirements contained in Title 27. However, due to declining groundwater levels and drought conditions, monitoring wells within the DMP have gone dry. **By 30 April 2016,** the Discharger shall submit an evaluation of its DMP. If the DMP is determined to be inadequate, the Discharger shall include proposed changes and a time schedule to bring its DMP into compliance.
- 6. For each monitoring event, the Discharger shall determine whether the waste management unit is in compliance with the Water Quality Protection Standard using procedures specified in MRP No. R5-2015-0080 and the applicable Standard Monitoring Specifications in Section I of the SPRRs.
- The Discharger shall comply with applicable portions of the Standard Monitoring Specifications and Response to a Release specifications listed in Sections I and J of the SPRRs.

# **H. PROVISIONS**

- 1. The Discharger shall comply with the applicable portions of the SPRRs. The SPRRs contain important provisions and requirements with which the Discharger must comply. A violation of any of the SPRRs is a violation of these waste discharge requirements.
- 2. Pursuant to Water Code section 13267, the Discharger shall comply with Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R5-2015-0080, which is hereby incorporated into and made part of this Order by this reference. This compliance includes, but is not limited to, maintenance of waste containment facilities and precipitation and drainage controls and monitoring groundwater, the unsaturated zone, and surface waters throughout the active life of the waste management units and any applicable post-closure maintenance period. A violation of Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R5-2015-0080 is a violation of these waste discharge requirements.
- 3. Prior to discharging waste to a Class II WMU, the Discharger shall establish Financial Assurance funds for closure and corrective action.
- 4. The Discharger shall maintain a copy of this Order at the Facility and make it available at all times to Facility operating personnel, who shall be familiar with its contents, and to regulatory agency personnel.

- 5. The Discharger shall comply with all applicable provisions Title 27 that are not specifically referred to in this Order.
- 6. The Discharger shall, in a timely manner, remove and relocate any wastes discharged at this Facility in violation of this Order and of the California Water Code.
- 7. The Discharger shall immediately notify the Central Valley Water Board of any flooding, equipment failure, slope failure, or other change in site conditions which could impair the integrity of waste or leachate containment facilities or precipitation and drainage control structures.
- 8. In the event of any change in control or ownership of the Facility or disposal areas, the Discharger must notify the succeeding owner or operator of the existence of this Order by letter, a copy of which shall be immediately forwarded to this office. To assume operation as Discharger under this Order, the succeeding owner or operator must apply in writing to the Executive Officer requesting transfer of the Order. The request must contain the requesting entity's full legal name, the state of incorporation if a corporation, the name and address and telephone number of the persons responsible for contact with the Central Valley Water Board, and a statement. The statement shall comply with the signatory paragraph of General Provision K.2.e in the SPRRs and state that the new owner or operator assumes full responsibility for compliance with this Order. Failure to submit the request shall be considered a discharge without requirements, a violation of the California Water Code. Transfer shall be approved or disapproved by the Executive Officer.
- 9. All technical reports required herein that involve planning, investigation, evaluation, or design, or other work requiring interpretation and proper application of engineering or geologic sciences, shall be prepared by or under the direction of persons registered to practice in California pursuant to California Business and Professions Code sections 6735, 7835, and 7835.1. As required by these laws, completed technical reports must bear the signature(s) and seal(s) of the registered professional(s) in a manner such that all work can be clearly attributed to the professional responsible for the work.
- 10. The following reports shall be submitted pursuant to Section 13267 of the California Water Code:

<u>Task</u>

Compliance Date

# A. Construction Plans

Submit construction and design plans for review and approval.

90 days prior to proposed construction

# **B.** Construction Report

Submit a construction report for review and approval upon completion demonstrating construction was in accordance with approved construction plans.

## **D. Final Closure Plans**

Submit a final or partial final closure and post-closure maintenance plan, design plans, and CQA plan for review and approval.

### E. Financial Assurance Review

Annual Review of Financial Assurance for<br/>Post-closure maintenance.1 October of each yearAnnual Review of Financial Assurance for1 October of each year

initiating and completing corrective action.

## F. Monitoring

Submit an evaluation of the detection monitoring program (DMP). If DMP is determined to be inadequate, include proposed changes and a time schedule to bring DMP into compliance. (See Monitoring Specification G.5) By 30 April 2016

60 days prior to proposed

Two years prior to closure

discharge

- 11. In the event of any change in ownership of this waste management Facility, the Discharger shall notify the succeeding owner or operator in writing of the existence of this Order. A copy of that notification shall be sent to the Central Valley Water Board.
- 12. The Central Valley Water Board will review this Order periodically and may revise requirements when necessary.
- 13. This Order shall take effect upon the date of adoption.
- 14. The Discharger shall comply with all General Provision listed in Section K of the SPRRs.

If, in the opinion of the Executive Officer, the Discharger fails to comply with the provisions of this Order, the Executive Officer may refer this matter to the Attorney General for judicial enforcement, may issue a complaint for administrative civil liability, or may take other

enforcement actions. Failure to comply with this Order or with the WDRs may result in the assessment of administrative civil liability pursuant to the Water Code, including sections 13268, 13350, and 13385. The Central Valley Water Board reserves its right to take any enforcement actions authorized by law.

Any person aggrieved by this action of the Central Valley Water Board may petition the State Water Board to review the action in accordance with Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, Title 23, sections 2050 and following. The State Water Board must receive the petition by 5:00 p.m., 30 days after the date that this Order becomes final, except that if the thirtieth day following the date that this Order becomes final falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on the next business day.

Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions may be found on the Internet at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public\_notices/petitions/water\_quality

or will be provided upon request.

I, PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 5 June 2015.

Original signed by:

PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer

#### CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

### MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. R5-2015-0080 FOR LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC McKITTRICK WASTE TREATMENT SITE CLASS II DISPOSAL FACILITY CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND CLOSURE KERN COUNTY

This Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) is issued pursuant to California Water Code section 13267 and incorporates requirements for groundwater, surface water, and unsaturated zone monitoring and reporting; facility monitoring, maintenance, and reporting; and financial assurances reporting contained in California Code of Regulations, title 27, section 20005, et seq. (hereafter Title 27), Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2015-0080, and the *Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements for Waste Discharge Requirements for Nonhazardous Solid Waste Discharges Regulated by Subtitle D and/or Title 27*, dated January 2012, (SPRRs). Compliance with this MRP is ordered by the WDRs and the Discharger shall not implement any changes to this MRP unless a revised MRP is issued by the Central Valley Water Board or the Executive Officer.

### A. MONITORING

The Discharger shall comply with the detection monitoring program provisions of Title 27 for groundwater, surface water, and the unsaturated zone in accordance with Standard Monitoring Specifications in Section I of the SPRRs and the Monitoring Specifications in Section G of the WDRs. Except as modified by this MRP, all monitoring shall be conducted in accordance with an approved Site Specific Groundwater Monitoring Plan, which includes quality assurance/quality control standards, and any subsequent approved revisions thereto.

All compliance monitoring wells established for the detection monitoring program shall constitute the monitoring points for the groundwater Water Quality Protection Standard. All detection monitoring program groundwater monitoring wells, unsaturated zone monitoring devices, leachate, and surface water monitoring points shall be sampled and analyzed for monitoring parameters and constituents of concern (COCs) as indicated and listed in Tables I through V.

The Discharger may use alternative analytical test methods, including new USEPA approved methods, provided the methods have method detection limits equal to or lower than the analytical methods specified in this Monitoring and Reporting Program, and are identified in the approved Site Specific Groundwater Monitoring Plan.

The monitoring program of this MRP includes:

- SectionMonitoring ProgramA.1Groundwater MonitoringA.2Unsaturated Zone MonitoringA.3Leachate Monitoring and LCRS Testing
- A.4 Facility Monitoring

### 1. Groundwater Monitoring

The Discharger shall operate and maintain a groundwater detection monitoring system that complies with the applicable provisions of Title 27, sections 20415 and 20420. The detection monitoring system shall be certified by a California-licensed professional civil engineer or geologist as meeting the requirements of Title 27. The current groundwater detection monitoring system meets the applicable requirements of Title 27. The Discharger shall revise the groundwater detection monitoring system (after review and approval by Central Valley Water Board staff) as needed each time a new landfill cell or module is constructed.

The current groundwater monitoring network shall consist of the following:

Well/Spring	<u>Zone</u>
SP-1	Shallow
SP-1A	Shallow
M-4	Shallow
M-5	Shallow
M-11	Shallow
M-12R	Shallow

Groundwater samples shall be collected from the wells, springs, and any additional wells added as part of the approved groundwater monitoring system. The collected samples shall be analyzed for the parameters and constituents listed in Table I in accordance with the specified methods and frequencies. The Discharger shall collect, preserve, and transport groundwater samples in accordance with the approved Site Specific Groundwater Monitoring Plan.

**Semiannually**, the Discharger shall measure the groundwater elevation in each well and any additional piezometers, determine groundwater flow direction, and estimate groundwater flow rates in the uppermost aquifer and in any zones of perched water and in any additional portions of the zone of saturation monitored. The results shall be reported semiannually, including the times of expected highest and lowest elevations of the water levels in the wells, pursuant to Title 27, section 20415(e)(15).

Samples collected for the COC monitoring specified in Table I shall be collected and analyzed in accordance with the methods listed in Table V every five years. Five-year COCs were last monitored in 2013 and shall be monitored again in **2018.** The results shall be reported in the Annual Monitoring Report for the year in which the samples were collected.

#### 2. Unsaturated Zone Monitoring

The Discharger shall operate and maintain an unsaturated zone detection monitoring system that complies with the applicable provisions of Title 27, sections 20415 and 20420. The current unsaturated zone detection monitoring system meets the applicable requirements of Title 27. The unsaturated zone monitoring system, approved by the Central Valley Water Board staff, consists of pan lysimeters installed at the lowest point of each unit located directly below or a near a practicable below the primary leachate collection and removal system (LCRS) sump.

Pan lysimeters shall be inspected for the presence of liquid **monthly**. If liquid is detected in a previously dry pan lysimeter, the Discharger shall verbally notify Central Valley Water Board staff within **seven days** and shall immediately sample and test the liquid for Field and Monitoring Parameters listed in Table II. Samples collected for the 5-year COC analyses specified in Table II shall be collected and analyzed in accordance with the methods listed in Table V every five years, beginning again in **2018**.

The Discharger shall collect, preserve, and transport samples in accordance with the quality assurance/quality control standards contained in the approved Site Specific Groundwater Monitoring Plan.

Monitoring results for the unsaturated zone shall be included in monitoring reports and shall include an evaluation of potential impacts of the facility on the unsaturated zone and compliance with the Water Quality Protection Standard.

### 3. Leachate Monitoring and Annual LCRS Testing

**Leachate Monitoring:** The Discharger shall operate and maintain LCRS sumps, conduct monitoring of any detected leachate seeps, and conduct annual testing of each LCRS in accordance with Title 27 and this monitoring program.

The current LCRS leachate sump monitoring points are located in Modules A, B-1, B-2, and C-1. Module C-2 Phase 1 and future Phase 2 drain into the Module B-2 Sump. The expansion area drains into one LCRS sump located in the low point of the proposed expansion area.

All LCRS sumps shall be inspected monthly for the presence of leachate, and flow shall be recorded in accordance with Table III. If leachate is detected in a previously dry sump, the Discharger shall verbally notify Central Valley Water Board staff within **seven days** and shall immediately sample and test the leachate for Field and Monitoring Parameters listed in Table III. Leachate in the LCRS sump shall then be sampled for all parameters and constituents in accordance with the frequencies listed in Table III whenever liquid is present. All LCRS sump samples shall be analyzed for the 5-year COCs specified in Table III every five years.

**Annual LCRS Testing:** All LCRSs shall be tested annually pursuant to Title 27, section 20340(d) to demonstrate proper operation. The results of these tests shall be reported to the Central Valley Water Board in the Annual Monitoring Report and shall include comparisons with earlier tests made under comparable conditions.

### 4. Facility Monitoring

#### a. Annual Facility Inspection

Annually, prior to the anticipated rainy season, but no later than **30 September**, the Discharger shall conduct an inspection of the facility. The inspection shall assess repair and maintenance needed for drainage control systems, cover systems, and groundwater monitoring wells; and shall assess preparedness for winter conditions (including but not limited to erosion and sedimentation control). The Discharger shall take photos of any problems areas before and after repairs. Any necessary construction, maintenance, or repairs shall be completed by **31 October**. Annual facility inspection reporting shall be submitted as required in Section B.3 of this MRP.

### b. Major Storm Events

The Discharger shall inspect all precipitation, diversion, and drainage facilities and all landfill side slopes for damage **within 7 days** following major storm events capable of causing damage or significant erosion. The Discharger shall take photos of any problems areas before and after repairs. Necessary repairs shall be completed **within 30 days** of the inspection. Notification and reporting requirements for major storm events shall be conducted as required in Section B.4 of this MRP.

#### c. Five-Year Iso-Settlement Survey for Closed Units

For closed landfill units, the Discharger shall conduct a five-year iso-settlement survey and produce an iso-settlement map accurately depicting the estimated total change in elevation of each portion of the final cover's low-hydraulic-conductivity layer. For each portion of the landfill, this map shall show the total lowering of the surface elevation of the final cover, relative to the baseline topographic map [Title 27, section 21090(e)(1 & 2)]. Reporting shall be in accordance with Section B.5 of this MRP.

