

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

CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER NO. 88-45

AGAINST

WINGATE COMPANY

South of Brawley - Imperial County

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

1. Wingate Company (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger) P.O. Box 127, Imperial, California, 92251, discharges a lime-sulfur solution into an earthen basin as a by-product of this processing plant. The solution is dried in the basin and later sold to farmers as a soil amendment. The site is located in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 28, T14S, R14E, SBB&M.
2. The Regional Board prescribed waste discharge requirements for this facility in Order No. 81-57 on May 20, 1981, which includes the following specifications:
 - A.2. Lime-sulfur solution shall be discharged only to the disposal basin designated in Finding No. 2 (above).
 - A.3. A minimum depth of freeboard of at least two feet shall be maintained in the earthen basin.
3. On April 24, 1986, the Regional Board staff inspected the subject facility and found that a considerable volume of solution had overflowed the basin onto the surrounding land.
4. This condition constitutes a violation of the above mentioned requirements in Order No. 81-57 and the California Water Code.
5. This enforcement action is exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code, Section 21000, et. seq.) in accordance with Section 2714, Chapter 3, Title 14, California Administrative Code.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT, pursuant to Section 13304 of Division 7 of the California Water Code, Wingate Company shall:

1. By June 13, 1986, submit to the Regional Board a time schedule of specific actions whereby the sludge around the basin will be cleaned-up, and a berm constructed to maintain the required freeboard depth of two feet. This shall be accomplished before June 27, 1986.

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2. By July 3, 1986, submit to the Regional Board a report of completion of the above stated required actions.

May 22, 1986
Date

Arthur Levajian
Executive Officer