

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
ORDER NO. 75-072

REVISION AND AMENDMENT OF WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN (INTERIM)
BY THE ADDITION OF A PROHIBITION OF WASTE DISCHARGE FROM
SEPTIC TANKS OR CESSPOOLS WITHIN
MIDWAY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
MERCED COUNTY

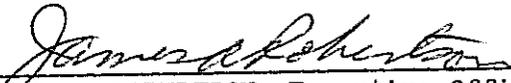
The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, finds:

1. The Board adopted, on 15 June 1971, a Water Quality Control Plan (Interim), Basins 5A, B, C and D (hereafter "Interim Plan").
2. The Interim Plan contains areas where waste discharge from septic tanks and cesspools is prohibited.
3. On 21 March 1975 in the Fresno City Council Chambers, 2326 Fresno Street, Fresno, California, after due public notice, the regional board conducted a public hearing at which evidence was received concerning the discharge from failing septic tanks and cesspools.
4. The Midway Community Services District encompasses the unincorporated area southwest of the City of Dos Palos. The area has a long history of failing septic tanks.
5. A January 1974 random sanitary survey by the Merced County Health Department disclosed that 69% of the residences surveyed had disposal problems. Problems reported were: surfacing wastewater at 17 residences, pit privies at 16 residences and miscellaneous disposal problems at 23 residences.
6. Continued installation of septic tanks or cesspools will increase the threat to public health and will further unreasonably impair water quality.

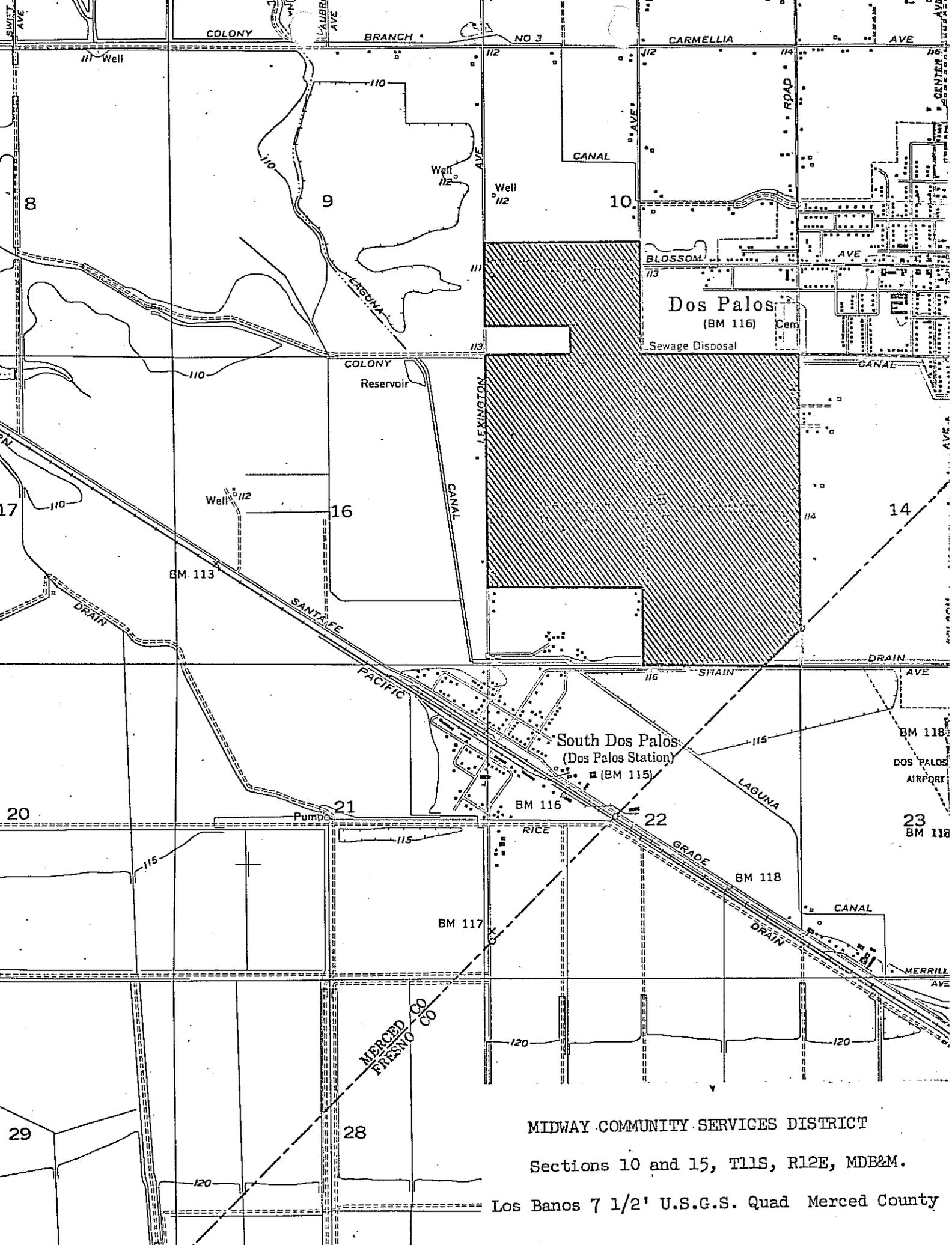
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The discharge of waste within Midway Community Services District, Merced County from leaching or percolation systems installed after approval of this amendment by the State Water Resources Control Board is prohibited. An exemption to this prohibition may be granted after presentation by the proposed discharger of geologic and hydrologic evidence that leaching system disposal will not, individually or collectively, result in a pollution or nuisance.
2. The discharge of waste within Midway Community Services District, Merced County from leaching or percolation systems is prohibited after 1 January 1979. An exemption to this prohibition may be granted whenever the regional board finds that the continued operation of septic tanks, cesspools, or other means of disposal in a particular area will not, individually or collectively, directly, or indirectly, adversely affect water quality.
3. Chapter VI of the Interim Plan is revised by the addition of this prohibition, upon approval of the State Water Resources Control Board.

I, JAMES A. ROBERTSON, 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, Central Valley Region, on 21 March 1975.



JAMES A. ROBERTSON, Executive Officer



MIDWAY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Sections 10 and 15, T11S, R12E, MDB&M.

Los Banos 7 1/2' U.S.G.S. Quad Merced County