#### d. Standard Observations

The Discharger shall conduct Standard Observations at the landfill in accordance with this section of the MRP. Standard observations shall be conducted in accordance with the following schedule:

Landfill Unit Type	Frequency	<u>Season</u>
Active	Weekly	Wet: 1 October to 30 April
Active	Monthly	Dry: 1 May to 30 September
Inactive/Closed	Monthly	Wet: 1 October to 30 April
Inactive/Closed	Quarterly	Dry: 1 May to 30 September

The Standard Observations shall include:

- 1) For the landfill units:
  - a) Evidence of ponded water at any point on the landfill outside of any contact storm water/leachate diversions structures on the active face (show affected area on map); and
  - b) Evidence of erosion and/or of day-lighted refuse.
- 2) Along the perimeter of the landfill units:
  - a) Evidence of leachate seeps, estimated size of affected area, and flow rate (show affected area on map); and
  - b) Evidence of erosion and/or of day-lighted refuse.
- 3) For receiving waters:
  - a) Floating and suspended materials of waste origin presence or absence, source, and size of affected area; and
  - b) Discoloration and turbidity description of color, source, and size of affected area.

Results of Standard Observations shall be submitted in the semiannual monitoring reports required in Section B.1 of this MRP.

#### B. REPORTING

The Discharger shall submit the following reports in accordance with the required schedule:

#### **Reporting Schedule**

<u>Section</u> B.1	<u>Report</u> Semiannual	End of Reporting Period 30 June, 31 December	<u>Due Date</u> 1 September, 1 March
B.2	Monitoring Report Annual Monitoring Report	31 December	1 March
B.3	Seep Reporting	Continuous	Immediately & 7 Days
B.4	Annual Facility	31 October	15 November
	Inspection Report		
B.5	Major Storm Event Reporting	Continuous	7 days from damage discovery
B.6	Survey and Iso-	Every Five Years	At Closure Completion
	Settlement Map for Closed Landfills		and Every Five Years
B.7	Financial Assurances Report	31 December	1 October

#### **Reporting Requirements**

The Discharger shall submit monitoring reports **semiannually** with the data and information as required in this Monitoring and Reporting Program and as required in WDRs Order No. R5-2015-0080 and the Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements (particularly Section I: "Standard Monitoring Specifications" and Section J: "Response to a Release"). In reporting the monitoring data required by this program, the Discharger shall arrange the data in tabular form so that the date, the constituents, the concentrations, and the units are readily discernible. The data shall be summarized in such a manner so as to illustrate clearly the compliance with waste discharge requirements or the lack thereof. Data shall be submitted in a digital format.

Field and laboratory tests shall be reported in each monitoring report. Semiannual and annual monitoring reports shall be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board in accordance with the above schedule for the calendar period in which samples were taken or observations made. In addition, the Discharger shall enter all monitoring data and monitoring reports into the online Geotracker database as required by Division 3 of Title 27 and Chapter 30, Division 3 of Title 23.

The results of **all monitoring** conducted at the site shall be reported to the Central Valley Water Board in accordance with the reporting schedule above for the calendar period in which samples were taken or observations made.

The Discharger shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records, all original strip chart recordings of continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this Order, and records of all data used to complete the application for this Order. Records shall be maintained throughout the life of the facility including the post-closure period. Such records shall be legible and shall show the following for each sample:

- a) Sample identification and the monitoring point or background monitoring point from which it was taken, along with the identity of the individual who obtained the sample;
- b) Date, time, and manner of sampling;
- c) Date and time that analyses were started and completed, and the name of the personnel and laboratory performing each analysis;
- d) Complete procedure used, including method of preserving the sample, and the identity and volumes of reagents used;
- e) Calculation of results; and
- f) Results of analyses, and the MDL and PQL for each analysis. All peaks shall be reported.

#### **Required Reports**

- 1. Semiannual Monitoring Report: Monitoring reports shall be submitted semiannually and are due on 1 September and 1 March. Each semiannual monitoring report shall contain at least the following:
  - a) For each groundwater monitoring point addressed by the report, a description of:
    - 1) The time of water level measurement;
    - 2) The type of pump or other device used for purging and the elevation of the pump intake relative to the elevation of the screened interval;
    - 3) The method of purging used to stabilize water in the well bore before the sample is taken including the pumping rate; the equipment and methods used to monitor field pH, temperature, and conductivity during purging; results of pH, temperature, conductivity, and turbidity testing; and the method of disposing of the purge water;
    - 4) The type of pump or other device used for sampling, if different than the pump or device used for purging; and

- 5) A statement that the sampling procedure was conducted in accordance with the approved Site Specific Groundwater Monitoring Plan.
- b) A map or aerial photograph showing the locations of observation stations, monitoring points, and background monitoring points.
- c) The estimated semiannual groundwater flow rate and direction in the uppermost aquifer, in any zones of perched water, and in any additional zone of saturation monitored based upon water level elevations taken prior to the collection of the water quality data submitted in the report [Title 27, section 20415(e)(15)].
- d) Cumulative tabulated monitoring data for all monitoring points and constituents for groundwater, unsaturated zone, leachate, and surface water. Concentrations below the laboratory reporting limit shall not be reported as "ND" unless the reporting limit is also given in the table. Otherwise they shall be reported "<" the reporting limit (e.g., <0.10). Units shall be as required in Tables I through IV unless specific justification is given to report in other units. Refer to the SPRRs Section I "Standard Monitoring Specifications" for requirements regarding MDLs and PQLs.
- e) Laboratory statements of results of all analyses evaluating compliance with requirements.
- f) An evaluation of the concentration of each monitoring parameter (or 5-year COC when five year COC sampling is conducted) as compared to the current concentration limits, and the results of any required verification testing for constituents exceeding a concentration limit. Inorganic COCs are not reliable indicators of a release at the MWTS and are not statistically analyzed. Inorganic COC results are evaluated with regard to consistency with historical data. Report any actions taken under Section J: Response to a Release for verified exceedances of a concentration limit for wells/constituents not already in corrective action monitoring.
- g) An evaluation of the effectiveness of the leachate monitoring and control facilities, and of the run-off/run-on control facilities. Include a summary of any instances where leachate depth exceed regulatory requirements, and information about the required notification and corrective action in the Standard Facility Specifications of the SPRRs.
- h) A summary of all Standard Observations for the reporting period required in Section A.d of this MRP.
- A summary of inspection, leak search, and repair of final covers on any closed landfill units in accordance with an approved final post-closure maintenance plan as required by Standard Closure and Post-Closure Maintenance Specifications in of the SPRRs.
- 2. Annual Monitoring Report: The Discharger shall submit an Annual Monitoring Report to the Central Valley Water Board by **1 March** covering the reporting period

of the previous monitoring year. If desired, the Annual Monitoring Report may be combined with the second semiannual report, but if so, shall clearly state that it is both a semi-annual and annual monitoring report in its title. Each Annual Monitoring Report shall contain the following information:

- a) All monitoring parameters shall be graphed to show historical trends at each monitoring point and background monitoring point, for all samples taken within at least the previous five calendar years. If a 5-year COC event was performed, than these parameters shall also be graphically presented. Each such graph shall plot the concentration of one or more constituents for the period of record for a given monitoring point or background monitoring point, at a scale appropriate to show trends or variations in water quality. The graphs shall plot each datum, rather than plotting mean values. Graphical analysis of monitoring data may be used to provide significant evidence of a release.
- b) An evaluation of the monitoring parameters with regards to the cation/anion balance, and a graphical presentation using a Stiff diagram, a Piper graph, or a Schoeller plot.
- c) All historical monitoring data for which there are detectable results, including data for the previous year, shall be submitted in tabular form in a digital file format.
- d) Hydrographs of each well showing the elevation of groundwater with respect to the elevations of the top and bottom of the screened interval and the elevation of the pump intake. Hydrographs of each well shall be prepared semiannually and submitted annually.
- e) A comprehensive discussion of the compliance record, and the result of any corrective actions taken or planned which may be needed to bring the Discharger into full compliance with the waste discharge requirements.
- f) A map showing the area and elevations in which filling has been completed during the previous calendar year and a comparison to final closure design contours, and include a projection of the year in which each discrete landfill module will be filled.
- g) A written summary of the monitoring results, indicating any changes made or observed since the previous Annual Monitoring Report.
- h) The results of the annual testing of leachate collection and removal systems required under the Standard Facility Specifications of the SPRRs.
- 3. **Annual Facility Inspection Reporting:** By **15 November** of each year, the Discharger shall submit a report describing the results of the inspection and the repair measures implemented, preparations for winter, and include photographs of any problem areas and the repairs. Refer to Section A.a of this MRP, above.

- 4. **Major Storm Event Reporting:** Following major storm events capable of causing damage or significant erosion, the Discharger **immediately** shall notify Central Valley Water Board staff of any damage or significant erosion upon discovery and report subsequent repairs within **14 days** of completion of the repairs, including photographs of the problem and the repairs. Refer to Section A.b of this MRP, above.
- 5. **Survey and Iso-Settlement Map for Closed Landfills:** The Discharger shall conduct a survey and submit an iso-settlement map for each closed area of the landfill every five years pursuant to Title 27, section 21090(e). Refer to Section A.c of this MRP, above.
- Financial Assurances Report: By 1 October of each year, the Discharger shall submit a copy of the annual financial assurances report due to CalRecycle that updates the financial assurances for closure, post-closure maintenance, and corrective action. Refer to Financial Assurances Specifications F.1 through F.4 of the WDRs.

## C. WATER QUALITY PROTECTION STANDARD AND COMPLIANCE PERIOD

### 1. Water Quality Protection Standard Report

For each waste management unit, the Water Quality Protection Standard shall consist of all COCs and monitoring parameter, the concentration limit for each constituent of concern and monitoring parameter, and all water quality monitoring points for each monitored medium.

The Water Quality Protection Standard for naturally occurring waste constituents consists of the COCs, the concentration limits, and the point of compliance and all monitoring points. Any proposed changes to the Water Quality Protection Standard other than annual update of the concentration limits shall be submitted in a report for review and approval.

The Water Quality Protection Standard shall be certified by a Californiaregistered civil engineer or geologist as meeting the requirements of Title 27. If subsequent sampling of the background monitoring point(s) indicates significant water quality changes due to either seasonal fluctuations or other reasons unrelated to waste management activities at the site, the Discharger may request modification of the Water Quality Protection Standard.

### 2. Monitoring Parameters

Monitoring parameters are a select group of constituents that are monitored during each monitoring event that are the waste constituents, reaction products, hazardous constituents, and physical parameters that provide a reliable indication of a release from a waste management unit. The monitoring parameters for all waste management units are those listed in Tables I through IV.

# 3. Constituents of Concern (COCs)

The COCs include a larger group of waste constituents, their reaction products, and hazardous constituents that are reasonably expected to be in or derived from waste contained in the waste management unit, and are required to be monitored every five years [Title 27, sections 20395 and 20420(g)]. The COCs for all waste management units at the facility are those listed in Tables I through III and Table V. The Discharger shall monitor all COCs every five years, or more frequently as required in accordance with a Corrective Action Program. The last 5-year COC report was submitted to the Central Valley Water Board in the 2013 Second Semiannual and Annual Monitoring Report, and 5-year COCs are due to be monitored again in **2018**.

#### 4. Concentration Limits

Concentration limits are not prepared for the Facility as inorganic constituents are not reliable indicators of a release from a WMU and analytical results for inorganic constituents are not be statistically analyzed. Possible releases from the Facility are evaluated statistically using trend analysis of VOC concentrations.

The statistical methods are applied to monitoring data at the Facility using DUMPStat<sup>™</sup> statistical modeling software. Trend tests of VOC analytical results are prepared and used to evaluate groundwater conditions by allowing statistically significant increasing and decreasing trends for VOCs to be monitored. Statistically significant increasing concentration trend of anthropogenic VOCs is considered measurably significant indication of a release from a WMU and subject to verification testing. The time range for trend analysis is accepted historical data. The time range can be adjusted to examine shorter time periods depending on the information that is of interest (e.g., trends related to drought or high rainfall periods). Trend testing will be included in the routine semiannual and 5-year COC monitoring reports.

### 5. Retesting Procedures for Confirming Evidence of a Release

If statistically significant increasing concentration trend of an anthropogenic VOC is identified and if the result is not due to a quality control issues, then the result is subject to notification and verification re-testing as described in the SPRRs and Title 27 Section 20420(j). Only the VOC identified with the statistically significant increasing concentration will be tested. If the increasing concentration trend of an anthropogenic VOC is confirmed, then a response to release discovery procedures outlined in the SPRRs and Title 27 Section 20420(k) will be implemented. If the increasing trend is not confirmed, the results will be reporting and detection monitoring will continue.

## 6. Point of Compliance (POC)

The point of compliance for the water standard at each waste management unit is a vertical surface located at the hydraulically downgradient limit of the Unit that extends through the uppermost aquifer underlying the unit.

### 7. Compliance Period

The compliance period for each waste management unit shall be the number of years equal to the active life of the unit plus the closure period. The compliance period is the minimum period during which the Discharger shall conduct a water quality monitoring program subsequent to a release from the waste management unit. The compliance period shall begin anew each time the Discharger initiates an evaluation monitoring program [Title 27, section 20410].

#### 8. Monitoring Points

A monitoring point is a well, device, or location specified in the waste discharge requirements, which monitoring is conducted and at which the water quality protection standard applies. The monitoring points for each monitored medium are listed in Section A of this MRP.

### D. TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR ALL REPORTS

A transmittal letter explaining the essential points shall accompany each report. At a minimum, the transmittal letter shall identify any violations found since the last report was submitted, and if the violations were corrected. If no violations have occurred since the last submittal, this shall be stated in the transmittal letter. The transmittal letter shall also state that a discussion of any violations found since the last report was submitted, and a description of the actions taken or planned for correcting those violations, including any references to previously submitted time schedules, is contained in the accompanying report. The transmittal letter shall contain a statement by the discharger, or the discharger's authorized agent, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of the signer's knowledge the report is true, accurate, and complete.

