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FACT SHEET
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
TONY'S COLLISION SERVICES, INC.
OXNARD, CALIFORNIA

ORDER NO. 97-10-DWQ SERIES NO. 038 FILE NO. 05-115

FACILITY ADDRESS

497 Lambert Street Oxnard, CA 93036 **FACILITY MAILING ADDRESS**

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Mr. Javier Flores (hereafter, the Discharger) owns and operates Tony's Collision Services, Inc., which is located at 497 Lambert Street, an unincorporated area of Oxnard. This commercial business location is in the Oxnard Forebay. This area has very permeable alluvial sediments, which provide very little soil treatment for septic wastes. The Oxnard Forebay is also a major recharge area for the major drinking water aquifers beneath coastal Ventura County. For the above reasons, no new septic systems are permitted and all existing septic systems must be eliminated by January 1, 2008. At the behest of Ventura County's Division of Environmental Health (DEH), the Discharger submitted a Report of Waste Discharge (RoWD) for the septic discharge at Tony's Collision Services, Inc. on March 25, 2005. The septic system for Tony's Collision Services consists of two-1500 gallon septic tanks, each discharging to 100-foot leach-lines.

This facility was originally constructed in 1985. In 2004, one of the septic tanks failed. This tank was replaced by a new septic tank of the same size, which was connected to the existing leach-line. Using DEH fixture sizing factors, only one 1500-gallon septic tank would be required. In 1985, the Discharger submitted plans to Ventura County for approval of two septic tanks with a combined capacity of 3000-gallons because of possible future expansion.

In the Oxnard Forebay, the installation of new or the expansion of existing septic systems is prohibited. Therefore, this facility cannot increase their septic discharge capacity. The Discharger made an application to DEH and Ventura County's Department of Regional Planning for approval of remodeling the facility, by adding an 760 square-foot mezzanine area within the existing building interior and replacing all the existing toilet facilities to be A.D.A. (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant. The remodel of the restrooms for A.D.A. compliance resulted in the addition of one lavatory sink, bring the total fixture units from 40 to 42.

Neither the number of employees (25) or expected discharge volume will be changing. Also, the Discharger has stated that a sewer will be available for connection within a year. There are currently no municipal sanitary sewers in the Oxnard Forebay area, but sewer collection lines are currently under construction.

The Oxnard Forebay is a semi-rural area located between the downtown Oxnard commercial area and the small farming community of Saticoy. The Oxnard Forebay is bounded on the west by the Santa Clara River, on the east by and Rose Avenue, and on the north and south by South Mountain and the Ventura Freeway. Residential and commercial development in the Oxnard Forebay started in the 1950's, but the area has seen increased development and commercialization during the past twenty years. The community is also dependent upon shallow groundwater as a drinking water source. Groundwater studies have found that local reliance on septic disposal systems instead of sanitary sewers increased contamination of the shallow groundwater with nitrates and bacteria.

The Oxnard Forebay is a primary aquifer recharge area for the largest aquifer in Ventura County, the Montalvo Groundwater Basin, which supplies drinking water for an estimated population of 150,000 people. Resolution No. 99-13 adopted by the Regional Board on August 12, 1999, established a septic prohibition in the Oxnard Forebay area. New septic systems and discharge volume increases at existing systems in the Oxnard Forebay were prohibited. By January 1, 2008, discharges from all existing septic systems must cease.

GROUNDWATER:

The facility located at 497 Lambert Street is located approximately 2000 feet southeast of the Santa Clara River. Prior to construction, an onsite boring was made to a depth of 13 feet below ground surface (bgs) with no groundwater found. Based on the extrapolation of data from nearby water supply wells, free groundwater is thought to be at a depth of 30 feet bgs. Groundwater in this area can fluctuate considerably with the season and annual precipitation. The leach-lines are located 4 ½ feet below the surface; therefore, groundwater is approximately 26 ½ feet below the point of wastewater discharge. Groundwater in the area flows from the northeast toward the southwest. The flow gradient is relatively flat and shows a high degree of local variation due to large volume aquifer withdrawal and recharge operations. The underlying formations consist of porous, alternating sand and gravel layers.

VOLUME AND DESCRIPTION OF DISCHARGE:

The estimated volume of the discharge from Tony's Collision Services, Inc. is 635 gpd. The school is located at Latitude: 34.2573°, and Longitude: 118.159°. The Discharge consists of domestic wastewater only.