

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER NO. 88-69 (REVISED)  
AGAINST  
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

The Executive Officer of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, finds that:

1. The County of San Bernardino Regional Parks Department, (hereinafter referred to as the discharger), 825 East Third Street, San Bernardino, California 92415-0833, is the lessee of the property at Park Moabi, on Park Moabi Road, Needles, California, 92363.
2. The U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger) is the lessor and owner of the property at Park Moabi, on Park Moabi Road, Needles, California 92363.
3. The Regional Board received an Underground Storage Tank Unauthorized Release Report on June 8, 1987 indicating that gasoline had leaked from the underground storage tank piping at the subject facility, resulting in soil and water contamination.
4. By letter dated June 24, 1987, the discharger was requested to conduct a remedial investigation of the contamination and submit a technical report containing specific information to this office by August 27, 1987.
5. On August 24, 1987, the Regional Board received a letter from the discharger informing this office that the technical report of the subsurface investigation would be submitted by November 4, 1987, due to delays in retaining an engineering firm.
6. A "Proposal for Assessment of Subsurface Soil Contamination", dated November 5, 1987 and prepared by Pioneer Consultants (technical consultants for the discharger), was received in this office on November 9, 1987.
7. On February 2, 1988 the Regional Board received a preliminary technical report prepared by Pioneer Consultants regarding the gasoline contamination. Said report did not provide the results of a complete subsurface investigation, however, it did confirm that the groundwater is contaminated with gasoline.
8. On March 24, 1988, County of San Bernardino, Regional Parks Department received Cleanup and Abatement Order No. 88-60.
9. A "Proposal for Site Characterization and Preparation of a Remedial Action Plan ", dated July 15, 1988, and prepared by URS Consultants and one prepared by Schaefer Dixon Associates was received by this office on July 25, 1988.

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10. On November 7, 1988, the Regional Board received a report entitled "Evaluation of Soil and Groundwater Contamination, Park Moabi Regional Park, Needles Area, California", prepared by Schaefer Dixon Associates, consultants for the discharger.
11. Three technical reports on the subject facility ("Interim Report on Soil and Groundwater Contamination" dated April 4, 1989," Report on Soil Remediation from Land - Farming Operation" dated August 16, 1989 and "Phase 2 - Task 2 Report" dated August 16, 89) were received and reviewed by Staff on January 18, 1990.
12. A National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit application was sent to the discharger on January 27, 1990, to operate a proposed cleanup system.
13. By letter dated June 28, 1990, San Bernardino County Parks Department informed this office that the final phase of the subsurface investigation would be completed by July 27, 1990.
14. The discharger was notified by a letter from this Board, dated June 3, 1991, that continued delays in the completion of the site investigation and implementing an effective ground water cleanup program was unacceptable. These delays may have allowed contaminants to migrate.
15. NPDES application (EPA Application Form 1 Consolidated Permit) was received by this office on August 2, 1991. However, no filing fees were attached.
16. The report entitled "Vertical Groundwater Contamination Assessment, Park Moabi Regional Park, Needles Area, California," prepared by SEACOR, consultants for the discharger, dated September 11, 1991 was received in this office. However, a detailed work plan describing the remediation process proposed in the NPDES permit application was not included.
17. By letter dated December 31, 1991 from this Board, a work plan detailing the remedial process proposed within the NPDES application was requested.
18. Fees associated with the NPDES Permits of \$500.00 were requested by this Board from the discharger by letter dated January 16, 1992.
19. A site inspection was conducted by Regional Board staff on January 10, 1992. Due to the change in location for disposal, it was determined that an NPDES permit would not be required. An application for Waste Discharge Requirements and associated filing fees was submitted on March 19, 1992. A consultant's report describing the proposed treatment system was submitted to this office on February 13, 1992.
20. The discharger has caused or permitted the discharge of waste into the waters of the State and created a condition of pollution.
21. Section 13304 of the California Water Code states, in part, that:

"Any person...who has caused or permitted...any waste to be discharged or deposited where it is, or probably will be, discharged into the waters of the State and creates, or threatens to create, a condition of pollution or nuisance,

shall upon order of the regional board cleanup such waste or abate the effects thereof or, in the case of threatened pollution or nuisance, takes other necessary remedial action."

22. The beneficial uses of groundwater of the Piute Hydrologic unit are;
  - a. Municipal supply
  - b. Industrial supply
  - c. Agricultural supply
23. Contamination of the ground water with gasoline would significantly impair the beneficial uses of the ground water.
24. The beneficial uses of the waters in the Colorado River and associated lakes and reservoirs are:
  - a. Municipal and Domestic Supply (MUN)
  - b. Agricultural Supply (AGR)
  - c. Aquaculture (AQ)
  - d. Industrial Service Supply (IND)
  - e. Ground Water Recharge (GWR)
  - f. Water Contact Recreation (REC I)
  - g. Noncontact Water Recreation (REC II)
  - h. Warm Water Habitat (WARM)
  - i. Cold Water Habitat (COLD)
  - j. Wildlife Habitat (WILD)
  - k. Hydropower Generation (POW)
  - i. Preservation of Rare, Endangered or Threatened Species(RARE)
25. This enforcement action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15308 and 15321, Chapter 3, Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that pursuant to Section 13304 of Division 7 of the California Water Code, the discharger shall comply with the following;

1. Cleanup and abate the effects of the discharge of gasoline in the soil and groundwater at Park Moabi Marina Area, Park Moabi, Needles, California.
2. Obtain approved waste discharge requirement from this Board no later than May 15, 1992.
3. Begin remedial action to extract contaminated groundwater from said site by no later than June 1, 1992.

Ordered By: Philip A. Gruenberg  
Executive Officer

4-10-92  
Date

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2. The Regional Board received an Underground Storage Tank Unauthorized Release Report on June 8, 1987 indicating that gasoline had leaked from the underground storage tank piping at the subject facility, resulting in soil and water contamination.
3. The Regional Board staff determined that the gasoline contamination presents a threat to the quality of the ground water.
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- 2. Submit to the Regional Board by May 31, 1988 a technical report with the results of the complete subsurface investigation, as requested in the Regional Board letters to the discharger dated June 24, 1987.
- 3. Within two weeks of submittal of the technical report, submit a remedial action plan which includes cleanup of the contaminated soil, recovery of the free product in the ground water and extraction of the contaminated ground water.

*Alton Sevajian*  
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Executive Officer

*March 24, 1988*  
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Date