The Discharger shall implement the above monitoring program on the effective date of this Program.

Original signed by:

Ordered by:

PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer

5 June 2015

(Date)

## TABLE I

# **GROUNDWATER DETECTION MONITORING PROGRAM**

Parameter	<u>Units</u>	Sampling <u>Frequency</u>	Reporting Frequency
Field Parameters			
Groundwater Elevation Temperature Electrical Conductivity pH Turbidity	Ft. & 100ths, M.S.L. <sup>o</sup> F umhos/cm pH units Turbidity units	Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual	Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual
Hydrochemical Parameters			
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) Chloride Carbonate Bicarbonate Sulfate Calcium Magnesium Potassium Sodium	mg/L <sup>1</sup> mg/L mg/L mg/L mg/L mg/L mg/L	Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual	Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual
Volatile Organic Compounds (USEPA Method 8260B, short list, se	ug/L <sup>2</sup> ee Table IV)	Semiannual	Semiannual
5-Year Constituents of Concern (see	Table V)		
Inorganics (dissolved) Volatile Organic Compounds (USEPA Method 8260B, extended list) Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds (USEPA Method 8270C or D) Polychlorinated Biphenyls (USEPA Method 8082) Organochlorine Pesticides (USEPA Method 8081A) Carbamate and Urea Pesticides (USEPA Method 632) Chlorophenoxy Herbicides (USEPA Method 8151A) Organophosphorus Compounds (USEPA Method 8141B)	μg/L μg/L μg/L μg/L μg/L μg/L	5 years 5 years 5 years 5 years 5 years 5 years 5 years 5 years	2013 and every 5 years thereafter 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

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<sup>1</sup> Milligrams per liter <sup>2</sup> Micrograms per liter

#### TABLE II

#### UNSATURATED ZONE DETECTION MONITORING PROGRAM

# PAN LYSIMETERS<sup>1</sup>

Parameter	<u>Units</u>	Sampling <u>Frequency</u>	Reporting <u>Frequency</u>	
Field Parameters				
Electrical Conductivity pH Volume of liquid removed	umhos/cm pH units gallons	Semiannual Semiannual Monthly	Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual	
Hydrochemical Parameters				
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) Chloride Carbonate Bicarbonate Sulfate Calcium Magnesium Potassium Sodium	mg/L mg/L mg/L mg/L mg/L mg/L	Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual	Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual Semiannual	
mg/L	Semiannual	Semiannual		
Monitoring Parameters				
Volatile Organic Compounds (USEPA Method 8260B, short list, s	μg/L see Table IV)	Semiannual	Semiannual	
5-Year Constituents of Concern (see	e Table V)			
Inorganics (dissolved) Volatile Organic Compounds (USEPA Method 8260B, extended list)	μg/L μg/L	5 years 5 years	2013 and every 5 years thereafter	
Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds (USEPA Method 8270C or D)	µg/L	5 years	0 0	
Polychlorinated Biphenyls	μg/L	5 years	63 63	
(USEPA Method 8082) Organochlorine Pesticides	µg/L	5 years	0 0	
(USEPA Method 8081A) Carbamate and Urea Pesticides (USEPA Method 632)	µg/L	5 years	63 63	
Chlorophenoxy Herbicides (USEPA Method 8151A)	µg/L	5 years	0 O	
Organophosphorus Compounds (USEPA Method 8141B)	µg/L	5 years	σ σ	

<sup>1</sup>Pan lysimeters shall be inspected for the presence of liquid **monthly**. If liquid is detected in a previously dry pan lysimeter, the Discharger shall verbally notify Central Valley Water Board staff within **seven days** and shall immediately sample and test the liquid for Field and Monitoring Parameters listed in Table II.

#### TABLE III

## LEACHATE MONITORING <sup>1</sup> AND LCRS TESTING <sup>2</sup>

Parameter	Sampling <u>Units</u>	Reporting <u>Frequency</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Field Parameters			
Total Flow	Gallons	Monthly	Semiannual
Flow Rate	Gallons/Day	Monthly	Semiannual
Electrical Conductivity	umhos/cm	Quarterly	Semiannual
рН	pH units	Quarterly	Semiannual
Hydrochemical Parameters			
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Chloride	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Carbonate	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Bicarbonate	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Sulfate	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Calcium	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Magnesium	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Potassium	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Sodium	mg/L	Annually	Annually
Monitoring Parameters			
Volatile Organic Compounds	µg/L	Annually	Annually
(USEPA Method 8260B, short list,		,	,

#### 5-Year Constituents of Concern (see Table V)

Inorganics (dissolved)	µg/L	5 years	2013 and every 5
Volatile Organic Compounds (USEPA Method 8260B, extended list)	µg/L	5 years	years thereafter
Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds (USEPA Method 8270C or D)	µg/L	5 years	63 63
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (USEPA Method 8082)	µg/L	5 years	63 63
Organochlorine Pesticides (USEPA Method 8081A)	µg/L	5 years	63 63
Carbamate and Urea Pesticides (USEPA Method 632)	µg/L	5 years	63 63
Chlorophenoxy Herbicides (USEPA Method 8151A)	µg/L	5 years	63 63
Organophosphorus Compounds (USEPA Method 8141B)	µg/L	5 years	63 63

### LCRS Testing<sup>2</sup>

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Annually Annually

<sup>1</sup> If leachate is detected in a previously dry sump, the Discharger shall verbally notify Central Valley Water Board staff within **seven days** and shall immediately sample and test the leachate for Field and Monitoring Parameters listed in Table III. Leachate in the LCRS sump shall then be sampled for all parameters and constituents in accordance with the frequencies listed in Table III whenever liquid is present.

<sup>2</sup> The Discharger shall test each LCRS annually pursuant to Title 27, section 20340(d) to demonstrate proper operation. The results of the tests shall be compared with earlier tests made under comparable conditions.

### MONITORING PARAMETERS FOR DETECTION MONITORING

#### Volatile Organic Compounds, short list:

#### USEPA Method 8260B

Acetone Acrylonitrile Benzene **Bromochloromethane** Bromodichloromethane Bromoform (Tribromomethane) Carbon disulfide Carbon tetrachloride Chlorobenzene Chloroethane (Ethyl chloride) Chloroform (Trichloromethane) Dibromochloromethane (Chlorodibromomethane) 1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane (DBCP) 1,2-Dibromoethane (Ethylene dibromide; EDB) o-Dichlorobenzene (1,2-Dichlorobenzene) m-Dichlorobenzene (1,3-Dichlorobenzene) p-Dichlorobenzene (1,4-Dichlorobenzene) trans- I,4-Dichloro-2-butene Dichlorodifluoromethane (CFC-12) 1,1-Dichloroethane (Ethylidene chloride) 1.2-Dichloroethane (Ethylene dichloride) 1,1 -Dichloroethylene (1,1 -Dichloroethene; Vinylidene chloride) cis- 1,2-Dichloroethylene (cis- 1,2-Dichloroethene) trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene (trans-1,2-Dichloroethene) 1,2-Dichloropropane (Propylene dichloride) cis-1,3-Dichloropropene trans- 1,3-Dichloropropene Di-isopropylether (DIPE) Ethanol Ethyltertiary butyl ether Ethylbenzene 2-Hexanone (Methyl butyl ketone) Hexachlorobutadiene Methyl bromide (Bromomethene) Methyl chloride (Chloromethane)

## MONITORING PARAMETERS FOR DETECTION MONITORING

#### Continued

Methylene bromide (Dibromomethane) Methylene chloride (Dichloromethane) Methyl ethyl ketone (MEK: 2-Butanone) Methyl iodide (lodomethane) Methyl t-butyl ether 4-Methyl-2-pentanone (Methyl isobutylketone) Naphthalene Styrene Tertiary amyl methyl ether Tertiary butyl alcohol 1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane 1,1.2,2-Tetrachloroethane Tetrachloroethylene (Tetrachloroethene; Perchloroethylene) Toluene 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene 1,1,1-Trichloroethane (Methylchloroform) 1,1,2-Trichloroethane Trichloroethylene (Trichloroethene) Trichlorofluoromethane (CFC-11) 1,2,3-Trichloropropane Vinyl acetate Vinyl chloride **Xylenes** 

### **5-YEAR COCs & APPROVED USEPA ANALYTICAL METHODS**

#### Inorganics (dissolved):

#### USEPA Method

#### Volatile Organic Compounds, extended list:

#### USEPA Method 8260B

Acetone Acetonitrile (Methyl cyanide) Acrolein Acrvlonitrile Allyl chloride (3-Chloropropene) Benzene Bromochloromethane (Chlorobromomethane) Bromodichloromethane (Dibromochloromethane) Bromoform (Tribromomethane) Carbon disulfide Carbon tetrachloride Chlorobenzene Chloroethane (Ethyl chloride) Chloroform (Trichloromethane) Chloroprene Dibromochloromethane (Chlorodibromomethane) 1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane (DBCP) 1,2-Dibromoethane (Ethylene dibromide; EDB) o-Dichlorobenzene (1,2-Dichlorobenzene) m-Dichlorobenzene (1,3-Dichlorobenzene) p-Dichlorobenzene (1,4-Dichlorobenzene) trans- 1,4-Dichloro-2-butene Dichlorodifluoromethane (CFC 12) 1,1 -Dichloroethane (Ethylidene chloride) 1,2-Dichloroethane (Ethylene dichloride)

## **5-YEAR COCs & APPROVED USEPA ANALYTICAL METHODS**

### Continued

### USEPA Method 8260B continued

cis- I,2-Dichloroethylene (cis- 1,2-Dichloroethene) trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene (trans-1,2-Dichloroethene) 1,2-Dichloropropane (Propylene dichloride) 1.3-Dichloropropane (Trimethylene dichloride) 2,2-Dichloropropane (Isopropylidene chloride) 1,1 -Dichloropropene cis-1,3-Dichloropropene trans-I, 3-Dichloropropene Di-isopropylether (DIPE) Ethanol Ethyltertiary butyl ether Ethylbenzene Ethyl methacrylate Hexachlorobutadiene 2-Hexanone (Methyl butyl ketone) Isobutyl alcohol Methacrylonitrile Methyl bromide (Bromomethane) Methyl chloride (Chloromethane) Methyl ethyl ketone (MEK; 2-Butanone) Methyl iodide (lodomethane) Methyl t-butyl ether Methyl methacrylate 4-Methyl-2-pentanone (Methyl isobutyl ketone) Methylene bromide (Dibromomethane) Methylene chloride (Dichloromethane) Naphthalene Propionitrile (Ethyl cyanide) Styrene Tertiary amyl methyl ether Tertiary butyl alcohol 1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane Tetrachloroethylene (Tetrachloroethene; Perchloroethylene; PCE) Toluene 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene 1,1,1 -Trichloroethane (Methylchloroform) 1,1,2-Trichloroethane Trichloroethylene (Trichloroethene; TCE) Trichlorofluoromethane (CFC-11) 1,2,3-Trichloropropane Vinyl acetate Vinyl chloride (Chloroethene) Xylene (total)

## **5-YEAR COCs & APPROVED USEPA ANALYTICAL METHODS**

### Continued

#### Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds:

#### USEPA Method 8270C

Acenaphthene Acenaphthylene Acetophenone 2-Acetylaminofluorene (2-AAF) Aldrin 4-Aminobiphenyl Anthracene Benzo[a]anthracene (Benzanthracene) Benzo[b]fluoranthene Benzo[k]fluoranthene Benzo[g,h,i]perylene Benzo[a]pyrene Benzyl alcohol Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate alpha-BHC beta-BHC delta-BHC gamma-BHC (Lindane) Bis(2-chloroethoxy)methane Bis(2-chloroethyl) ether (Dichloroethyl ether) Bis(2-chloro-1-methyethyl) ether (Bis(2-chloroisopropyl) ether; DCIP) 4-Bromophenyl phenyl ether Butyl benzyl phthalate (Benzyl butyl phthalate) Chlordane p-Chloroaniline Chlorobenzilate p-Chloro-m-cresol (4-Chloro-3-methylphenol) 2-Chloronaphthalene 2-Chlorophenol 4-Chlorophenyl phenyl ether Chrvsene o-Cresol (2-methylphenol) m-Cresol (3-methylphenol) p-Cresol (4-methylphenol) 4,4'-DDD 4.4'-DDE 4.4'-DDT Diallate Dibenz[a,h]anthracene Dibenzofuran Di-n-butyl phthalate 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine

## **5-YEAR COCs & APPROVED USEPA ANALYTICAL METHODS**

### Continued

#### USEPA Method 8270C continued

2,4-Dichlorophenol 2,6-Dichlorophenol Dieldrin Diethyl phthalate p-(Dimethylamino)azobenzene 7,12-Dimethylbenz[a]anthracene 3,3'-Dimethylbenzidine 2,4-Dimehtylphenol (m-Xylenol) Dimethyl phthalate m-Dinitrobenzene 4,6-Dinitro-o-cresol (4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol) 2,4-Dinitrophenol 2.4-Dinitrotoluene 2.6-Dinitrotoluene Di-n-octyl phthalate Diphenylamine Endosulfan I Endosulfan II Endosulfan sulfate Endrin Endrin aldehyde Ethyl methanesulfonate Famphur Fluoranthene Fluorene Heptachlor Heptachlor epoxide Hexachlorobenzene Hexachlorocvclopentadiene Hexachloroethane Hexachloropropene Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene Isodrin Isophorone Isosafrole Kepone Methapyrilene Methoxychlor 3-Methylcholanthrene Methyl methanesulfonate 2-Methylnaphthalene 1,4-Naphthoguinone 1-Naphthylamine 2-Naphthylamine o-Nitroaniline (2-Nitroaniline)

