CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

ORDER NO. 79-17

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
CACTUS CITY ROADSIDE REST
East of Indio - Riverside County

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

- 1. California Department of Transportation (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger), P.O. Box 81406, San Diego, CA 92138, submitted a Report of Waste Discharge, dated October 25, 1978.
- 2. The discharger is discharging an average total flow of 9,000 gallons-per-day of domestic sewage from the east and west bound comfort stations of a roadside rest complex on Interstate 10. The wastewater is discharged through septic tanks into seepage pits and leach fields which are located near the center of Section 5, T6S, R10E, SBB&M.
- 3. The discharger has reserved areas of sufficient size for 100% replacement of the leach fields and seepage pits. These areas are designated on Attachment "A" incorporated herein and made a part of this Order.
- 4. The discharger informs that there are no domestic wells within 200 feet of any leach fields and seepage pits or 100% replacement areas.
- 5. The Board staff recently observed evidence of sewage surfacing at the east bound station. The discharger reports that leach fields and low water use closets were recently installed at both locations to prevent surfacing.
- 6. The Water Quality Control Plan for the West Colorado River Basin was adopted by the Board on April 10, 1975. The Basin Plan contains water quality objectives for the Coachella Hydrologic Subunit.
- 7. The beneficial uses of the groundwater of the Coachella Hydrologic Subunit are:
 - a. Municipal supply
 - b. Industrial supply
 - c. Agricultural supply

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- 8. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge.
 - 9. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.
- 10. This roadside rest complex constitutes an ongoing project in accordance with provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.) and the State Guidelines because the governmental approvals on or after April 5, 1973, do not involve a greater degree of responsibility or control over such activity than the governmental approvals received prior to that date.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, the discharger shall comply with the following:

A. Discharge Specifications

- 1. Neither the treatment nor the discharge of wastewater shall create a pollution or a nuisance as defined in Division 7 of the California Water Code.
- 2. No wastewater other than domestic sewage shall be discharged at this location.
- 3. Wastewater discharged subsurface shall be retained underground with no surfacing.
- 4. Adequate measures shall be taken to assure that flood or surface drainage waters do not erode or otherwise render portions of the discharge facilities inoperable.
- 5. Septic tank cleanings shall be discharged only by a duly authorized service.

B. Provisions

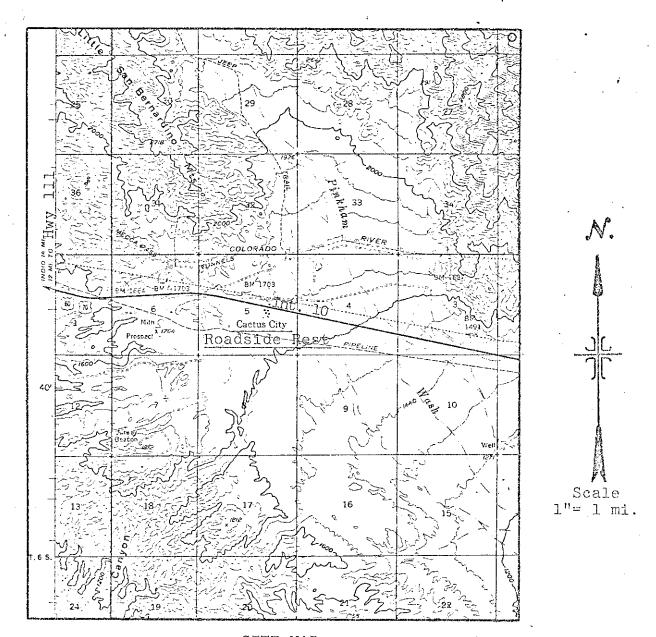
1. The areas reserved for 100% replacement of the leach fields and seepage pits, as shown on Attachment "A", shall at all times be retained servient to this roadside complex, for the purpose of providing additional subsurface sewage disposal capacity, until such time as this complex is connected to a municipal sewerage system.

- 2. Upon request from this Board's Executive Officer, the discharger shall furnish technical and/or monitoring reports on the treatment and discharge of waste.
- 3. Prior to any modifications in this facility which would result in material change in the quality or quantity of wastewater discharged, or any material change in location of discharge, the discharger shall report in writing to the Regional Board.
- 4. Prior to any change of ownership of this roadside complex, the discharger shall:
 - a. Specify as a condition of transfer that said sewage disposal areas must remain servient to the comfort stations, for the purpose of providing subsurface sewage disposal capacity, until such time as this complex is connected to a municipal sewerage system.
 - b. Notify the succeeding owner, in writing, of the existence of this Order, and forward a copy of said correspondence to the Regional Board.

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 January 17, 1979

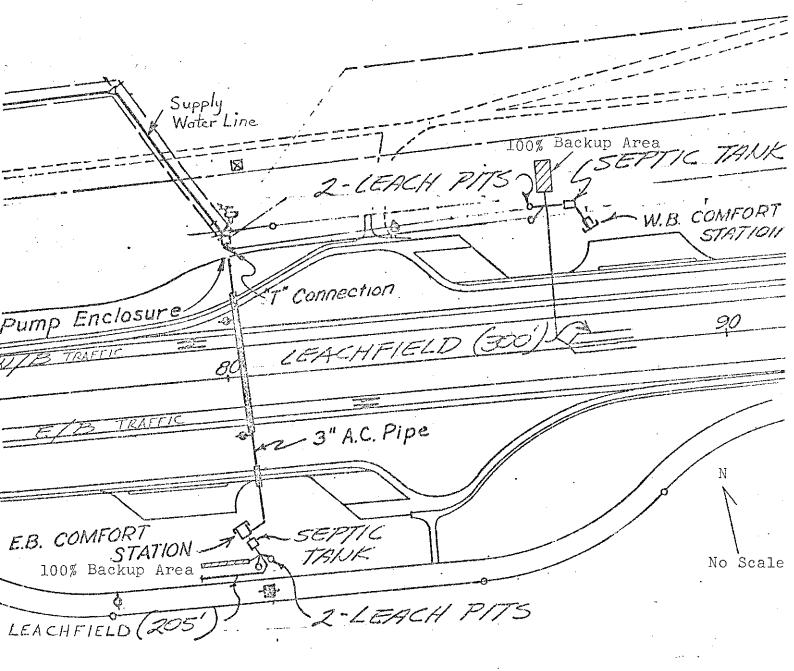
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SITE MAP
CACTUS CITY ROADSIDE REST
East of Indio - Riverside County
Near the Center of Section 5, T6S, R10E, SBB&M
USGS Cottonwood Spring 15 min. Topographic Map

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ATTACHMENT A

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