

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

ORDER NO. 78-36

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
FARMERS AERIAL SERVICE
West of Blythe - Riverside County

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

1. Farmers Aerial Service (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger), 418 North Second St., Blythe, CA. 92225, submitted a report of waste discharge dated February 1, 1978.
2. The discharger proposes to discharge approximately 100 gallons-per-operating day of washwater containing pesticide spray residue from aircraft of a commercial pesticide application operation. The wastewater would drain from a concrete washpad into an impervious holding tank to be sprayed via a sprinkler system onto a maximum of 2 acres of land located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29, T6S, R22E, SBB&M. Blythe Aviation has been storing pesticide wastewater in this tank as prescribed in Board Order No. 74-39. The discharger accepts the responsibility of disposal of this wastewater by means of the system described above.
3. Staff Findings:
 - a. Several types of spray pesticides used in Palo Verde Valley are included in the listing in Section 60130, of Division 4. Environmental Health, of Title 22 of the California Administrative Code, as "Extremely Hazardous Waste".
 - b. The spray-discharge site and surrounding land is relatively flat.
4. The Water Quality Control Plan for the East Colorado River Basin was adopted on April 10, 1975. The Basin Plan contains water quality objectives for Colorado Hydrologic Unit.

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5. The beneficial uses of the groundwaters of the Colorado Hydrologic Unit are: Municipal Supply, Industrial Supply, and Agricultural Supply.
6. The Board has notified the discharger and interested persons and agencies of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge.
7. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.
8. These discharge requirements govern the waste discharge from a commercial pesticide application operation. This activity constitutes only a minor modification to land, and such activity is thereby exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.) in accordance with Section 15104, Chapter 3, Title 14, California Administrative Code.

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 a nuisance as defined in Division 7 of the California Water Code.
2. Empty pesticide containers shall be discharged only at Class II-1 disposal sites approved by the Regional Board to receive these wastes.
3. There shall be no onsite storage of pesticides and/or pesticide containers at this site other than pesticidal wastes temporarily stored in the impervious holding tank described in Finding No. 2 and pesticides and pesticide containers in vehicles temporarily parked at said site.
4. There shall be no surface flow of wastewater away from the discharge area, and there shall be no ponding of wastewater.
5. The storage of pesticidal wastes is prohibited at any location not adequately protected against erosion or inundation which could occur as a result of flooding from a maximum storm which has a predicted frequency of once in a 100-year period.
6. Wastewater spray shall be contained within the disposal area designated in Finding No. 2 (above).
7. Adequate facilities and/or measures shall be taken to assure that unauthorized persons and animal pets are effectively excluded from pesticide containment areas and aircraft washing and wastewater disposal areas.

8. There shall be no discharge of wastewater to any channel draining to surface waters.

B. Provisions

1. Flood protection facilities if required shall be designed by, and the completed construction shall be certified as adequate by a California Registered Civil Engineer, or by the officer-in-charge of a local governmental agency that has flood control authority in the area, or by the District Conservationist of the United States Soil Conservation Service.
2. Compliance with Discharge Specification No. A. 5. (above) shall be in accordance with the following schedule if construction of facilities is required:

<u>Task</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>	<u>Report Compliance Due</u>
Complete design of storm protection facilities	8/31/78	9/15/78
Begin Construction	9/30/78	10/13/78
Complete Construction	11/30/78	12/15/78
Certification of completed construction	12/31/78	1/15/79

If noncompliance is being reported, the reasons for such noncompliance shall be stated, plus an estimate of the date when the discharger will be in compliance. The discharger shall notify the Board by letter when he has returned to compliance with the time schedule.

3. Prior to any material change or proposed change in the character, location, or volume of wastes to be discharged, the discharger shall report thereon to the Board.
4. In the event of any change in operation, or in control or ownership of the land used for pesticidal wastewater disposal, the discharger shall:
 - a. Notify this Board of such change; and
 - b. Notify the succeeding owner or operator by letter of the existence of this Order; and file a copy of said letter with Board.

5. The discharger shall comply with "Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 78-36" and "General Provisions for Monitoring and Reporting", and future revisions thereto, as specified by the Executive Officer.

I, Arthur Swajian, Executive Officer do hereby certify 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 May 10, 1978.

Arthur Swajian
Executive Officer,

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. 78-36
FOR
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Location of Discharge: SE¼ of the SW¼ Section 29, T6S, R22E, SBB&M

MONITORING

The discharger shall report to the Regional Board concerning the following:

1. Quantity of pesticidal wastewater discharged to ground - reported quarterly in gallons.

REPORTING

Quarterly monitoring reports shall be submitted to the Regional Board by January 15, April 15, July 15, and October 15 of each year.