## **5-YEAR COCs & APPROVED USEPA ANALYTICAL METHODS**

### Continued

#### **USEPA Method 8270C continued**

m-Nitroaniline (3-Nitroaniline) p-Nitroaniline (4-Nitroaniline) Nitrobenzene o-Nitrophenol (2-Nitrophenol) p-Nitrophenol (4-Nitrophenol) N-Nitrosodi-n-butylamine (Di-n-butylnitrosamine) N-Nitrosodiethylamine (Diethylnitrosamine) N-Nitrosodimethylamine (Dimethylnitrosamine)

N-Nitrosodiphenylamine (Diphenylnitrosamine) N-Nitrosodipropylamine (N-Nitroso-N-dipropylamine; Di-n-propylnitrosamine) N-Nitrosomethylethylamine (Methylethylnitrosamine) N-Nitrosopiperidine N-Nitrosospyrrolidine 5-Nitro-o-toluidine Pentachlorobenzene Pentachloronitrobenzene (PCNB) Pentachlorophenol Phenacetin Phenanthrene Phenol p-Phenylenediamine Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs; Aroclors) Pronamide Pyrene Safrole 1,2,4,5-Tetrachlorobenzene 2,3,4,6-Tetrachlorophenol o-Toluidine Toxaphene 2,4,5-Trichlorophenol 0,0,0-Triethyl phosphorothioate sym-Trinitrobenzene

#### **Carbamate and Urea Pesticides**

### USEPA Method 632

Barban Carbaryl Carbofuran Chlorpropham Diuron Fenuron

## **5-YEAR COCs & APPROVED USEPA ANALYTICAL METHODS**

### Continued

## **USEPA Method 632 continued**

Fluometuron Linuron Methiocarb Methomyl Monuron Neburon Oxamyl Propham Propoxur Siduron Swep

## **Organochlorine Pesticides**

# **USEPA METHOD 8081A**

4,4'-DDD 4,4'-DDE 4,4'-DDT Aldrin alpha-BHC beta-BHC delta-BHC Dieldrin Endosulfan I Endosulfan II Endosulfan sulfate Endrin Endrin aldehyde gamma-BHC (Lindane) Heptachlor Heptachlor epoxide Kepone Methoxychlor **Technical Chlordane** Toxaphene

## **5-YEAR COCs & APPROVED USEPA ANALYTICAL METHODS**

### Continued

### **Polychlorinated Biphenyls**

## USEPA METHOD 8082

Aroclor 1016 Aroclor 1221 Aroclor 1232 Aroclor 1242 Aroclor 1248 Aroclor 1254 Aroclor 1260

### **Chlorophenoxy Herbicides:**

## USEPA Method 8151A

2,4-D (2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid) Dinoseb (DNBP; 2-sec-Butyl-4,6-dinitrophenol) Silvex (2,4,5-Trichlorophenoxypropionic acid; 2,4,5-TP) 2,4,5-T (2,4,5-Trichlorophenoxyacetic acid)

#### **Organophosphorus Compounds:**

#### **USEPA Method 8141B**

Atrazine Chlorpyrifos 0,0-Diethyl 0-2-pyrazinyl phosphorothioate (Thionazin) Diazinon Dimethoate Disulfoton Methyl parathion (Parathion methyl) Parathion Phorate Simazine

# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

## STANDARD PROVISIONS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONHAZARDOUS SOLID WASTE DISCHARGES REGULATED BY SUBTITLE D AND/OR TITLE 27 (40 C.F.R. section 258 and Title 27, § 20005 et seq.)

JANUARY 2012

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# A. APPLICABILITY

- 1. These Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements (SPRRs) are applicable to nonhazardous solid waste disposal sites that are regulated by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (hereafter, Central Valley Water Board) pursuant to the provisions of California Code of Regulations, title 27 ("Title 27"), section 20005 et seq., and municipal solid waste (MSW) landfills that are subject to the Federal Subtitle D regulations contained in 40 Code of Federal Regulations section 258 (hereafter, "Subtitle D" or "40 C.F.R. § 258.XX") in accordance with State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Resolution 93-62. The Subtitle D regulations are only applicable to MSW landfills and therefore any requirements in these SPRRs that are referenced as coming from Subtitle D are not applicable to non-MSW waste management units such as Class II surface impoundments, Class II waste piles, and non-MSW landfill units. All Subtitle D requirements in these SPRRs are referenced with "[40 C.F.R. § 258.XX]" after the requirement.
- 2. "Order," as used throughout this document, means the Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) to which these SPRRs are incorporated.
- 3. The requirements prescribed herein do not authorize the commission of any act causing injury to the property of another, and do not protect the Discharger from liabilities under federal, state, or local laws. This Order does not convey any property rights or exclusive privileges.
- 4. The provisions of this Order are severable. If any provision of this Order is held invalid, the remainder of this Order shall not be affected.
- 5. If there is any conflicting or contradictory language between the WDRs, the Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP), or the SPRRs, then language in the WDRs shall govern over either the MRP or the SPRRs, and language in the MRP shall govern over the SPRRs.
- 6. If there is a site-specific need to change a requirement in these SPRRs for a particular landfill facility, the altered requirement shall be placed in the appropriate section of the WDRs and will supersede the corresponding SPRRs requirement. These SPRRs are standard and cannot be changed as part of the permit writing process or in response to comments, but they will be periodically updated on an as-needed basis.
- 7. Unless otherwise stated, all terms are as defined in Water Code section 13050 and in Title 27, section 20164.

# B. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Failure to comply with any waste discharge requirement, monitoring and reporting requirement, or Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirement, or

other order or prohibition issued, reissued, or amended by the Central Valley Water Board or the State Water Board, or intentionally or negligently discharging waste, or causing or permitting waste to be deposited where it is discharged into the waters of the state and creates a condition of pollution or nuisance, is a violation of this Order and the Water Code, which can result in the imposition of civil monetary liability [Wat. Code, § 13350(a)]

- 2. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, this Order may be terminated or modified for cause, including, but not limited to [Wat. Code, § 13381]:
  - a. Violation of any term or condition contained in this Order;
  - b. Obtaining this Order by misrepresentation, or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts;
  - c. A change in any condition that results in either a temporary or permanent need to reduce or eliminate the authorized discharge; or
  - d. A material change in the character, location, or volume of discharge.
- Before initiating a new discharge or making a material change in the character, location, or volume of an existing discharge, the Discharger shall file a new report of waste discharge (ROWD), or other appropriate joint technical document (JTD), with the Central Valley Water Board [Wat. Code, § 13260(c) and § 13264(a)]. A material change includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - a. An increase in area or depth to be used for solid waste disposal beyond that specified in waste discharge requirements;
  - b. A significant change in disposal method, location, or volume (e.g., change from land disposal to land treatment);
  - c. A change in the type of waste being accepted for disposal; or
  - d. A change to previously-approved liner systems or final cover systems that would eliminate components or reduce the engineering properties of components.
- 4. Representatives of the Central Valley Water Board may inspect the facilities to ascertain compliance with the waste discharge requirements. The inspection shall be made with the consent of the owner or possessor of the facilities or, if the consent is refused, with a duly issued warrant. However, in the event of an emergency affecting the public health or safety, an inspection may be made without consent or the issuance of a warrant [Wat. Code, §13267(c)].

- 5. The Central Valley Water Board will review this Order periodically and will revise these waste discharge requirements when necessary [Wat. Code, § 13263(e) and Title 27, § 21720(b)].
- 6. Except for material determined to be confidential in accordance with California law and regulations, all reports prepared in accordance with terms of this Order shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Central Valley Water Board [Wat. Code, § 13267(b)]. Data on waste discharges, water quality, geology, and hydrogeology shall not be considered confidential.
- 7. A discharge of waste into the waters of the state is a privilege, not a right. No discharge of waste into waters of the state, whether or not the discharge is made pursuant to waste discharge requirements, shall create a vested right to continue the discharge [Wat. Code, § 13263(g)].
- 8. Technical and monitoring reports specified in this Order are requested pursuant to the Water Code [§13267(b)]. Failure to furnish the reports by the specified deadlines or falsifying information in the reports, are misdemeanors that may be liable civilly in accordance with §13268(b) of the Water Code [Wat. Code, §13268(a)].

# C. STANDARD PROHIBITIONS

- 1. The discharge of liquid or semi-solid waste (waste containing less than 50 percent solids) is prohibited, except for the following when proposed in the ROWD/JTD and approved by this Order:
  - a. Dewatered sewage or water treatment sludge as described in Title 27, section 20220(c) provided it is discharged above a composite liner with a leachate collection and removal system (LCRS) [Title 27, § 20200(d)(3)].
  - b. Leachate and/or landfill gas condensate that is returned to the compositelined waste management unit (with an LCRS) from which it came [Title 27, § 20340(g) and 40 C.F.R. § 258.28].
- 2. The discharge of wastes which have the potential to reduce or impair the integrity of containment structures or which, if commingled with other wastes in the waste management unit, could produce violent reaction, heat or pressure, fire or explosion, toxic by-products, or reaction products, which, in turn:
  - a. require a higher level of containment than provided by the unit; or
  - b. are 'restricted wastes'; or
  - c. impair the integrity of containment structures;

is prohibited [Title 27, § 20200(b)].

- 3. The discharge of wastes outside of a waste management unit or portions of a unit specifically designed for their containment is prohibited.
- 4. The discharge of solid waste containing free liquid or which may contain liquid in excess of the moisture holding capacity as a result of waste management operations, compaction or settlement is prohibited.
- 5. The discharge of waste to a closed landfill unit is prohibited.
- 6. The discharge of waste constituents to the unsaturated zone or to groundwater is prohibited.
- 7. The discharge of solid or liquid waste or leachate to surface waters, surface water drainage courses, or groundwater is prohibited.

# D. STANDARD DISCHARGE SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. The Discharger is responsible for accurate characterization of wastes, including a determination of whether or not wastes will be compatible with containment features and other wastes at the waste management unit and whether or not the wastes are required to be managed as a hazardous waste [Title 27, § 20200(c)] or designated waste [Title 27, § 20210].
- 2. Leachate and landfill gas condensate collected from a waste management unit shall be discharged to the unit from which it came, or discharged to an appropriate waste management unit in accordance with Title 27 and in a manner consistent with the waste classification of the liquid [Title 27, § 20200(d) and § 20340(g)].
- 3. The discharge of leachate or landfill gas condensate is restricted to those portions of a waste management unit that has a composite liner system and LCRS meeting the Federal Subtitle D requirements [40 C.F.R. § 258.28].
- 4. Leachate and condensate returned to a composite-lined landfill unit (when approved by this Order) shall be discharged and managed such that it does not cause instability of the waste, does not cause leachate seeps, does not generate additional landfill gas that is not extracted from the landfill by an active landfill gas extraction system, does not cause contaminants to enter surface water runoff, and does not cause leachate volumes to exceed the maximum capacity of the LCRS.
- 5. Any discharge of waste outside the portion of the landfill that was already covered with waste as of the landfill unit's respective Federal Deadline constitutes a "lateral expansion" and requires the installation of an approved composite liner system and LCRS [40 C.F.R. § 258.40(b)].

- 6. Wastes shall be discharged only into waste management units specifically designed for their containment and/or treatment, as described in this Order.
- 7. The discharge shall remain within the designated disposal area at all times.
- 8. The discharge of waste shall not cause a nuisance condition [Wat. Code, § 13050(m)].

# E. STANDARD FACILITY SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. All waste management units shall be designed, constructed, and operated to ensure that wastes, including leachate, will be a minimum of 5 feet above the highest anticipated elevation of underlying groundwater [Title 27, § 20240(c)], including the capillary fringe.
- 2. Surface and subsurface drainage from outside of a waste management unit shall be diverted from the unit [Title 27, § 20365(e)].
- 3. Interim cover is daily and intermediate cover [Title 27, § 20750(a)]. Interim cover over wastes discharged to a landfill shall be designed and constructed to minimize percolation of liquids through the wastes [Title 27, § 20705(b)].
- 4. Intermediate cover consisting of compacted earthen material of at least twelve (12) inches shall be placed on all surfaces of the fill where no additional solid waste will be deposited within **180 days** [Title 27, § 20700(a)].
- 5. During wet weather conditions, the facility shall be operated and graded to minimize leachate generation.
- 6. The Discharger shall immediately notify the Central Valley Water Board staff of any slope failure occurring at a waste management unit. Any failure which threatens the integrity of containment features or the waste management unit shall be promptly corrected in accordance with an approved method [Title 27, § 21710(c)(2)].
- 7. The Discharger shall **immediately** notify Central Valley Water Board staff of any flooding, unpermitted discharge of waste off-site or outside of waste management units, equipment failure, or other change in site conditions which could impair the integrity of waste or leachate containment facilities or precipitation and drainage control structures.
- 8. The Discharger shall limit water used for facility maintenance within landfill areas to the minimum amount necessary for dust control and construction.
- 9. The Discharger shall maintain in good working order any facility, control system, or monitoring device installed to achieve compliance with the waste discharge requirements.

