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Washoe Fuels of Quincy Fined After Long-term Neglect Harms Town's Water Supply

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SACRAMENTO – The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board has fined Washoe Fuel Inc. \$660,521 after its failure to clean up a former bulk fueling business caused chronic harm to the water supply in the Plumas County town of Quincy.

In a case dating back more than a decade, the Board found that petroleum products leaking out of large storage tanks at the company's Allied Washoe site on Crescent Street in Quincy are negatively impacting the nearby groundwater supply, including a well once operated by the local water district and the Quincy Community Services District's sewer system.



The Allied Washoe Site in Quincy

The Central Valley Water Board first alerted the company to the magnitude of the problem in 2007 when it issued a Cleanup and Abatement Order, which required Washoe Fuel to address the environmental threats at the site.

"The failure of Washoe Fuel to comply with the Cleanup and Abatement Order has resulted in a hardship to the town of Quincy by removing one of its supply wells from service," said Clint Snyder, Assistant Executive Officer for the Central Valley Water Board.

Washoe Fuel's failure to comply with the Board's directives resulted in the contamination of well water and its negligence means a water supply well for the City of Quincy that remains out of commission.

In addition to the fine, Washoe Fuel is still required to clean up the property until it is in compliance.

For more details, visit the [Central Valley Water Board's webpage](#).

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