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CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

ORDER NO. 80-27

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
FOR  
CITY OF COACHELLA  
Riverside County

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

1. City of Coachella (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger) 1515 Sixth Street, Coachella, CA 92236 submitted a Report of Waste Discharge, dated January 16, 1980.
2. The discharger proposes to discharge a design flow of 90,000 gallons-per-operating day of wastewater from a citrus processing plant in the W $\frac{1}{2}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 15, T6S, R8E, SBB&M.
3. Processing of citrus would consist of washing and grading of fruit, extracting oil from skin, extracting juice from fruit and peel, processing peel for animal food, and concentrating juice by evaporation. The major portion of the wastewater would be from washing of fruit and clean-up operations.
4. Wastewater from citrus processing would be fine screened and discharged by spray irrigation, or by furrow irrigation, or by check flooding, on about 15 to 27 acres of agricultural land.
5. Peak months of production would be March, April, May, June and July.
6. Peak employment would be 25 to 30 employees. Sanitary sewage would be treated separately in the city's existing sewage treatment plant.
7. The Water Quality Control Plan for the West Colorado River Basin was adopted by the Board on April 10, 1975. The Basin Plan contains water quality objectives for the Coachella Hydrologic Subunit.
8. The beneficial uses of groundwaters at the location of the proposed waste discharge are:

- a. Deep groundwaters are used for municipal supply, agricultural supply and industrial supply.
  - b. Shallow groundwaters are influenced by agricultural operations, are saline, and enter irrigation drains and flow to Salton Sea.
9. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the proposed discharge.
  10. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the proposed discharge.
  11. City of Coachella adopted on December 27, 1979, Environmental Impact Report No. 79-1 for this project. This report indicates that this project would not have a significant effect on water quality.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, the discharger shall comply with the following:

A. Discharge Specifications and Prohibitions

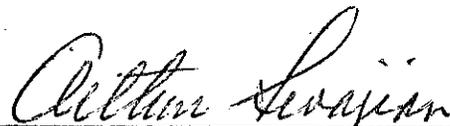
1. Neither the treatment nor the discharge of wastewater shall create a pollution or nuisance as defined in Division 7 of the California Water Code.
2. Wastewater discharged to land shall be substantially free of settleable and floatable materials.
3. There shall be no surface flow of wastewater away from the designated disposal area.
4. The discharge of wastewater into any drainage channel is prohibited, and any tailwaters resulting from application to land as described in Finding No. 4 (above) shall not enter Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel nor any other drainage channel.
5. Sewage and sewage effluent shall not be contained in the wastewaters discharged under this Order.

B. Provisions

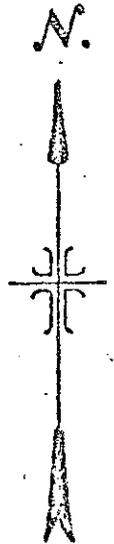
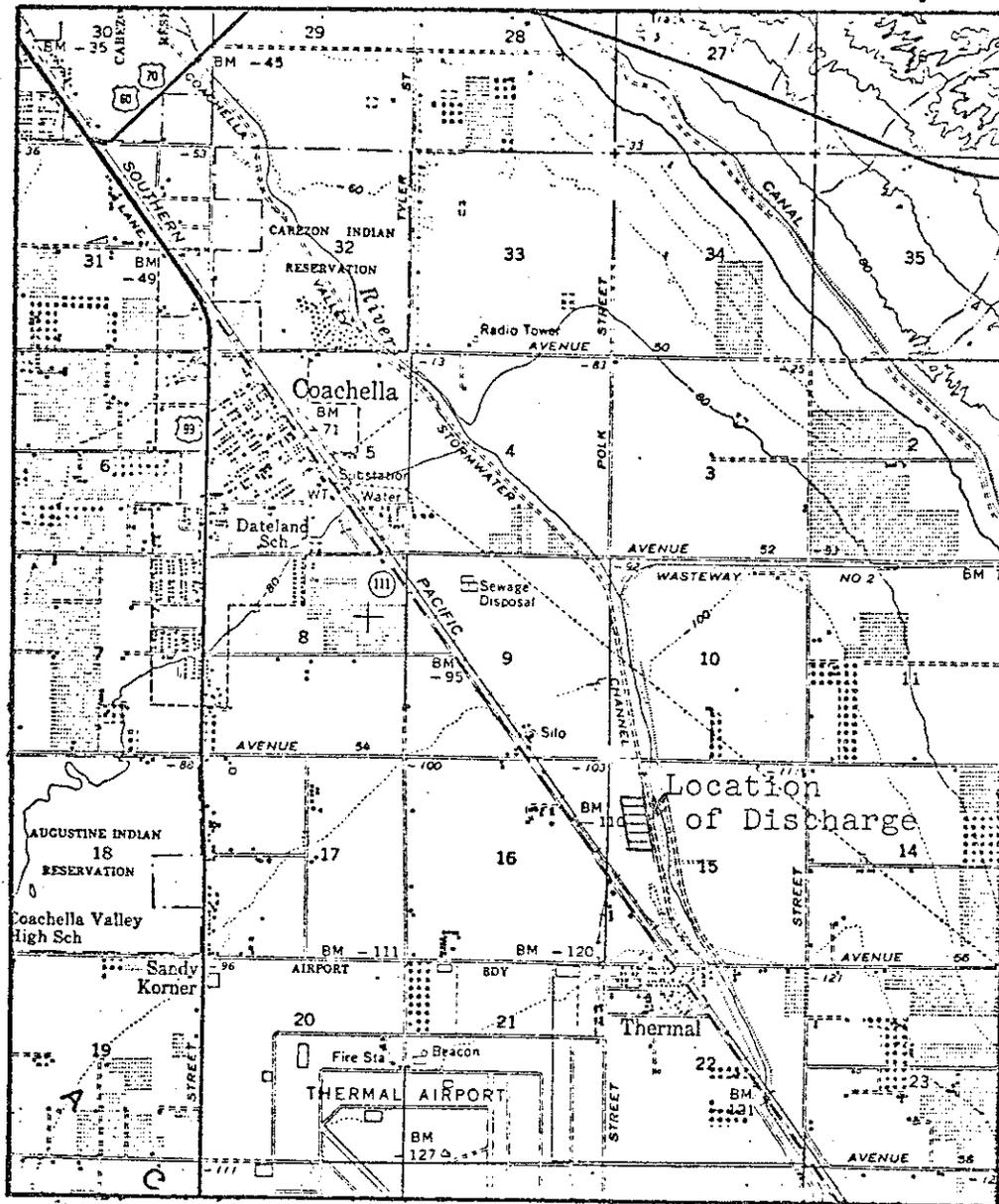
1. Prior to any material change in the quality or quantity of wastewater discharged, or any material change in the location of discharge, the discharger shall report thereon to the Board.

2. At least twenty (20) days prior to commencement of discharge, the discharger shall submit a report to the Board, setting forth therein the exact land area to be irrigated, the method of irrigation, and the measures taken to prevent the discharged wastewater and also, tailwater, from entering any drainage channels including Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel.
3. Upon request from this Board's Executive Officer, the discharger shall furnish technical and/or monitoring reports on the discharge of wastes.

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 March 26, 1980.

  
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Executive Officer

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Scale  
1" = 1 mi.

SITE MAP  
CITY OF COACHELLA  
Coachella - Riverside County  
Discharge Location: NW 1/4 of Section 15, T6S, R8E, SBB&M  
USGS Coachella 15 min. Topographic Map

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