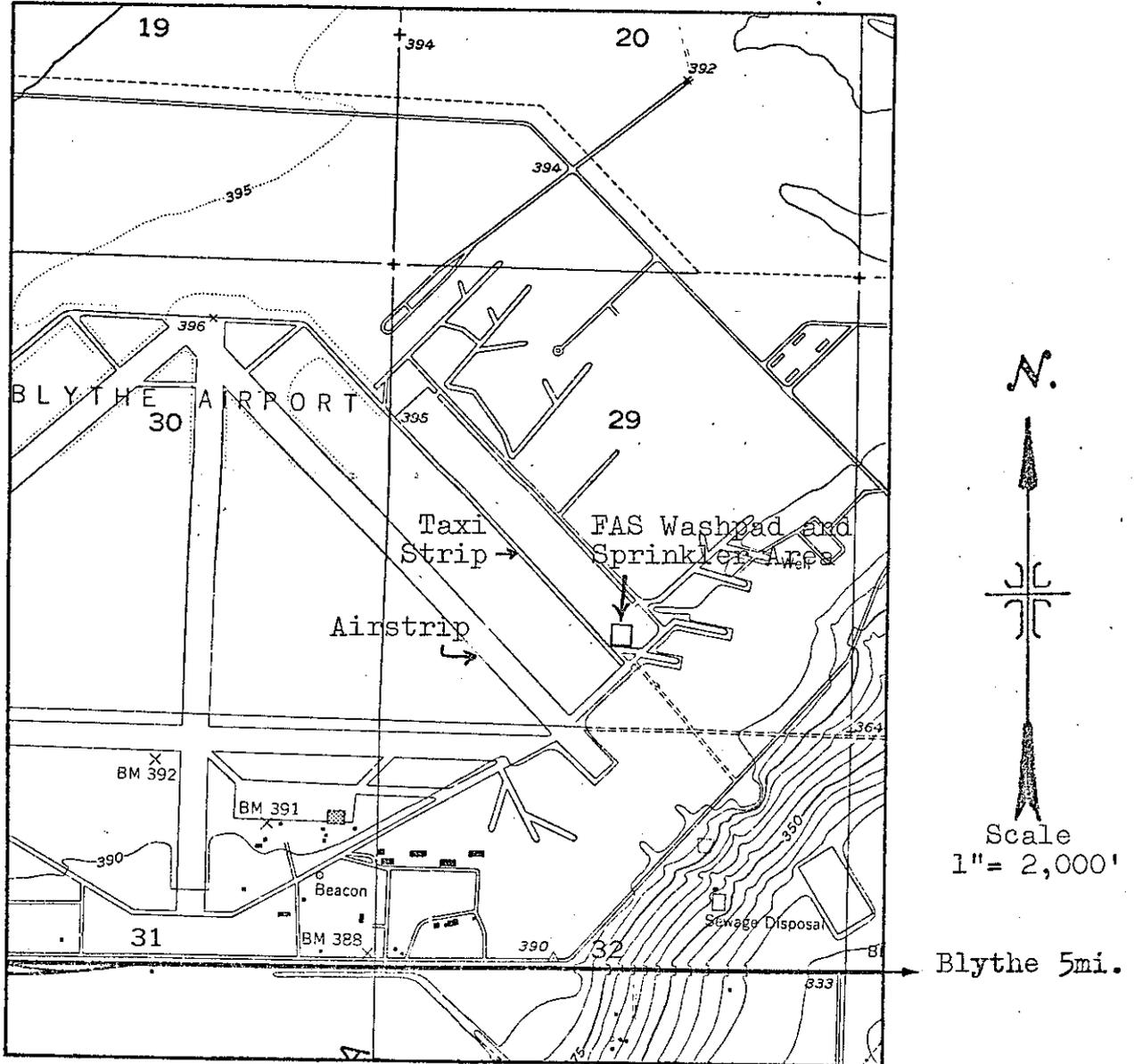
Submit monitoring reports to:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Colorado River Basin Region
73-271 Highway 111, Suite 21
Palm Desert, CA. 92260

ORDERED BY:

Arthur Severson
Executive Officer

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SITE MAP

FARMERS AERIAL SERVICE
West of Blythe - Riverside County
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29, T6S, R22E, SBB&M
U.S.G.S. McCoy Wash and Ripley 7.5 min. Topographic Maps

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