- 10. The Discharger shall lock all groundwater monitoring wells with a lock on the well cap or monitoring well box. All monitoring devices shall be clearly labeled with their designation including all monitoring wells, LCRS risers, and lysimeter risers and shall be easily accessible for required monitoring by authorized personnel. Each monitoring device shall be clearly visible and be protected from damage by equipment or vehicles.
- 11. The Discharger shall ensure that methane and other landfill gases are adequately vented, removed from landfill units, or otherwise controlled to prevent the danger of adverse health effects, nuisance conditions, degradation, or the impairment of the beneficial uses of surface water or groundwater due to migration through the unsaturated zone.
- 12. The Discharger shall maintain the depth of the fluid in the sump of each landfill unit at the minimum needed for efficient pump operation (the depth at which the pump turns on given the pump intake height and maximum pump cycle frequency).
- 13. The depth of fluid on the landfill liner shall not exceed **30 centimeters** (cm) [40 C.F.R. § 258.40(a)(2)]. This regulation is interpreted by the Central Valley Water Board to exclude the leachate sump. The Discharger shall **immediately** notify the Central Valley Water Board staff by telephone, and follow up in writing within **seven** days if monitoring reveals that the depth of fluid on any portion of the liner (excluding the sump) exceeds 30 cm (approximately 12 inches). The written notification shall include a timetable for remedial or corrective action necessary to achieve compliance with the leachate depth limitation.
- 14. Each LCRS shall be tested at least annually to demonstrate proper operation. The results of the tests shall be compared with earlier tests made under comparable conditions [Title 27, § 20340(d)].
- 15. The Discharger shall maintain a *Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan* and *Monitoring Program and Reporting Requirements* in accordance with State Water Board Order No. 97-03-DWQ (or most recent general industrial storm water permit), or retain all storm water on-site.
- 16. Internal site drainage from surface or subsurface sources shall not contact or percolate through wastes.
- 17. New MSW landfill units or lateral expansions of existing units shall not be sited in a "wetland" [as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 232.29(r)] unless there is no practical alternative; steps have been taken to assure no net loss of wetland; the landfill unit will not degrade the wetland; the unit will not jeopardize threatened or endangered species or produce adverse modification of a critical habitat or violate any requirement of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 [40 C.F.R. § 258.12].

# F. STANDARD CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. The Discharger shall submit for review and approval at least **90 days** prior to proposed construction, design plans and specifications for new landfill modules that include the following:
  - a. Detailed construction drawings showing all required liner system components, the LCRS, leachate sump, unsaturated zone monitoring system, any proposed landfill gas monitoring and extraction points, and access to the LCRS for required annual testing.
  - b. A Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) Plan prepared by a California-registered civil engineer or certified engineering geologist, and that meets the requirements of Title 27, section 20324.
  - c. A geotechnical evaluation of the area soils, evaluating their use as the base layer or reference to the location of this information in the ROWD/JTD [Title 27, § 21750(f)(4)].
  - d. Information about the seismic design of the proposed new module (or reference to the location of this information in the ROWD/JTD) in accordance with Title 27, section 20370.
  - e. A revised water quality monitoring plan for groundwater detection monitoring (or information showing the existing plan is adequate) in accordance with Title 27, section 20415.
  - f. An Operation Plan (or reference to the location of this information in the ROWD/JTD) meeting the requirements of Title 27, section 21760(b).
- 2. All containment structures shall be designed by, and construction shall be supervised by, a California registered civil engineer or a certified engineering geologist, and shall be certified by that individual as meeting the prescriptive standards, or approved engineered alternative design, in accordance with this Order prior to waste discharge.
- The Discharger shall not proceed with construction until the construction plans, specifications, and all applicable construction quality assurance plans have been approved. Waste management units shall receive a final inspection and approval of the construction by Central Valley Water Board staff before use of the unit commences [Title 27, § 20310(e)].
- 4. Any report, or any amendment or revision of a report, that proposes a design or design change that might affect a waste management unit's containment features or monitoring systems shall be approved by a California registered civil engineer or a certified engineering geologist [Title 27, § 21710(d)].

- 5. Materials used in containment structures shall have appropriate chemical and physical properties to ensure that such structures do not fail to contain waste because of pressure gradients, physical contact with waste or leachate, chemical reactions with soil or rock, climatic conditions, the stress of installation, or because of the stress of daily operations [Title 27, § 20320(a)].
- Waste management units and their respective containment structures shall be designed and constructed to limit, to the greatest extent possible, ponding, infiltration, inundation, erosion, slope failure, washout, and overtopping [Title 27, § 20365(a)].
- The Discharger shall design storm water conveyance systems for Class III units for a 100-year, 24-hour storm event, and shall design storm water conveyance systems for Class II units for a 1,000-year, 24-hour storm event [Title 27, § 21750(e)(3)].
- 8. All Class III landfill units shall be designed to withstand the maximum probable earthquake and Class II waste management units shall be designed to withstand maximum credible earthquake without damage to the foundation or to the structures that control leachate, or surface drainage, or erosion, or gas [Title 27, § 20370(a)].
- The Discharger shall perform stability analyses that include components to demonstrate the integrity of the landfill foundation, final slopes, and containment systems under both static and dynamic conditions throughout the landfill's life including the closure period and post-closure maintenance period [Title 27, § 21750(f)(5)].
- 10. New waste management units and expansions of existing units shall not be located on a known Holocene fault [Title 27, § 20260(d)].
- 11. Liners shall be designed and constructed to contain the fluid, including landfill gas, waste, and leachate [Title 27, § 20330(a)].
- 12. Hydraulic conductivities shall be determined primarily by appropriate field test methods in accordance with accepted civil engineering practice. The results of laboratory tests with both water and leachate, and field tests with water, shall be compared to evaluate how the field permeabilities will be affected by leachate. It is acceptable for the Discharger to use appropriate compaction tests in conjunction with laboratory hydraulic conductivity tests to determine field permeabilities as long as a reasonable number of field hydraulic conductivity tests are also conducted [Title 27, § 20320(c)].
- 13. Hydraulic conductivities specified for containment structures other than the final cover shall be relative to the fluids (leachate) to be contained. Hydraulic conductivities for the final cover shall be relative to water [Title 27, § 20320(b)].

- 14. A test pad for each barrier layer and final cover shall be constructed in a manner duplicating the field construction. Test pad construction methods, with the designated equipment, shall be used to determine if the specified density/moisture-content/hydraulic conductivity relationships determined in the laboratory can be achieved in the field with the compaction equipment to be used and at the specified lift thickness [Title 27, § 20324(g)(1)(A)].
- 15. Performance requirements for geosynthetic membranes shall include, but are not limited to, a need to limit infiltration of water, to the greatest extent possible; a need to control landfill gas emissions; mechanical compatibility with stresses caused by equipment traffic, and for final covers the result of differential settlement over time and durability throughout the post-closure maintenance period [Title 27, § 20324(i)(1)].
- 16. The Discharger shall ensure proper preparation of the subgrade for any liner system that includes a GCL so as to provide a smooth surface that is free from rocks, sticks, or other debris that could damage or otherwise limit the performance of the GCL.
- 17. The Discharger shall propose an electronic leak location survey of the top liner for any new landfill module in the construction quality assurance plan unless the Discharger demonstrates that a leak location survey is not needed.
- 18. Leachate collection and removal systems are required for Class II landfills and surface impoundments, MSW landfills, and for Class III landfills which have a liner or which accept sewage or water treatment sludge [Title 27, § 20340(a)].
- 19. All new landfill units or lateral expansions of existing units that require a LCRS shall have a blanket-type LCRS that covers the bottom of the unit and extends as far up the sides as possible. The LCRS shall be of sufficient strength and thickness to prevent collapse under the pressures exerted by overlying wastes, waste cover materials, and by any equipment used at the unit [Title 27, § 20340(e)].
- 20. The LCRS shall be designed, constructed, maintained, and operated to collect and remove twice the maximum anticipated daily volume of leachate from the waste management unit [Title 27, § 20340(b)].
- 21. Leachate collection and removal systems shall be designed and operated to function without clogging through the scheduled closure of the landfill unit and during the post-closure maintenance period.
- 22. The LCRS shall be designed to maintain the depth of fluid over any portion of the LCRS of no greater than 30 cm [40 C.F.R. § 258.40(a)(2)], excluding the leachate sump. The leachate sump, leachate removal pump, and pump controls shall be designed and set to maintain a fluid depth no greater than the minimum needed for efficient pump operation [Title 27, § 20340(c)].

- 23. All construction of liner systems and final cover systems shall be performed in accordance with a Construction Quality Assurance Plan certified by a registered civil engineer or a certified engineering geologist [Title 27, § 20323].
- 24. The Construction Quality Assurance program shall be supervised by a registered civil engineer or a certified engineering geologist who shall be designated the CQA officer [Title 27, § 20324(b)(2)].
- 25. The Discharger shall ensure that a third party independent of both the Discharger and the construction contractor performs all of the construction quality assurance monitoring and testing during the construction of a liner system.
- 26. The Discharger shall notify Central Valley Water Board staff at least **14 days** prior to commencing field construction activities including construction of a new lined cell or module, construction of a final cover, or any other construction that requires Central Valley Water Board staff approval under this Order.
- 27. The Discharger shall submit for review and approval at least **60 days** prior to proposed discharge, final documentation required in Title 27 Section 20324(d)(1)(C) following the completion of construction of a new lined landfill module. The report shall be certified by a registered civil engineer or a certified engineering geologist and include a statement that the liner system was constructed in accordance with the approved design plans and specifications, the CQA Plan, the requirements of the WDRs, and that it meets the performance goals of Title 27. The report shall contain sufficient information and test results to verify that construction was in accordance with the design plans and specifications, the construction goals of Title 27.
- 28. The Discharger shall not discharge waste onto a newly constructed liner system until the final documentation report has been reviewed and an acceptance letter has been received.
- 29. Prior to placement of waste in a new landfill unit, the Discharger shall monitor any pan lysimeter for the unit that has received enough rainfall to flood the LCRS sump. If liquid is detected in the pan lysimeter, the Discharger shall verify that the liquid is not from a leak in the primary liner system before waste can be accepted to the new module.

## G. STANDARD CLOSURE AND POST-CLOSURE SPECIFICATIONS

1. The Discharger shall submit a final or partial final closure and post-closure maintenance plan at least **two years** prior to the anticipated date of closure [Title 27, § 21780(d)(1)].

- 2. The Discharger shall notify the Central Valley Water Board in writing that a landfill unit or portion of a unit is to be closed either at the same time that the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) is notified or **180 days** prior to beginning any final closure activities, whichever is sooner [Title 27, § 21710(c)(5)(A)]. The notice shall include a statement that all closure activities will conform to the most recently approved final or partial final closure plan and that the plan provides for site closure in compliance with all applicable federal and state regulations [Title 27, § 21710(c)(5)(C)].
- Initiation of closure activities shall begin within 30 days of final waste receipt, or within one year of receipt of most recent waste if additional capacity remains [40 C.F.R. § 258.60(f)].
- 4. Closure activities shall be completed within **180 days** of the beginning of closure activities unless an extension is granted by the Executive Officer [40 C.F.R. § 258.60(g)].
- 5. The Discharger shall carry out both mandatory closure and normal closure of a waste management unit or a portion of a unit in accordance with a closure and post-closure maintenance plan approved by the Central Valley Water Board [Title 27, § 20950(a)(1)] through the issuance of closure waste discharge requirements.
- 6. The Discharger shall notify the Central Valley Water Board that a preliminary closure and post-closure maintenance plan has been prepared and placed in the operating record by the date of initial receipt of waste at any new MSW landfill unit or lateral expansion of any existing unit [40 C.F.R. § 258.60(d)]. This notification shall be included in the cover letter transmitting the preliminary closure and post-closure maintenance plan.
- 7. In addition to the applicable provisions of Title 27, the preliminary closure and/or the post-closure maintenance plans for MSW landfill units shall include the following:
  - a. A description of the steps necessary to close all MSW landfill units at any point during their active life in accordance with the cover design requirements [40 C.F.R. § 258.60(c)];
  - An estimate of the largest area of the landfill unit(s) ever requiring a final cover at any time during the active life of the unit(s) [40 C.F.R. § 258.60(c)(2)];
  - c. An estimate of the maximum inventory of wastes ever on-site over the active life of the waste management facility [40 C.F.R. § 258.60(c)(3)]; and
  - d. A schedule for completing all activities necessary to satisfy the closure criteria in 40 C.F.R. section 258.60 [40 C.F.R. § 258.60(c)(4)].

- 8. The final closure and post-closure maintenance plan for the waste management unit shall include at least the following: an itemized cost analysis, closure schedule, any proposed final treatment procedures, map, changes to the unit description presented in the most recent ROWD, federal requirements for a MSW facility, land use of the closed unit, and a construction quality assurance plan [Title 27, § 21769(c) & (d)].
- Closure of each waste management unit shall be under the direct supervision of a registered civil engineer or certified engineering geologist [Title 27, § 20950(b)].
- 10. The final cover of closed landfills shall be designed, graded, and maintained to prevent ponding and soil erosion due to high run-off velocities [Title 27, § 21090(b)(1)(A)].
- 11. The final grading design shall be designed and approved by a registered civil engineer or certified engineering geologist [Title 27, § 21090(b)(1)(C)].
- 12. All final cover designs shall include a minimum 1-foot thick erosion resistant layer [Title 27, § 21090(a)(3)(A)].
- 13. The Discharger shall close the landfill with minimum 15-foot wide benches every 50 vertical feet [Title 27, § 21090(a)].
- 14. Final cover slopes shall not be steeper than a horizontal to vertical ratio of one and three quarters to one and designs having any slopes steeper than a horizontal to vertical ratio of three to one, or having a geosynthetic component, shall have these aspects of their design specifically supported in the slope stability report required in Title 27, section 21750(f)(5) [Title 27, § 21090(a)].
- 15. For any portions of the final cover installed after July 18, 1997, for which the Central Valley Water Board has not approved a slope and foundation stability report on or before that date, the Discharger shall meet the requirements of Title 27, section 21750(f)(5) [Title 27, § 21090(a)(6)].
- 16. Areas with slopes greater than ten percent, surface drainage courses, and areas subject to erosion by wind or water shall be designed and constructed to prevent such erosion [Title 27, § 21090(b)(2)].
- 17. The Discharger shall design storm water conveyance systems for closed Class III units for a 100-year, 24-hour storm event, and shall design storm water conveyance systems for closed Class II units for a 1,000-year, 24-hour storm event [Title 27, § 21750(e)(3)].
- 18. Closed landfill units shall be provided with at least two permanent surveying monuments, installed by a licensed land surveyor or by a registered civil engineer, from which the location and elevation of all wastes, containment

structures, and monitoring facilities can be determined throughout the post-closure maintenance period [Title 27, § 20950(d)].

