

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

ORDER NO. 76-20

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
FOR  
WATER WHEEL CAMP RECREATION AREA, INC.  
North of Blythe - Riverside County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, finds that:

1. Water Wheel Camp Recreation Area, Inc., Bert T. Denham, President (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger), 2900 Parker, Star Route, Blythe, California 92225, submitted a Report of Waste Discharge dated February 4, 1976.
2. The discharger currently discharges an estimated maximum of 3,500 gallons-per-operating-day of domestic sewage from twenty-five (25) trailer sites into an existing septic tank-leach field. The discharger proposes to construct 100 new campsites to be served by community restroom-shower facilities and 100 new trailer sites with sewer hookups, discharging an estimated maximum of 25,000 gallons-per-operating-day of domestic sewage into a septic tank-evaporation-infiltration pond system to be constructed. The total proposed discharge will be 28,500 gallons-per-operating-day, located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 14, T3S, R23E, SBB&M.
3. The discharge site (see attached site map which is a part of this order) is leased by Water Wheel Camp Recreation Area, Inc., from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Colorado River Agency, Route 1, Box 9-1C, Parker Arizona 85344, trustee for the Colorado Indian Tribes.
4. The Water Quality Control Plan for the East Colorado River Basin was adopted by the Board on April 10, 1975. This Order implements the objectives stated in the Plan.
5. The beneficial uses to be protected by this Order are:
  - a. Colorado River
    1. Groundwater recharge.
    2. Water-contact and non-water-contact recreation.
    3. Domestic, industrial, and agricultural water supplies.
    4. Wildlife and warm freshwater aquatic habitats.

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b. Groundwaters of the Colorado Hydrologic Unit.

1. Municipal water supply.
  2. Industrial water supply.
  3. Agricultural water supply.
6. The Board has notified the discharger and all other interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the proposed discharge.
7. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, Water Wheel Camp Recreation Area, Inc., shall comply with the following:

A. Discharge Specifications

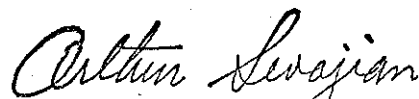
1. Neither the treatment nor the discharge of wastes shall cause a pollution or a nuisance.
2. The discharge of wastewater to the Colorado River or other surface waters is prohibited.
3. There shall be no surface flow of sewage away from the designated disposal areas.
4. Sewage effluent discharged subsurface shall be retained underground with no materials of sewage origin evident on the ground surface.
5. No wastes other than domestic sewage shall be discharged at this location.
6. The average daily flow shall not exceed 28,500 gallons-per-operating-day.
7. A freeboard depth of at least two (2) feet shall be maintained in the evaporation-infiltration ponds.
8. Septic tank cleanings shall be discharged only by a duly authorized service.
9. Evaporation-infiltration ponds shall not be located within 500 feet laterally of any water supply well, or of the Colorado River.
10. No part of the waste treatment and discharge facilities shall be located closer than five (5) feet vertically from the high groundwater elevation.

