

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 00-93

RESCISSION OF SITE CLEANUP REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. 96-123 FOR:

NAPA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

for the property located at

EAST SIDE OF MAIN STREET BETWEEN THIRD AND FOURTH STREETS  
NAPA, NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region  
(hereinafter the Board), finds that:

1. **Regional Board Orders:** The Board adopted site cleanup requirements for this site on September 18, 1996.

2. **Site Location /Description:**

The property is located on the east side of Main Street between Third and Fourth streets, Napa, Napa County (Site), and is about 38,400 square feet in area. According to 1992 aerial photographs, two commercial buildings occupied the northwest corner of the site. The site is bordered on the north by Third Street, to the south by Fourth Street, to the west by Main Street, and to the east by the Napa River. Surrounding land use is primarily commercial/industrial. The Site is shown in Figure 1, which is made part of this order.

3. **Site History:**

The earliest information on land use of the Site appears on a Sandborne Map dated March 1886. At that time, site development consisted of small shops and sleeping rooms. In 1891, the Tecino Hotel was built, later renamed the Swiss Union Hotel in 1901.

In 1910, a garage and auto repair facility occupied the Site. In the Sandborne Map of that time there is no indication of any underground storage tanks (USTs) for that facility. In 1924, the Site was operated as a gasoline station, with fuel pumps located adjacent to the Third Street Bridge abutment along the Napa River. The 1950 Sandborne Map still shows a gasoline station on the Site; however, it appears that the fuel pumps had been moved southwest of their former locations.

The exact date when the gasoline station ceased operations at this Site is unknown.

On December 1, 1987, the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (the discharger) acquired ownership of the property. At the time of purchase there were two 6,000-gallon capacity regular leaded and /or diesel fuel underground storage tanks, and one 500-gallon waste oil tank present at the site. According to Napa Fire Department records, the City of Napa permits were issued on March 1, 1989 for removal of the three underground tanks.

**4. Historical Extent of Pollution:**

Due to the past operations of the site as a gas station and previous auto shop/repair business, soil and groundwater beneath the site had been impacted with hydrocarbon constituents. The highest soil concentrations of total petroleum hydrocarbons in the diesel and gasoline ranges were reported at 9,100 mg/kg, and 2,800 mg/kg, respectively, and detected at depth of 9 feet in the vicinity of Monitoring Well #14.

The horizontal extent of petroleum hydrocarbons in the soil did not extend beyond monitoring wells, MW-5 and MW-3, in the southern portion of the site.

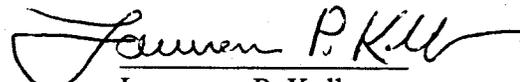
The vertical extent of hydrocarbons in the soil had been defined to be from near surface to maximum depth of approximately 15 feet below ground surface. The highest concentrations of hydrocarbons detected in soil samples were at the soil/water interface at 15 feet below ground surface. Soil samples collected and analyzed from below a depth of sixteen feet did not contain pollutants at concentrations above detection limits. Analysis of the sidewall samples indicated elevated concentrations of total petroleum hydrocarbons in the motor oil range, however, in accordance with a previous Settlement Agreement, soil excavation did not go beyond the southwest of the parcel boundary. Soils contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons were excavated as shown in Figure 2, and disposed off at Altamont Landfill in several phases.

Groundwater at the Site has also been impacted. The highest concentrations of hydrocarbons detected in MW-14 were at 32,000 ppb for TPH-d, 28,000 ppb for TPH-g, and 1,600 ppb for benzene. Groundwater monitoring well MW-14 was destroyed during the initial phase of soil excavation. Polluted soil was removed up to a depth of sixteen feet below ground surface. In 1997 the discharger completed a groundwater-sampling round at the site, and collected water samples from seven monitoring points. The lab results of the collected water samples indicate that the concentrations of pollutants in groundwater are attenuating over time. There will be some residuals in the subsurface, however, they do not pose a threat to the environment.