- 19. Following closure of any MSW landfill units, the Discharger shall notify the Executive Officer that the deed to the landfill facility property, or some other instrument that is normally examined during a title search, has been recorded and a copy placed in the operating record. The notation on the deed shall in perpetuity notify any potential purchaser of the property that the land has been used as a landfill facility and that use of the land is restricted to the planned use described in the post-closure maintenance plan [Title 27, § 20515(a)(4) and §21170, and 40 C.F.R. § 258.60(i)].
- 20. Construction or repair of the final cover system's low-hydraulic conductivity layer is to be carried out in accordance with an approved construction quality assurance plan [Title 27, § 21090(b)(1)(E)].
- 21. The Discharger shall incorporate into the closure and post-closure maintenance plan a cover-integrity monitoring and maintenance program which includes at least the following: a periodic leak search, periodic identification of other problem areas, prompt cover repair, and vegetation maintenance [Title 27, § 21090(a)(4)].
- 22. The Discharger shall complete a final cover survey upon completion of closure activities for that portion of the landfill. The final cover surveys shall include an initial survey and map [Title 27, § 21090(e)(1). Every **five years**, the Discharger shall conduct a survey of the closed landfill cover and submit an iso-settlement map accurately depicting the estimated total change in elevation of each portion of the final cover's low-hydraulic-conductivity layer [Title 27, § 21090(e)(2)].
- 23. Within **30 days** of completion of <u>all</u> closure activities, the Discharger shall certify that all closure activities were performed in accordance with the most recently approved final closure plan and CQA Plan, and in accordance with all applicable regulations. The Discharger shall also certify that closed landfill units shall be maintained in accordance with and approved post-closure maintenance plan [Title 27, § 21710(c)(6)].
- 24. Within **180 days** of completion of closure construction activities, the Discharger shall submit final documentation of closure, including the Certification of Closure. The closure documents shall include a final construction quality assurance report and any other documents necessary to support the certification [Title 27, § 21880].
- 25. The post-closure maintenance period shall continue until the Central Valley Water Board determines that wastes remaining in the landfill unit(s) no longer pose a threat to water quality [Title 27, § 20950(a)(1)].

- 26. The Discharger shall conduct a periodic leak search to monitor of the integrity of the final cover in accordance with the schedule in the approved final postclosure maintenance plan [Title 27, § 21090(a)(4)(A)].
- 27. The Discharger shall periodically inspect and identify problems with the final cover including areas that require replanting, erosion, areas lacking free drainage, areas damaged by equipment operations, and localized areas identified in the required five-year iso-settlement survey [Title 27, § 21090(a)(4)(B)].
- 28. The Discharger shall repair the cover promptly in accordance with a cover repair plan to be included in the final post-closure maintenance plan [Title 27, § 21090(a)(4)(C)].
- 29. Throughout the post-closure maintenance period, the Discharger shall maintain the structural integrity and effectiveness of all containment structures, maintain the final cover as necessary to correct the effects of settlement and other adverse factors, continue to operate the LCRS as long as leachate is generated and detected, maintain the monitoring systems, prevent erosion and related damage of the final cover due to drainage, and protect and maintain surveyed monuments [Title 27, § 21090(c)].
- 30. Post-closure maintenance shall be conducted for a minimum period of **30 years** or until the waste no longer poses a threat to environmental quality, whichever is greater [Title 27, § 21180(a) and Title 27, § 21900(a)].

# H. STANDARD FINANCIAL ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

- 1. The Discharger shall establish an irrevocable fund for closure and postclosure maintenance to ensure closure and post-closure maintenance of each classified unit in accordance with an approved closure and post-closure maintenance plan [Title 27, § 20950(f) and § 22207(a)].
- 2. The Discharger shall obtain and maintain assurances of financial responsibility for initiating and completing corrective action for all known and reasonably foreseeable releases from the waste management unit [Title 27, §20380(b), § 22221, and § 22222].

# I. STANDARD MONITORING SPECIFICATIONS

 The water quality monitoring program shall include appropriate and consistent sampling and analytical procedures and methods designed to ensure that monitoring results provide a reliable indication of water quality at all monitoring points and background monitoring points [Title 27, § 20415(e)(4) and 40 C.F.R. § 258.53(b)].

- 2. All monitoring systems shall be designed and certified by a registered geologist or a registered civil engineer [Title 27, § 20415(e)(1)].
- 3. All monitoring wells shall be cased and constructed in a manner that maintains the integrity of the monitoring well bore hole and prevents the bore hole from acting as a conduit for contaminant transport [Title 27, § 20415(b)(4)(A)].
- All sample chemical analyses of any material shall be performed by a laboratory certified by the California Department of Health Services [Wat. Code, § 13176(a)].
- 5. A Detection Monitoring Program for a new landfill facility shall be installed, operational, and one year of monitoring data collected from background monitoring points prior to the discharge of wastes [Title 27, § 20415(e)(6)].
- 6. Background for water samples or soil-pore gas samples shall be represented by the data from all samples taken from applicable background monitoring points during that reporting period (at least one sample from each background monitoring point).
- 7. The Discharger shall submit for approval, establish, and maintain an approved Sample Collection and Analysis Plan. The Sample Collection and Analysis Plan shall at a minimum include:
  - a. Sample collection procedures describing purging techniques, sampling equipment, and decontamination of sampling equipment;
  - b. Sample preservation information and shipment procedures;
  - c. Sample analytical methods and procedures;
  - d. Sample quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures;
  - e. Chain of Custody control; and
  - f. Sample analysis information including sample preparation techniques to avoid matrix interferences, method detection limits (MDLs), practical quantitation limits (PQLs) and reporting limits (RLs), and procedures for reporting trace results between the MDL and PQL.

If required by the Executive Officer, the Discharger shall modify the Sample Collection and Analysis Plan to conform with this Order.

8. For any given monitored medium, the samples taken from all monitoring points and background monitoring points to satisfy the data analysis requirements for a given reporting period shall all be taken **within a span not to exceed 30 days**, unless a longer time period is approved, and shall be taken in a manner that ensures sample independence to the greatest extent feasible. Specific methods of collection and analysis must be identified. Sample collection, storage, and analysis shall be performed according to the most recent version of USEPA Methods, such as the latest editions, as applicable, of: (1) Methods for the Analysis of Organics in Water and Wastewater (USEPA 600 Series), (2) Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste (SW-846, latest edition), and (3) Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Wastes (USEPA 600/4-79-020), and in accordance with the approved Sample Collection and Analysis Plan. Appropriate sample preparation techniques shall be used to minimize matrix interferences.

- If methods other than USEPA-approved methods or Standard Methods are used, or there is a proposed alternant USEPA method than the one listed in the MRP, the proposed methodology shall be submitted for review and approval prior to use, including information showing its equivalence to the required method.
- 10. The **methods of analysis and the detection limits** used must be appropriate for the expected concentrations. For the monitoring of any constituent or parameter that is found in concentrations which produce more than 90% non-numerical determinations (i.e., "trace" or "ND") in data from background monitoring points for that medium, the analytical method having the lowest MDL shall be selected from among those methods which would provide valid results in light of any matrix effects or interferences.
- 11. The laboratory reporting limit (RL) for all reported monitoring data shall be set no greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).
- 12. "**Trace**" results results falling between the MDL and the PQL shall be reported as such, and shall be accompanied both by the estimated MDL and PQL values for that analytical run.
- 13. Laboratory data shall not be altered or revised by the Discharger. If the Discharger observes potential lab errors, it shall identify the issue in the monitoring report and shall describe steps that will be taken to prevent similar errors in the future.
- 14. MDLs and PQLs shall be derived by the laboratory for each analytical procedure, according to State of California laboratory accreditation procedures. These MDLs and PQLs shall reflect the detection and quantitation capabilities of the specific analytical procedure and equipment used by the lab, rather than simply being quoted from USEPA analytical method manuals. In relatively interference-free water, laboratory-derived MDLs and PQLs are expected to closely agree with published USEPA MDLs and PQLs. MDLs and PQLs shall be reported.

- 15. If the laboratory suspects that, due to a change in matrix or other effects, the true detection limit or quantitation limit for a particular analytical run differs significantly from the laboratory-derived MDL/PQL values, the results shall be flagged in the laboratory report accordingly, along with estimates of the detection limit and quantitation limit actually achieved. The MDL shall always be calculated such that it represents the lowest achievable concentration associated with a 99% reliability of a nonzero result. The PQL shall always be calculated such that it represents the lowest constituent concentration at which a numerical value can be assigned with reasonable certainty that it represents the constituent's actual concentration in the sample. Normally, PQLs should be set equal to the concentration of the lowest standard used to calibrate the analytical procedure.
- 16. All QA/QC data shall be reported, along with the sample results to which they apply, including the method, equipment, analytical detection and quantitation limits, the percent recovery, an explanation for any recovery that falls outside the QC limits, the results of equipment and method blanks, the results of spiked and surrogate samples, the frequency of quality control analysis, and the name and signature of a responsible person from the laboratory. Sample results shall be reported unadjusted for blank results or spike recoveries. In cases where contaminants are detected in QA/QC samples (i.e., field, trip, or lab blanks), the accompanying sample results shall be appropriately flagged, but the analytical results shall not be adjusted.
- 17. Unknown chromatographic peaks shall be reported, flagged, and tracked for potential comparison to subsequent unknown peaks that may be observed in future sampling events. Identification of unknown chromatographic peaks that recur in subsequent sampling events may be required.
- 18. The sampling interval of each monitoring well shall be appropriately screened and fitted with an appropriate filter pack to enable collection of representative groundwater samples [Title 27, § 20415(b)(4)(B)]. Groundwater samples shall not be field-filtered prior to laboratory analysis [40 C.F.R. § 258.53(b)]. Groundwater samples needing filtering (e.g., samples to be analyzed for dissolved metals) shall be filtered by the laboratory prior to analysis.
- 19. Groundwater elevations shall be measured in each well immediately prior to purging, each time groundwater is sampled. The owner or operator shall determine the rate and direction of groundwater flow each time groundwater is sampled. Groundwater elevations in wells which monitor the same waste management area shall be measured within a period of time short enough to avoid temporal variations in groundwater flow which could preclude accurate determination of groundwater flow rate and direction [40 C.F.R. § 258.53(d)].
- 20. Monitoring wells, piezometers, and other measurement, sampling, and analytical devices must be operated and maintained so that they perform to design

specifications throughout the life of the monitoring program [40 C.F.R.  $\S$  258.51(c)(2)]. Monitoring devices that cannot be operated and maintained to perform to design specifications shall be replaced after review and approval of a report (i.e., work plan) for the proposed replacement devices.

- 21. All borings are to be logged during drilling under the direct supervision of a registered geologist or registered civil engineer with expertise in stratigraphic well logging [Title 27, § 20415(e)(2)].
- 22. Soils are to be described according to the Unified Soil Classification System [Title 27, § 20415(e)(2)(A)]. Rock is to be described in a manner appropriate for the purpose of the investigation [Title 27, § 20415(e)(2)(B)].
- 23. The Discharger shall submit a work plan for review and approval at least **60 days** prior to installation or abandonment of groundwater monitoring wells.
- 24. The Discharger shall provide Central Valley Water Board staff a minimum of **one week** notification prior to commencing any field activities related to the installation or abandonment of monitoring devices.
- 25. The water quality protection standard shall consist of the constituents of concern (COC), concentration limits, and the point of compliance. The water quality protection standard shall apply during the active life of the waste management unit, closure period, post-closure maintenance period, and any compliance period under Title 27, section 20410 [Title 27, § 20390].
- 26. The point of compliance at which the water quality protection standard applies is a vertical surface located at the hydraulically downgradient limit of the waste management unit that extends through the uppermost aquifer underlying the unit [Title 27, § 20405).
- 27. The compliance period is the minimum period of time during which the Discharger shall conduct a water quality monitoring program and is the number of years equal to the active life of the waste management unit plus the closure period [Title 27, § 20410(a)].
- 28. The groundwater monitoring system shall include a sufficient number of monitoring points, installed at appropriate locations, to yield groundwater samples from the uppermost aquifer that represent the quality of groundwater that has not been affected by a release from the waste management unit [Title 27, § 20415(b)(1)(A)].
- 29. The Detection Monitoring Program shall include a sufficient number of monitoring points, installed at appropriate locations and depths to yield groundwater samples from the uppermost aquifer that represent the quality of

groundwater passing the point of compliance to allow the detection of a release from the waste management unit [Title 27, § 20415(b)(1)(B)1.].

