## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

## CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER NO. 76-67

## CITY OF BANNING SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITE Riverside County

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

- 1. The City of Banning, P. O. Box 998, Banning, CA 92220, owns and operates a solid waste disposal site southeast of Banning and adjacent Smith Creek in the NW4, Section 14, T13S, R1E, SBB&M. The total area of said site being actively utilized for solid waste disposal is approximately 60 acres.
- 2. The City of Banning was notified by letter dated August 27, 1975, that waste discharge requirements had not been prescribed by the Regional Board for the subject site, and that, if the City intended to use the site, the City must file a report of waste discharge and comply with requirements which the Board would prescribe.
- 3. On September 23, 1976, an aerial surveillance flight by Board staff revealed that refuse was being discharged at the subject site.
- 4. On October 8, 1976, Board staff inspected the subject site and noted the following deficiencies in site location and operation:
  - a. Group 2 materials, primarily paper, household garbage, and tree and shrub trimmings, have been discharged onto low areas of the site which are subject to inundation by flood waters from Smith Creek. An unknown quantity of Group 2 wastes were apparently carried off during the recent storms by floodwaters in Smith Creek.
  - b. Group 2 materials were in contact with ponded water in a depressed area of the subject site.
  - c. No provisions have been made to prevent surface runoff waters from contacting Group 2 materials.
  - d. Waste materials have been discharged onto the ground surface with no attempt to properly cover them.

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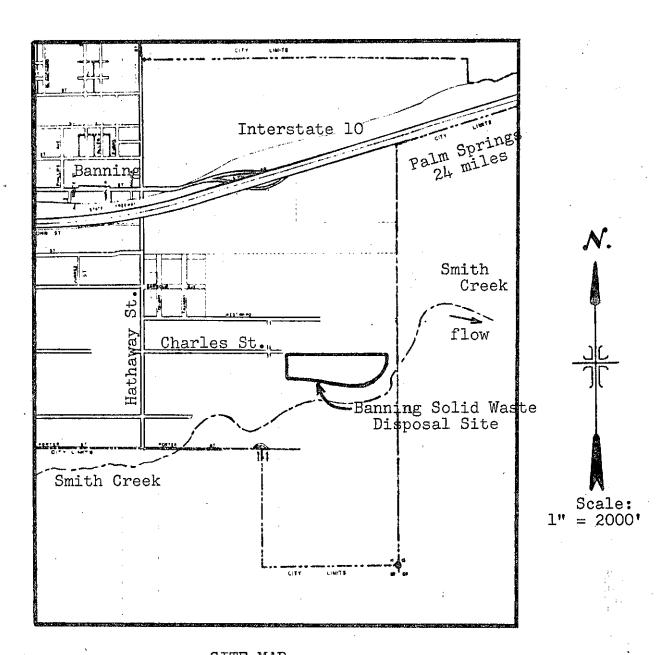
Paper was observed blowing from the site into Smith Creek and onto nearby fields. On October 14, 1976, upon request, an Associate Geologist with 5,• the State Water Resources Control Board, inspected the subject disposal site, and reported in a memo dated November 5, 1976, that portions of the site are subject to inundation or washout by a 100-year frequency flood. The report also concludes that the disposal of refuse in the low areas of the site would be discontinued and that all refuse should be removed from areas subject to 100-year frequency flooding. 6. On November 3, 1976, the Board's staff verbally notified the City that the discharge of wastes at the subject site is unauthorized, and requested that the City immediately abate all discharge of wastes at the subject site. On November 8, 1976, the Board's staff met with officials of 7. the City of Banning and explained that it would recommend that the Regional Board adopt a cleanup and abatement order against the City. 8. On November 8, 1976, the Board staff observed that the entrance to the subject site had not been closed and that private citizens were still entering the subject site to discharge Group 2 waste materials. By letter dated November 10, 1976, the Regional Board notified 9. the City of Banning of the deficiencies of the subject solid waste disposal site and explained that it would schedule a meeting to consider issuance of a cleanup and abatement order against the City unless, in the interim, the City removed all Group 2 waste materials from the subject site and discharged them to a solid waste disposal site approved by the Regional Board to receive such wastes. On November 18, 1976, after due notice to the City Council of the City of Banning, the Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the City of Banning 10. Solid Waste Disposal Site. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, purusant to Section 13304 of Division 7 of the California Water Code, the City of Banning shall: Take all actions necessary to immediately abate the further discharge of waste materials to the subject site. Remove, by December 30, 1976, all Group 2 waste materials from portions of the subject site which are subject to inundation by flood waters from Smith Creek, as designated on Attachment "A" (incorporated herein and made a part of this Order) as being at or below the 2088 foot topographic contour line. -2-

- 3. Provide to the Regional Board by December 30, 1976, a technical report on the method and location of final disposal of all Group 2 waste materials currently located at the subject site. Said report shall include a time schedule of specific actions whereby the City of Banning shall conduct the cleanup operations.
- 4. Cleanup and discharge by April 28, 1977, all Group 2 waste materials at the subject site, to a location approved by the Regional Board to receive said wastes.
- 5. Provide the Regional Board, upon request from its Executive Officer, periodic written reports, under penalty of perjury, regarding the City's progress towards compliance with provisions of this Order.

I, Arthur Swajian, Executive Officer, do hereby certify 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 November 18, 1976

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

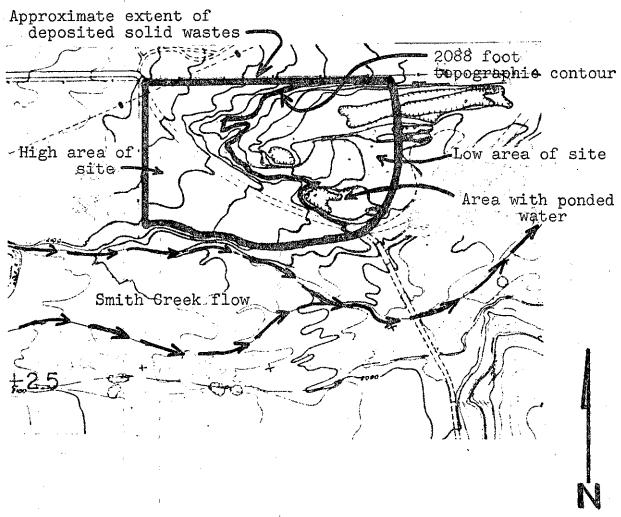
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Scale: 1" = 400'

ATTACHMENT "A"

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