

INFORMATION SHEET

ORDER NO.
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FORWARD INC. AND ALLIED WASTE INDUSTRIES INC.
FOR POST-CLOSURE MAINTENANCE OF FRENCH CAMP LANDFILL
SAN JOAQUIN, COUNTY

Forward Inc. (a subsidiary of Allied Waste Industries Inc.) (jointly hereafter referred to as Discharger) owns the French Camp Landfill, a closed unlined Class III landfill approximately one mile south of downtown Stockton. The Discharger closed the facility with a soil cover in compliance with California Code of Regulations Title 27.

The landfill began operations in 1938, as a burn dump accepting Groups 2 and 3 (old classification) wastes. Group 2 wastes consist of or contain chemically or biologically decomposable material which does not include toxic substances nor those capable of significantly impairing the quality of usable waters. Group 3 wastes consist entirely of non-water soluble non-decomposable inert solids. After 1957, the facility accepted only demolition and garden wastes. Wastes were not accepted after 1999. The facility was originally owned and operated by City of Stockton and was acquired by Forward Inc. in 1999 as part of a deal involving multiple properties.

The facility has been closed with a final landfill cover that complies with the cover requirements in Title 27. These Waste Discharge Requirements regulate the post-closure maintenance and environmental monitoring at this closed facility.

Groundwater down-gradient of the landfill contains elevated concentrations of total dissolved solids, chloride, sulfate and nitrate. Intermittent low levels of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) are often detected in groundwater samples. Low level VOC detections in groundwater are characteristic of releases due to landfill gas. Closure of the landfill may cause a temporary VOC increase in groundwater. A new landfill cover often traps gas that migrates to groundwater. In the long run the cover will prevent infiltration of water into the waste and generation of new gas will stop. This process often takes several years. If VOC concentrations in groundwater increase, the Discharger will implement its contingency gas extraction plan to mitigate this increase.

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