5. **Basis for Rescission:** In compliance with the requirements of the Order, the discharger, Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, has conducted a soil and groundwater investigation at the Site. The horizontal and vertical extent of pollution was defined, and all hydrocarbon-polluted soils were later excavated and disposed off by Texaco at the Altamont Landfill. The results of the most recent groundwater sampling data indicate that the concentrations of pollutants in groundwater are attenuating over time. The source of pollutants has been removed, and as such, the Site no longer poses a threat to Human Health, the Environment, or to the Waters of the State.
6. **California Environmental Quality Act:** This action is an order to enforce the laws and regulations administered by the Board. As such, this action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15321 of the Resources Agency Guidelines.
7. **Notification:** The Board has notified the dischargers and all interested agencies and persons of its intent under California Water Code Section 13304 to prescribe site cleanup requirements for the discharge, and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written comments.
8. **Public Hearing:** The Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this discharge.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** pursuant to Section 13304 of the California Water Code, that Order No. 96-123 is rescinded. The discharger shall close all groundwater monitoring wells consistent with applicable local agency requirements, and shall document such closure in a technical report to be submitted to the Board within 30 days following the completion of closure activities.

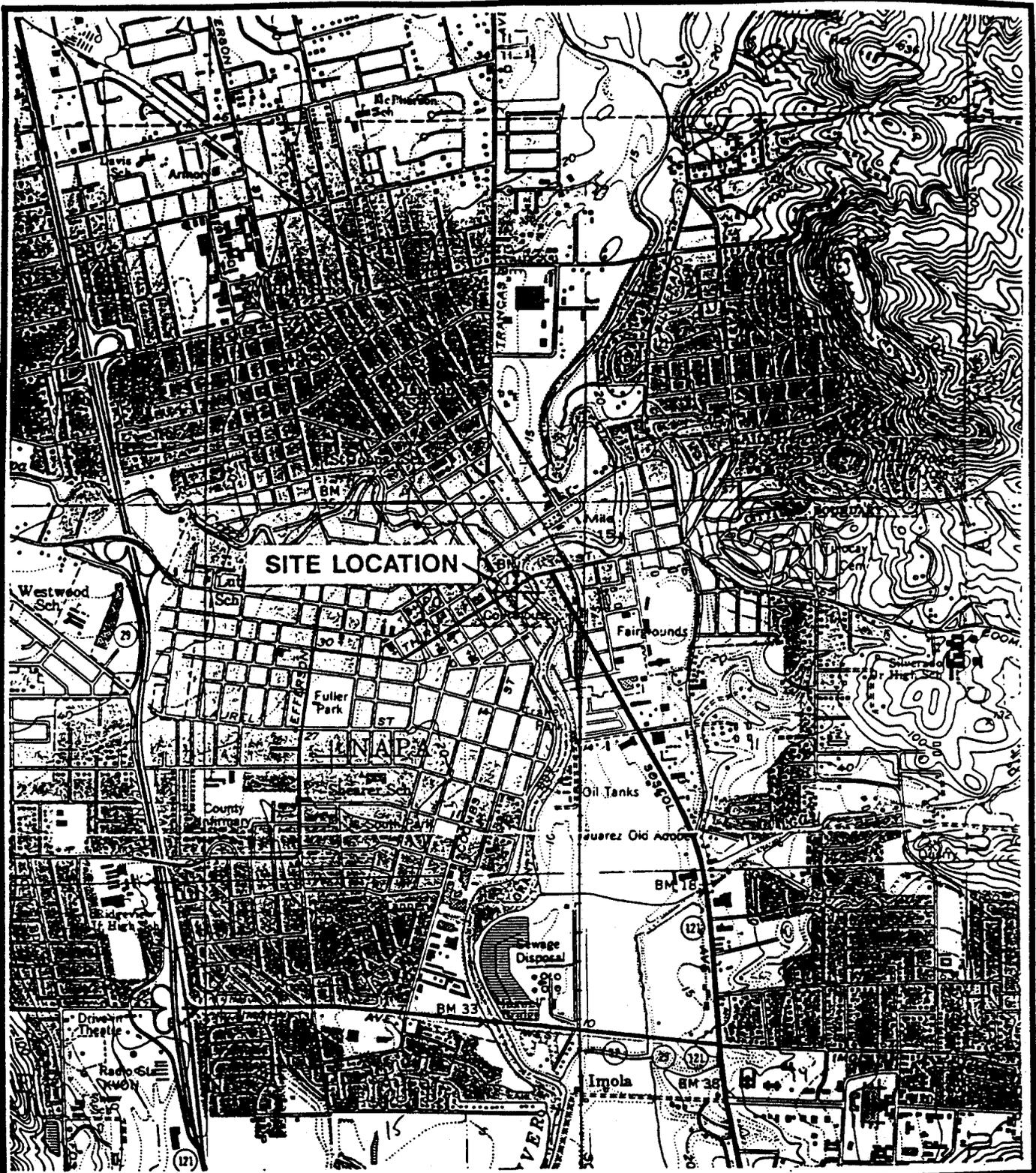
I, Lawrence P. Kolb, Acting Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, on August 16, 2000.