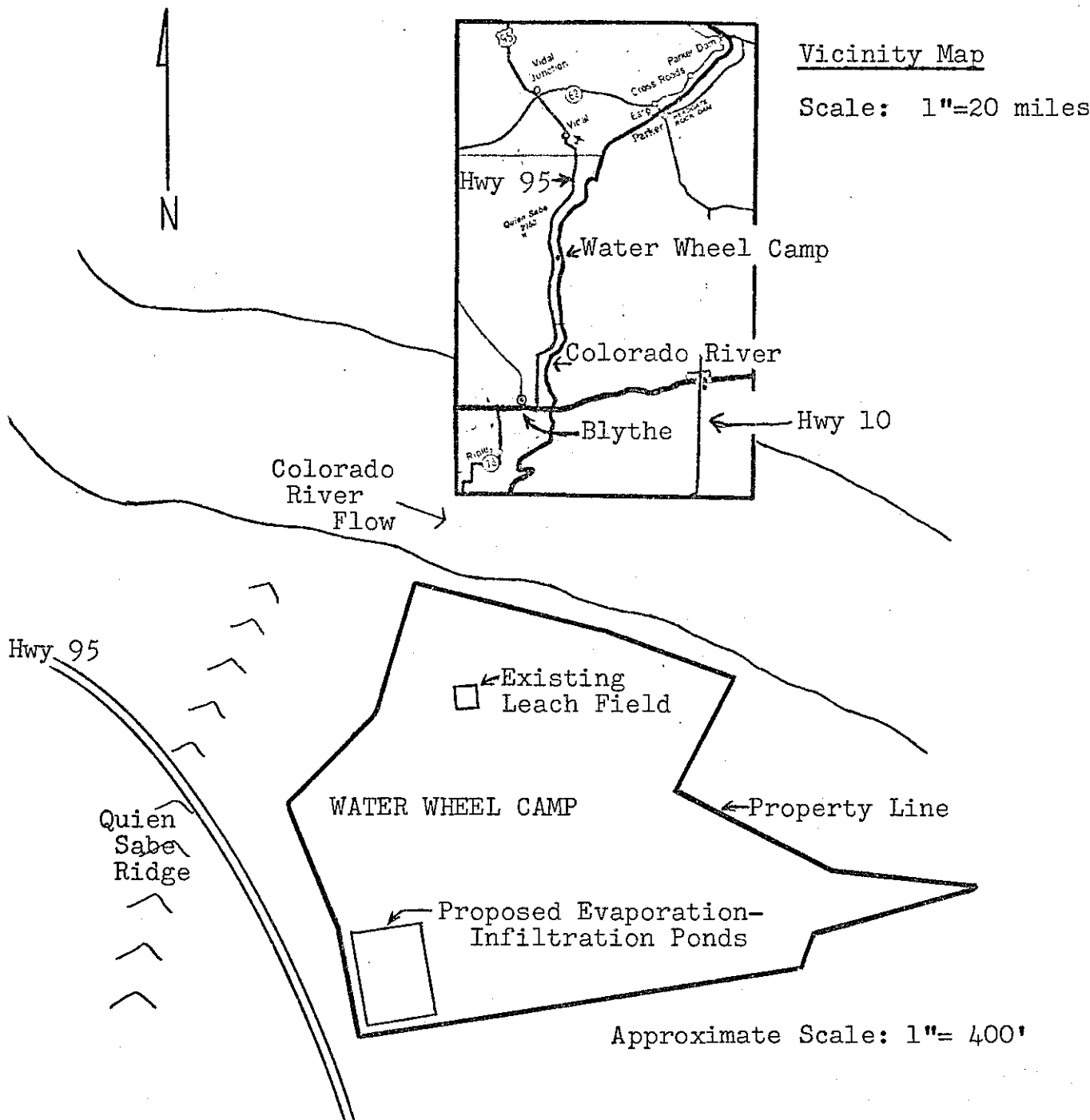
11. Facilities shall be available to keep the waste treatment and disposal system in operation in the event of commercial power failure.
12. Discharge from subsurface sewage disposal facilities which are located closer than 200 feet laterally from the regulated high-water line of the Colorado River is prohibited.

B. Provisions

1. Adequate protective works shall be provided to assure that a storm of once in 20-year frequency magnitude, and of 24-hour duration, or that surface drainage waters do not erode or otherwise render portions of the treatment and discharge facilities inoperable.
2. Adequate measures shall be taken to assure that unauthorized persons and animals are effectively excluded from contact with the discharge.
3. In the event of any change in operation, or in ownership of the land or waste disposal facilities owned or controlled by the discharger, the discharger shall:
  - a. Notify this Board of such change; and
  - b. Notify the succeeding owner or operator by letter of the existence of this Order, a copy of which shall be filed with this Board.
4. Prior to any modification in this facility which could result in material change in the quantity of the wastewater discharged, or any material change in the location of the discharge, the discharger shall report thereon to the Board.
5. Upon request from this Board's Executive Officer, the discharger shall furnish technical and/or monitoring reports on the treatment and discharge of waste.

I, Arthur Swajian, 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, Colorado River Basin Region on March 25, 1976.

  
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Executive Officer



SITE MAP

WATER WHEEL CAMP RECREATION AREA, INC.  
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