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

ORDER NO. 82-6

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
CITY OF COACHELLA
Riverside County

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

- 1. City of Coachella (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger), 1515 Sixth Street, Coachella, California, 92236, submitted an updated Report of Waste Discharge, dated December 2, 1981.
- 2. The discharger is discharging a present average daily flow of 36,000 gpd of citrus packing plant wastewater to pasture used by non-milking animals, under Order No. 77-70. The wastewater originates from washing of citrus fruit and from air conditioning blowdown water.
- 3. The discharger proposes to discharge the following additional wastewaters:
  - a. Pitting, packing and washdown wastewater from date packing plants, and refrigeration and air conditioning wastewater, in the amount of about 48,000 gpd.
  - b. Fertilizer manufacturing wastewater in the amount of 4,000 gpd.
  - c. Icewater in the amount of about 1,000 gpd.
- 4. Eighty acres of land are available for irrigation, and thirty acres would be reserved for this discharge. Location of said land is in the N 1/2, NE 1/4, Section 9, T6S, R8E, SBB&M. There will be no tailwaters flowing to Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel or other open channels.
- 5. The Water Quality Control Plan for the West Colorado River Basin was adopted on April 10, 1975. The Basin Plan contains water quality objectives for the West Salton Sea Hydrologic Unit.

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6. The beneficial uses of groundwaters at the location of discharge are: a. Deep groundwaters are used for municipal supply, agricultural supply, and industrial supply. b. Shallow groundwaters are influenced by agricultural operations, are brackish, and enter irrigation drains and flow to Salton Sea. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the proposed discharge. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the proposed discharge. The City of Coachella approved on February 5, 1980, a Negative Declaration for construction of a collection system to deliver wastewater to the location described in Finding No. 4. This Negative Declaration states that the project will not have a significant effect upon the environment. The Regional Board has reviewed this Negative Declaration. The below waste discharge requirements are designed to assure against any significant adverse effects on water quality. 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 nuisance as defined in Division 7 of the California Water Code. 2. Wastewater discharged to land shall be substantially free of settleable and floatable materials. 3. There shall be no surface flow of wastewater away from the designated disposal area. The discharge of wastewater into any drainage channel is prohibited, and any tailwaters resulting from application to land as described in Findings No. 2,3, and 4 (above) shall not enter Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel nor any other drainage channel. 5. Sewage and sewage effluent shall not be contained in the wastewaters discharged under this Order. -26. There shall be no discharge of any wastewater containing pesticides at this location, except that which is incidental to the washing of picked crops.

7. Not less than thirty acres of land shall be reserved for discharge by irrigation under this Order.

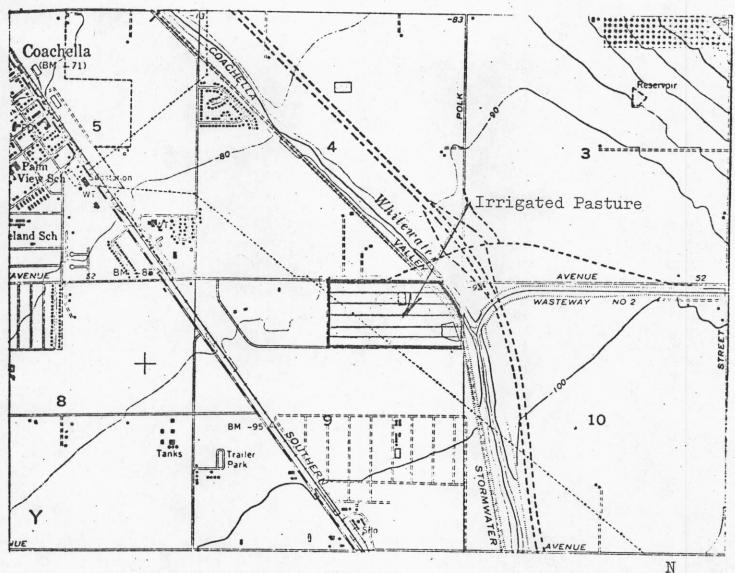
## B. Provisions

- 1. Prior to any material change in the quality or quantity of wastewater discharged, or any material change in the location of discharge, the discharger shall report thereon to the Board.
- This Order supersedes Board Order No. 77-70.
- 3. Upon request from this Board's Executive Officer, the discharger shall furnish technical and/or monitoring reports on the discharge of wastes.

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 January 27, 1982

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SITE MAP

CITY OF COACHELLA

IRRIGATION OF PASTURE USING

WASTEWATER FROM PACKING PLANTS

N%, NE%, SEC. 9, T6S, R8E, SBB&M

INDIO 7%' TOPOGRAPHIC MAP

Scale 1"=2000'

Date: Order No. 82-6