- 30. Additional monitoring points shall be added as necessary to provide the best assurance of the **earliest possible detection** of a release from the waste management unit [Title 27, § 20415(b)(1)(B)2.].
- 31. The Detection Monitoring Program shall also include a sufficient number of monitoring points installed at appropriate depths and locations to yield groundwater samples from other aquifers or perched zones not already monitored to provide the **earliest possible detection** of a release from the waste management unit [Title 27, § 20415(b)(1)(B)3. and 4., and §20420(b)].
- 32. A surface water monitoring system shall be established to monitor each surface water body that could be affected by a release from the waste management unit [Title 27, § 20415(c)].
- 33. An unsaturated zone monitoring system shall be established for each waste management unit [Title 27, § 20415(d)].
- 34. The Discharger shall notify Central Valley Water Board staff within **seven days** if fluid is detected in a previously dry LCRS, unsaturated zone monitoring system, or if a progressive increase is detected in the volume of fluid in a LCRS [Title 27, § 21710(c)(3)].
- 35. Driller's logs for all monitoring wells shall to be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board and the Department of Water Resources [Wat. Code, § 13751 and Title 27, § 20415(b)(3)].
- 36. Groundwater elevation, temperature, electrical conductivity, turbidity, and pH are to be accurately measured at each well each time groundwater is sampled [Title 27, § 21415(e)(13)].
- 37. The groundwater flow rate and direction in the uppermost aquifer and in any zones of perched water and in any additional portions of the zone of saturation being monitored shall be determined at least quarterly [Title 27, § 20415(e)(15)].
- 38. The Discharger shall graph all analytical data from each monitoring point and background monitoring point and shall submit the graphs to the Central Valley Water Board annually [Title 27, § 20415(e)(14)].
- 39. For each waste management unit, the Discharger shall collect all data necessary for selecting appropriate data analysis methods for establishing background values for each constituent of concern and for each monitoring parameter [Title 27, § 20420(c)]. The Discharger shall propose a data analysis method that includes a detailed description of the criteria to be used for

determining "measurably significant" (as defined in Title 27, section 20164) evidence of a release from the waste management unit and determining compliance with the water quality protection standard [Title 27, § 20415(e)(6) and (7)].

- 40. For statistical analysis of data, the Discharger shall use one of the methods described in Title 27, section 20415(e)(8)(A)-(E). A non-statistical data analysis method can be used if the method can achieve the goal of the particular monitoring program at least as well as the most appropriate statistical method [Title 27, § 20415(e)(8)]. The Discharger shall use a statistical or nonstatistical data analysis method that complies with Title 27, section 20415(e)(7, 8, 9, and 10), to compare the concentration of each constituent of concern or monitoring parameter with its respective background concentration to determine whether there has been a measurably significant evidence of a release from the waste management unit. For any given monitoring point at which a given constituent has already exhibited a measurably significant indication of a release at that monitoring point, the Discharger may propose to monitor the constituent, at that well, using a concentration-versus-time plot.
- 41. The Discharger may propose an alternate statistical method [to the methods listed under Title 27, section 20415(e)(8)(A-D)] in accordance with Title 27, section 20415(e)(8)(E), for review and approval.
- 42. The statistical method shall account for data below the practical quantitation limit (PQL) with one or more statistical procedures that are protective of human health and the environment. Any PQL validated pursuant to Title 27, section 20415(e)(7) that is used in the statistical method shall be the lowest concentration (or value) that can be reliably achieved within limits of precision and accuracy specified in the WDRs or an approved Sample Collection and Analysis Plan for routine laboratory operating conditions that are available to the facility. The Discharger's technical report (Sample Collection and Analysis Plan and/or Water Quality Protection Standard Report), pursuant to Title 27, section 20415(e)(7), shall consider the PQLs listed in Appendix IX to Chapter 14 of Division 4.5 of Title 22, CCR, for guidance when specifying limits of precision and accuracy. For any given constituent monitored at a background or downgradient monitoring point, an indication that falls between the MDL and the PQL for that constituent (hereinafter called a "trace" detection) shall be identified and used in appropriate statistical or non-statistical tests. Nevertheless, for a statistical method that is compatible with the proportion of censored data (trace and ND indications) in the data set, the Discharger can use the laboratory's concentration estimates in the trace range (if available) for statistical analysis, in order to increase the statistical power by decreasing the number of "ties".
- 43. The water quality protection standard for organic compounds which are not naturally occurring and not detected in background groundwater samples shall

be taken as the detection limit of the analytical method used (e.g., USEPA methods 8260 and 8270).

- 44. Alternate statistical procedures may be used for determining the significance of analytical results for common laboratory contaminants (i.e., methylene chloride, acetone, diethylhexyl phthalate, and di-n-octyl phthalate) if part of an approved water quality protection standard. Nevertheless, analytical results involving detection of these analytes in any background or downgradient sample shall be reported and flagged for easy reference by Central Valley Water Board staff.
- 45. **Confirmation of Measurably Significant Evidence of a Release.** Whenever a constituent is detected at a detection monitoring point at a concentration that exceeds the concentration limit from the water quality protection standard, the Discharger shall conduct verification sampling to confirm if the exceedance is due to a release or if it is a false-positive (unless previous monitoring has already confirmed a release for that constituent at that monitoring point). An exceedance of the concentration limit from the water quality protection standard is considered measurably significant evidence of a release that must be either confirmed or denied. There are two separate verification testing procedures:
  - a. Standard Monitoring Specification I.46 provides the procedure for analytes that are detected in less than 10% of the background samples such as non-naturally occurring constituents like volatile organic compounds; and
  - b. Standard Monitoring Specification I.47 provides the procedure for analytes that are detected in 10% or greater of the background samples such as naturally occurring constituents like chloride.
- 46. Verification Procedure for Analytes Detected in Less than 10% of Background Samples. The Discharger shall use the following non-statistical method for all analytes that are detected in less than 10% of the background samples. The non-statistical method shall be implemented as follows:
  - a. Initial Determination of Measurably Significant Evidence of a Release. Identify each analyte in the current detection monitoring point sample that exceeds either its respective MDL or PQL, and for which a release has not been previously confirmed. The Discharger shall conclude that the exceedance provides a preliminary indication of a release or a change in the nature or extent of the release, at that monitoring point, if *either:* 
    - 1) The data contains two or more analytes that equal or exceed their respective MDLs; or
    - 2) The data contains one or more analyte that equals or exceeds its PQL.

# b. Discrete Retest [Title 27, § 20415(e)(8)(E) and § 20420(j)(1-3)]:

- In the event that the Discharger or Central Valley Water Board staff concludes (pursuant to paragraph I.46.a., above) that there is a preliminary indication of a release, then the Discharger shall **immediately** notify Central Valley Water Board staff by phone or e-mail and, within **30 days** of such indication, shall collect two new (retest) samples from the monitoring point where the release is preliminarily indicated and analyze them for the constituents that caused the need for the retest.
- 2) Confirmation of a Release. As soon as the retest data are available, the Discharger shall conclude that measurably significant evidence of a release is confirmed if (not including the original sample) two or more analytes equal or exceed their respective MDLs or if one or more analyte equals or exceeds its PQL. The Discharger shall then:
  - a) **Immediately** verbally notify the Central Valley Water Board whether or not the retest confirmed measurably significant evidence of a release for the analyte at the monitoring point, and follow up with written notification submitted by certified mail **within seven days** of the verbal notification; and
  - b) Carry out the requirements of Section J, **RESPONSE TO A RELEASE** if a release has been confirmed.
  - c) Add any five-year analyte that is confirmed per this method to the monitoring parameter list such that it is monitored during each regular monitoring event.
- 47. Verification Procedure for Analytes Detected in 10% or Greater of the Background Samples. The Discharger shall use either a statistical or non-statistical method pursuant to Title 27, section 20415(e)(8)(E) for all analytes that are detected in 10% or greater of the background samples. The Discharger shall use one of the statistical methods required in Title 27, section 20415(e)(8)(E) unless another method has been proposed by the Discharger in a Water Quality Protection Standard Report (or equivalent report) and approved by the Central Valley Water Board in a Monitoring and Reporting Program pursuant to Title 27, section 20415(e)(8)(E). The method shall be implemented as follows:
  - a. Initial Determination of Measurably Significant Evidence of a Release. The Discharger shall compare the value reported by the laboratory for each analyte to the statistically-derived concentration limit from the most recent report (Annual Monitoring Report or Water Quality Protection Standard Report) that uses the approved statistical procedure. If the value exceeds

the concentration limit for that constituent, the Discharger shall conclude that there in measurably significant evidence of a release [Title 27, § 20420(i)].

- b. Retest Method [Title 27, § 20415(e)(8)(E) and § 20420(j)(1-3)].
  - 1) In the event that the Discharger or Central Valley Water Board staff concludes (pursuant to paragraph I.47.a., above) that there is a preliminary indication of a release, then the Discharger shall **immediately** notify Central Valley Water Board staff by phone or e-mail and, within **30** days [Title 27, § 20415(e)(3)] of such indication, the Discharger shall implement a verification procedure/retest option, in accordance with Title 27, sections 20415(e)(8)(E) and 20420(j)(2). The verification procedure shall include either a single "composite" retest (i.e., a statistical analysis that augments and reanalyzes the data from the monitoring point that indicated a release) or shall consist of at least two "discrete" retests (i.e., statistical analyses each of which analyzes only newly-acquired data from the monitoring point that indicated a release) [Title 27, § 20415(e)(8)(E)]. The Discharger may use an alternate method previously approved by the Central Valley Water Board and included in the Monitoring and Reporting Program. The verification procedure shall comply with the requirements of Title 27, section 20415(e)(8)(E) in addition to the performance standards of Title 27, section 20415(e)(9). The retest samples shall be collected from the monitoring point where the release is preliminarily indicated and shall be analyzed for the constituents that caused the need for the retest. For any indicated monitoring parameter or constituent of concern, if the retest results of one or more of the retest data suites confirm the original indication, the Discharger shall conclude that measurably significant evidence of a release has been confirmed.
  - 2) **Confirmation of a Release**. As soon as the retest data are available, the Discharger shall evaluate the results pursuant to paragraph I.47.b.1, above and shall:
    - a) **Immediately** verbally notify the Central Valley Water Board whether or not the retest confirmed measurably significant evidence of a release for the analyte at the monitoring point, and follow up with written notification submitted by certified mail **within seven days** of the verbal notification; and
    - b) Carry out the requirements of Section J, **RESPONSE TO A RELEASE** if a release has been confirmed.
    - c) Add any five-year analyte that is confirmed per this method to the monitoring parameter list such that it is monitored during each regular monitoring event.

48. Physical Evidence of a Release. If the Discharger determines that there is a significant physical evidence of a release, the Discharger shall immediately verbally notify Central Valley Water Board staff and provide written notification by certified mail within 7 days of such determination, and within 90 days shall submit an amended report of waste discharge to establish an Evaluation Monitoring Program [Title 27, § 20385(a)(3) and § 20420(l)(1) & (2)].

# J. RESPONSE TO A RELEASE

- 1. **Measurably Significant Evidence of a Release Has Been Confirmed**. If the Discharger has confirmed that there is measurably significant evidence of a release from a waste management unit pursuant to Standard Monitoring Specification I.46 or I.47, then the Discharger shall:
  - a. **Immediately** sample all monitoring points in the affected medium at that waste management unit and determine the concentration of all monitoring parameters and constituents of concern for comparison with established concentration limits. Because this constituent of concern scan does not involve statistical testing, the Discharger will need to collect and analyze only a single water sample from each monitoring point in the affected medium [Title 27, § 20420(k)(1)].
  - b. Within 14 days of confirming measurably significant evidence of a release, the Discharger shall (for releases from MSW landfill units) notify all persons who own the land or reside on the land that directly overlies any portion of the plume of contamination if contaminants have migrated off-site if indicated by sampling of detection monitoring wells [40 C.F.R. § 258.55(g)(1)(iii)].
  - c. Within 90 days of confirming measurably significant evidence of a release, the Discharger shall submit an amended report of waste discharge to establish an Evaluation Monitoring Program meeting the requirements of Title 27, sections 20420(k)(5)(A-D), including but not limited to the results of sampling pursuant to paragraph J.1.a, above. The Evaluation Monitoring Program shall be designed for the collection and analysis of all data necessary to assess the nature and extent of the release and to determine the spatial distribution and concentration of each constituent throughout the zone affected by the release [Title 27, § 20420(k)(5) and § 20425(b)]. For releases from MSW landfill units, the Evaluation Monitoring Program shall also include any additional proposals necessary to comply with 40 C.F.R. § 258.55, particularly the additional monitoring well required by 40 C.F.R. § 258.55(g)(1)(ii).
  - d. **Within 180 days** of confirming measurably significant evidence of a release, the Discharger shall submit to the Central Valley Water Board an <u>initial</u> engineering feasibility study for a Corrective Action Program

necessary to meet the requirements of Title 27, section 20430. At a minimum, the initial engineering feasibility study shall contain a detailed description of the corrective action measures that could be taken to achieve background concentrations for all constituents of concern [Title 27, § 20420(k)(6)].