  
Lawrence P. Kolb  
Acting Executive Officer

Attachment:

Figure 1-Site Location Map

2-Excavation and Boring Location Map



**FLUOR DANIEL GTI** 

SOURCE: U.S.G.S. 7.5' QUAD SHEET  
NAPA, CALIFORNIA  
PHOTOREVISED 1980



SCALE:  
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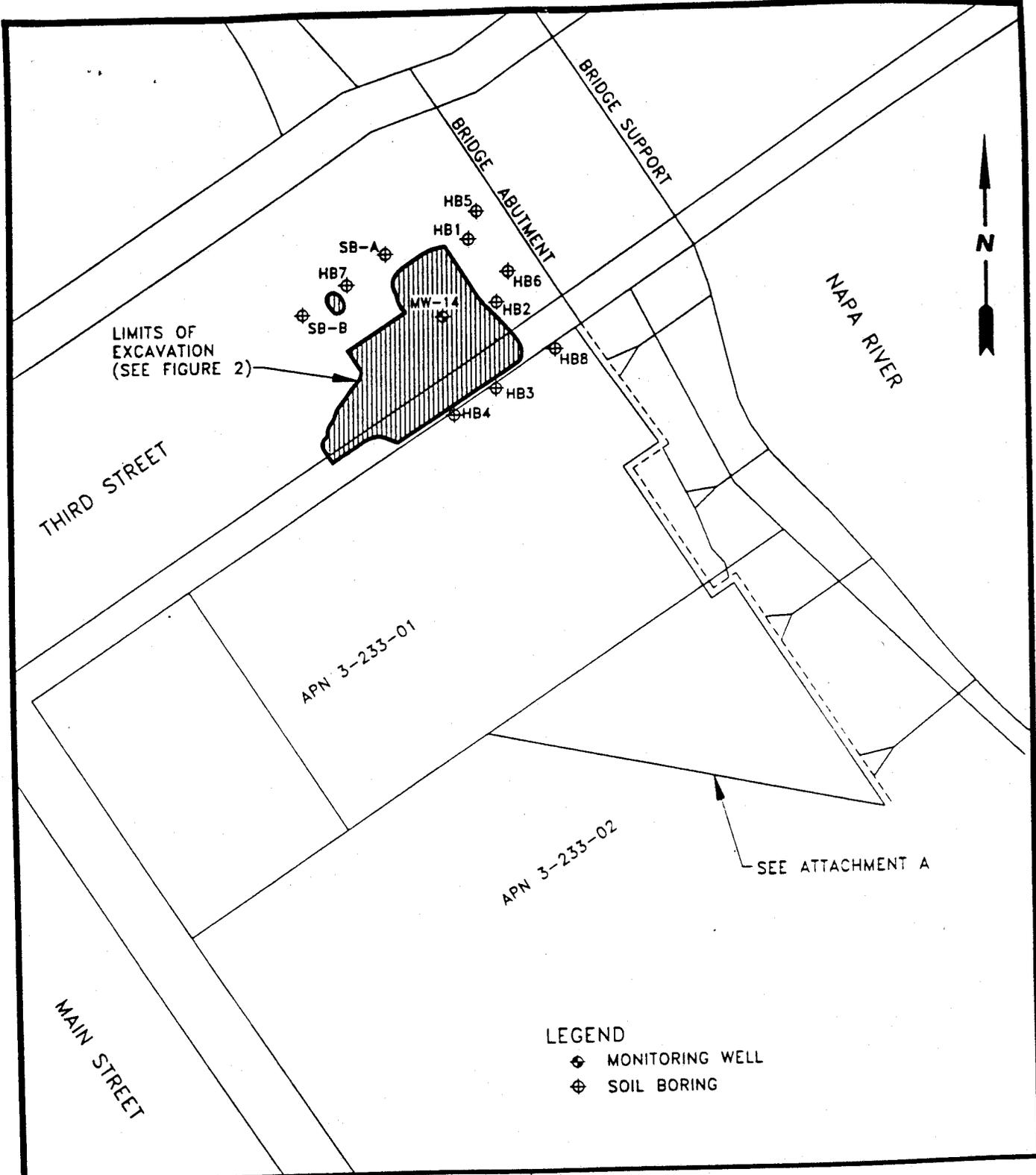