- If the Discharger confirms that there is measurably significant evidence of a e. release from the waste management unit at any monitoring point, the Discharger may attempt to demonstrate that a source other than the waste management unit caused the evidence of a release or that the evidence is an artifact caused by an error in sampling, analysis, or statistical evaluation or by natural variation in groundwater, surface water, or the unsaturated zone. The Discharger may make a demonstration pursuant to Title 27, section 20420(k)(7) in addition to or in lieu of submitting both an amended report of waste discharge or an engineering feasibility study; however, the Discharger is not relieved of the requirements and due dates of Title 27, sections 20420(k)(6) & (7) unless Central Valley Water Board staff agree that the demonstration successfully shows that a source other than the waste management unit caused the evidence of a release or that the evidence resulted from error in sampling, analysis, or statistical evaluation or from natural variation in groundwater, surface water, or the unsaturated zone. In order to make this demonstration, the Discharger shall notify the Central Valley Water Board by certified mail of the intent to make the demonstration within seven days of determining measurably significant evidence of a release, and shall submit a report within 90 days of determining measurably significant evidence of a release [Title 27, § 20420(k)(7)].
- f. **Within 90 days** of the date that the Evaluation Monitoring Program from paragraph J.1.c is approved (the date is it established), the Discharger shall complete and submit the following:
  - i) **Results and Assessment for the Evaluation Monitoring Program.** A report with the results and assessment based on the approved Evaluation Monitoring Program [Title 27, § 20425(b)].
  - ii) **Updated Engineering Feasibility Study.** An <u>updated</u> engineering feasibility study for corrective action based on the data collected to delineate the release and data from the ongoing monitoring program required under Title 27, section 20425(e) [Title 27, § 20425(c)].
  - iii) Amended ROWD for a Corrective Action Program. An amended report of waste discharge to establish a Corrective Action Program meeting the requirements of Title 27, section 20430 based on the data collected to delineate the release and based on the updated engineering feasibility study [Title 27, § 20425(d)].

g. The Discharger shall (for releases from MSW landfill units) discuss the results of the updated engineering feasibility study, prior to the final selection of a remedy, in a public meeting with interested and affected parties [40 C.F.R. § 258.56(d)].

# K. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- In the event the Discharger does not comply or will be unable to comply with any prohibition or limitation of this Order for any reason, the Discharger shall notify the appropriate Central Valley Water Board office by telephone **as soon as** it or its agents have knowledge of such noncompliance or potential for noncompliance, and shall confirm this notification in writing **within two weeks**. The written notification shall state the nature, time, and cause of noncompliance, and shall describe the measures being taken to prevent recurrences and shall include a timetable for corrective actions.
- 2. All reports and transmittal letters shall be signed by persons identified below:
  - a. For a corporation: by a principal executive officer of at least the level of senior vice-president.
  - b. For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor.
  - c. For a municipality, state, federal or other public agency: by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected or appointed official.
  - d. A duly authorized representative of a person designated in a, b or c above if:
    - 1) The authorization is made in writing by a person described in a, b, or c of this provision;
    - 2) The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity, such as the position of plant manager, operator of a Unit, superintendent, or position of equivalent responsibility (a duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position); and
    - 3) The written authorization is submitted to the Central Valley Water Board.

e. Any person signing a document under this Section shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment."

- 3. The Discharger shall take all reasonable steps to minimize any adverse impact to the waters of the State resulting from noncompliance with this Order. Such steps shall include accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature, extent, and impact of the noncompliance.
- 4. The owner of the waste management facility shall have the continuing responsibility to assure protection of waters of the state from discharged wastes and from gases and leachate generated by discharged waste during the active life, closure, and post-closure maintenance period of the waste management units and during subsequent use of the property for other purposes.
- 5. The fact that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with this Order shall not be regarded as a defense for the Discharger's violations of this Order.
- 6. The Discharger shall notify the Central Valley Water Board of a material change in; the types, quantity, or concentrations of wastes discharged; site operations and features; or proposed closure procedures, including changes in cost estimates. This notification shall be given a reasonable time before the changes are made or become effective. No changes shall be made without Central Valley Water Board approval following authorization for closure pursuant to the site Notification of Closure [Title 27, § 21710(a)(4)].
- 7. The Discharger shall maintain legible records of the volume and type of each waste discharged at each waste management unit or portion of a unit, and the manner and location of discharge. Such records shall be maintained by the Discharger until the beginning of the post-closure maintenance period. These records shall be on forms approved by the State Water Board or Central Valley Water Board and shall be maintained at the waste management facility until the beginning of the post-closure maintenance period. These records shall be review by representatives of the State Water Board or Central Valley Water Board at any time during normal business hours. At the beginning of the post-closure maintenance period, copies of these records shall be sent to the Central Valley Water Board [Title 27, § 21720(f)].
- 8. In the event of any change in landowner or the operator of the waste management facility, the Discharger shall notify the succeeding owner or

operator in writing of the existence of this Order. A copy of that notification shall be sent to the Central Valley Water Board.

- 9. In the event of any change of ownership or responsibility for construction, operation, closure, or post-closure maintenance of the waste discharge facilities described in this Order, the Discharger shall notify the Central Valley Water Board prior to the effective date of the change and shall include a statement by the new Discharger that construction, operation, closure, or post-closure maintenance will be in compliance with this Order and any revisions thereof [Title 27, § 21710(c)(1)].
- 10. To assume ownership or operation under this Order, the succeeding owner or operator must apply in writing to the Central Valley Water Board requesting transfer of the Order within **14 days** of assuming ownership or operation of this facility. The request must contain the requesting entity's full legal name, the State of incorporation if a corporation, the name and address and telephone number of the persons responsible for contact with the Central Valley Water Board, and a statement. The statement shall comply with the signatory requirements contained in General Provision K.2 and state that the new owner or operator assumes full responsibility for compliance with this Order. Failure to submit the request shall be considered a discharge without requirements, a violation of the Water Code. Transfer of this Order shall be approved or disapproved by the Central Valley Water Board.

# L. STORM WATER PROVISIONS

- 1. New and existing Class III landfills shall be designed, constructed, operated, and maintained to prevent inundation or washout due to floods with a 100-year return period [Title 27, § 20260(c)].
- 2. New and existing Class II landfills shall be designed, constructed, operated, and maintained to prevent inundation or washout due to floods with a 100-year return period [Title 27, § 20250(c)].
- The Discharger shall design storm water conveyance systems for Class III units for a 100-year, 24-hour storm event, and shall design storm water conveyance systems for Class II units for a 1,000-year, 24-hour storm event [Title 27, § 21750(e)(3)].
- 4. MSW landfills located in a 100-year floodplain shall demonstrate that the landfill unit will not restrict the flow of the 100-year flood, reduce the temporary water storage capacity of the floodplain, or result in washout of solid waste so as to pose a hazard to human health or the environment [40 C.F.R. § 258.11(a)].
- 5. Waste management units and their respective containment structures shall be designed and constructed to limit, to the greatest extent possible, ponding,

infiltration, inundation, erosion, slope failure, washout, and overtopping under the precipitation conditions for the unit [Title 27, § 20365(a)].

- 6. Precipitation on landfills or waste piles which is not diverted by covers or drainage control systems shall be collected and managed through the LCRS, which shall be designed and constructed to accommodate the precipitation conditions for each class unit [Title 27, § 20365(b)].
- 7. Diversion and drainage facilities shall be designed, constructed, and maintained to [Title 27, § 20365(c)]:
  - a. accommodate the anticipated volume of precipitation and peak flows from surface runoff and under the precipitation conditions for the waste management unit:
  - b. effectively divert sheet flow runoff laterally, via the shortest distance, into the drainage and collection facilities;
  - c. prevent surface erosion;
  - d. control and intercept run-on, in order to isolate uncontaminated surface waters from water that might have come into contact with waste;
  - e. take into account:
    - for closed waste management units and for closed portions of units, the expected final contours of the closed unit, including its planned drainage pattern;
    - ii) for operating portions of waste management units other than surface impoundments, the unit's drainage pattern at any given time;
    - iii) the possible effects of the waste management unit's drainage pattern on and by the regional watershed;
    - iv) the design capacity of drainage systems of downstream and adjacent properties by providing for the gradual release of retained water downstream in a manner which does not exceed the expected peak flow rate at the point of discharge if there were no waste management facility; and
  - f. preserve the system's function. The Discharger shall periodically remove accumulated sediment from the sedimentation or detention basins as needed to preserve the design capacity of the system.
- 8. Collection and holding facilities associated with precipitation and drainage control systems shall be emptied immediately following each storm or otherwise managed to maintain the design capacity of the system [Title 27, § 20365(d)].

- 9. Surface and subsurface drainage from outside of a waste management unit shall be diverted from the unit [Title 27, § 20365(e)].
- 10. Cover materials shall be graded to divert precipitation from the waste management unit, to prevent ponding of surface water over wastes, and to resist erosion as a result of precipitation [Title 27, § 20365(f)].
- 11. Any drainage layer in the final cover shall be designed and constructed to intersect with the final drainage system for the waste management unit in a manner promoting free drainage from all portions of the drainage layer [Title 27, §20365(f)].

#### INFORMATION SHEET

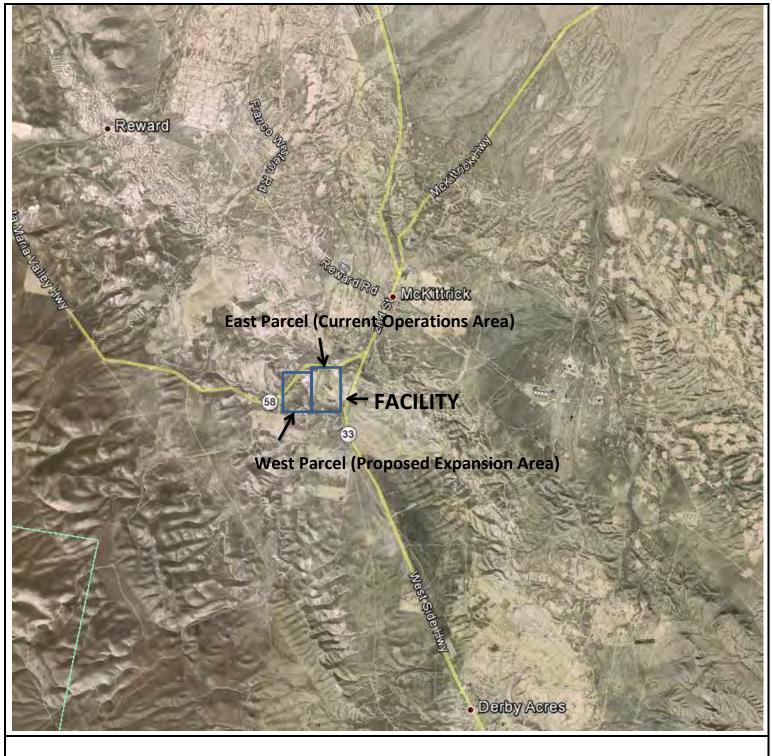
ORDER R5-2015-0080 OPERATION, CONSTRUCTION, AND CLOSURE McKITTRICK WASTE TREATMENT SITE KERN COUNTY

Liquid Waste Management, Inc. (hereafter Discharger) owns and operates the McKittrick Waste Treatment Site (Facility), located approximately one mile south of the town of McKittrick in Kern County. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order R5-2003-0160 on 17 October 2003, which classified the Facility as a Class II landfill as defined in Title 27, California Code of Regulations, section 20005 et seq. (hereafter Title 27). The proposed revised Order provides for continuing operation and expansion.

The 90-acre Facility consists of five waste management units (WMUs) covering approximately 27 acres. The Discharger proposes to expand the waste disposal area by an additional 24 acres. All WMUs are lined. The Facility is underlain by about 12 to 15 feet of fill material or alluvium overlying the Monterey Formation marine shale. The Tulare Formation overlies the Monterey Formation in portions of the western expansion area. The McKittrick thrust fault is located along the northeast boundary of the Facility and dips to the southwest. It is a dominant geologic structure and hydrogeologic boundary. The upper portion of the Monterey Formation is generally deeply weathered and highly fractured and is the upper water-bearing zone west of the fault. The younger Ridge Reef Formation consists of weakly consolidated fine- to medium-grained sandstone and is the upper water-bearing zone east of the fault. Folded and fractured Upper Miocene Monterey shale underlies the Facility and has resulted in ubiquitous tar and spring seeps on and around the Facility and primarily along the McKittrick thrust fault. A majority of tar and spring seeps lie to the north along the East and West Parcel lines. Shallow groundwater above an elevation of 1,260 feet msl flows towards the northeast and discharges into nearby springs.

Formation water in the McKittrick area is generally above 10,000 parts per million of total dissolved solids (TDS) and occurs at depths of several hundred feet below ground surface. Naturally occurring oil, high evaporation rates, percolation through marine sediments, and upwelling connate groundwater (water trapped in sediment at the time of deposition) along faults contribute to the overall poor groundwater quality. Petroleum compounds and the following volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are naturally occurring in groundwater at the Facility: benzene, carbon disulfide, isopropylbenzene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene, n-propylbenzene, and naphthalene. In 1991, the anthropogenic VOCs 1,1-Dichloroethane (1,1-DCA) and methyl tertbutyl ether (MTBE) were released to groundwater beneath the site, which was attributed to former unlined surface impoundments. The Facility was placed into a corrective action program (CAP) in 2002, which consisted of monitored natural attenuation. The concentrations of 1,1-DCA and MTBE attenuated to background water quality conditions by 2006 and 2009, respectively. Corrective action for 1,1-DCA and MTBE was deemed complete and the Facility returned to detection monitoring in 2015.

The Water Quality Control Plan for the Tulare Lake Basin, Second Edition (hereafter Basin Plan), designates beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives, and contains implementation plans and policies for all waters of the Basin. Groundwater and spring water within a 0.5 mile radius of the Facility are not suitable, or potentially suitable, for municipal or domestic supply. Furthermore, the WDRs require full containment of wastes and do not permit degradation of surface water or groundwater. Therefore, further anti-degradation analysis is not needed. The discharge is consistent with the anti-degradation provisions of State Water Resources Control Board Resolution No. 68.16.



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LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR McKITTRICK WASTE TREATMENT SITE KERN COUNTY

ATTACHMENT A