**SITE LOCATION MAP**

CLIENT: **TEXACO REFINING AND MARKETING, INC.**

DATE: **12/17/96**

LOCATION: **965 THIRD STREET NAPA, CALIFORNIA**

FIGURE: **1**



LEGEND  
 ◆ MONITORING WELL  
 ⊕ SOIL BORING

<b>FLUOR DANIEL GTI</b> 		0 FEET 30 SCALE		<b>EXCAVATION AND BORING LOCATION MAP</b>	
CLIENT: <b>TEXACO REFINING AND MARKETING, INC.</b>		FILE: <b>EXBORLOC</b>		PROJECT NO: <b>020700404</b>	
LOCATION: <b>965 THIRD STREET NAPA, CALIFORNIA</b>		REV: <b>1</b>		PM <b>RG/PE</b>	
		DES: <b>BG</b>		DET: <b>ML</b>	
		DATE: <b>1/8/98</b>		FIGURE: <b>2</b>	

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION  
From the Requirements of The  
California Environmental Quality Act

To: State of California  
Office of Planning & Research  
1400 10th Street  
Sacramento, CA 95818

From: CA Regional Water  
Quality Control Board  
San Francisco Bay Region  
1515 Clay Str., Suite 1400  
Oakland, CA 94612

Project Title: Rescission of Site Cleanup Requirements Order No. 96-123, Napa County Flood Control District and Water Conservation District, Napa County

Project Location - Specific: The project is located on the east side of main street between third and fourth streets in Napa County.

Project Location - County: County of Napa

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Board adopted rescission of Order 96-123 at its August 16, 2000 Meeting. The source of pollutants has been removed, and the threat to environment has been diminished.

Purpose: To protect quality and beneficial uses of waters of the State.  
Beneficiaries: People of the State of California

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Regional Water Quality Control Board,  
San Francisco Bay Region

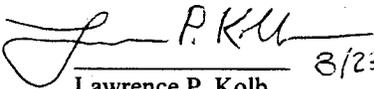
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Napa Flood Control and Water Conservation District,  
Atten: Ms. Heather Stanton, 1001 Second Street, Suite 145, Napa, California 94559-3030

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial (Sec. 15073)  
 Declared Emergency (Sec. 15071 (a))  
 Emergency Project (Sec. 15071 (b) and (c))  
 Categorical Exemption. ( 15321)  
 Other Exemption. State type:

Reason Why Project is Exempt: Rescission of Site Cleanup Requirements

Contact Person: Abdul Karim Yusufzai  
Area Code: (510) 622-2447

  
Lawrence P. Kolb  
Acting Executive Officer  
8/23/2000

Date Filed: August 21, 2000