

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION**

ORDER NO. 88-35

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
IRON MOUNTAIN PUMPING PLANT
WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY
Northeast of Desert Center - San Bernardino County**

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

1. The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (hereinafter also referred to as the discharger), P. O. Box 54153, Los Angeles, CA 90054, submitted an updated Report of Waste Discharge, dated November 17, 1987.
2. This waste management facility has been subject to Board Order No. 78-89 containing waste discharge requirements, which are being updated to comply with current regulations in Section 13263 of the California Water Code and Subchapter 15, Chapter 3, Title 23, California Code of Regulations.
3. The discharger is currently discharging non-hazardous solid wastes in a non-surveyed area about one and one-half miles north and one-fourth mile west of the NE corner of Section 5, T1S, R18E, SBB&M. This 5-acre Class III disposal site is owned and operated by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Life expectancy of the entire site exceeds 50 years.
4. The discharger operates the site as a landfill. The site presently receives approximately 400 cubic yards per year of the following:
 - a. Residential refuse
 - b. Commercial Refuse
 - c. Construction/demolition wastes.
5. The total remaining capacity of the disposal site is approximately 5,000 cubic yards. A cut and cover operation is utilized at the site. Cells are excavated to a depth of approximately 10 feet below the natural surface with the excavated material used in the cover sequence. Waste is unloaded into a cell approximately 20 feet by 300 feet minimum, then pushed up in 2-foot average lifts onto a working face at an angle permitting the dozers to achieve maximum compaction. A 6-inch minimum dirt cover is placed over the compacted material and again compacted. The cover is usually applied monthly.
6. Land within 1,000 feet of this site is currently not used. At present, it is natural desert.

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7. Existing units at the site conform to the criteria contained in said Subchapter 15 for classification as a Class III waste management facility suitable to receive "nonhazardous solid" and "inert" wastes.
8. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region of California was adopted by the Regional Board on November 14, 1984.
9. The Basin Plan delineates the location of discharge to be in the Ward Hydrologic Unit, which has the following beneficial uses of ground water: Municipal supply and agricultural supply. However, ground waters in this area range in total dissolved solids concentration from about 800 to 2,500 mg/l. Nearby wells indicate depth to ground water is about 300 feet.
10. The elevation of the site is approximately 800 feet. Two drainage dikes divert storm water away from the site.
11. Soil underlying the site is from an alluvial deposit consisting of gravelly sand with clay outcropping. No test boring data is available.
12. Annual averages for evaporation and precipitation in the area are 110 inches and 3.10 inches, respectively.
13. The 100-year, 24-hour precipitation event for the site is 3.28 inches.
14. The site is not within the 100-year floodplain.
15. There are no known major earthquake faults underlying the site.
16. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to update waste discharge requirements for the existing disposal facility.
17. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to this facility.
18. These waste discharge requirements govern an existing facility, which the discharger is currently operating, and therefore is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act in accordance with Section 15301, Chapter 3 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that in order to meet the provisions of Division 7 of the California Water Code and regulations adopted thereunder, the discharger shall comply with the following:

A. Discharge Specifications:

1. The treatment or disposal of waste shall not cause pollution or a nuisance as defined in Section 13050 of the California Water Code.
2. Waste material shall be confined to the waste management facility as shown on the attached site maps.

3. The discharge shall not cause degradation of any water supply.
4. The landfill units shall be designed, constructed, operated and maintained to prevent inundation or washout due to floods with a 100-year return frequency.
5. Surface drainage from tributary areas, and internal site drainage from surface or subsurface sources, shall not contact or percolate through wastes discharged at this site.
6. The exterior surfaces of the disposal area including the intermediate and final landfill covers shall be graded and maintained to promote lateral runoff of precipitation and to prevent ponding.
7. The discharger shall provide a final cover for closure of landfills in conformance to the requirements of said Subchapter 15.
8. Water used during disposal site operations shall be limited to a minimal amount reasonably necessary for dust control purposes.
9. The discharger shall remove and relocate any wastes which are discharged at this site in violation of these requirements.

B. Prohibitions:

1. The discharge or deposit of 'hazardous waste' at this site is prohibited.
2. The discharge or deposit of 'designated waste' at this site is prohibited without prior approval from the Regional Board's Executive Officer.
3. The discharge of liquid or semi-solid waste (i.e., waste containing less than 50 percent solids) to the landfill units is prohibited.
4. The discharge of solid or liquid waste or leachate to surface waters, surface water drainage courses or to ground water is prohibited.
5. The placement of 'nonhazardous solid' or 'designated' wastes in ponded water from any source whatsoever is prohibited.
6. The discharge or deposit of waste to land not owned or controlled by the discharger is prohibited.
7. The codisposal of incompatible wastes is prohibited.

C. Provisions:

1. The discharger shall maintain a copy of this Order at the site and make it available at all times to site operating personnel.
2. The discharger shall notify the Regional Board, in writing, of any proposed change in ownership or responsibility for construction or operation of the waste management facility. The discharger shall also notify the Regional Board of a material change in the character, location, or volume of the waste discharge and of any proposed expansions or closure plans. This

notification shall be given six (6) months prior to the effective date of the change, and shall be accompanied by an amended Report of Waste Discharge and any technical documents that are needed to demonstrate continued compliance with these requirements.

3. The discharger shall comply with "Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 88-35" and future revisions thereto, as specified by the Regional Board's Executive Officer.
4. The discharger shall maintain legible records on the volume and type of each waste discharged at the site. These records shall be available for review by representatives of the Regional Board at any time during normal business hours. At the beginning of the post-closure maintenance period, copies of these records shall be sent to the Regional Board.
5. The discharger shall maintain monuments identifying the boundary limits of the entire waste management facility.
6. Within six months of the adoption of this Order, the discharger shall submit to the Regional Board and to the State Department of Health Services for review and approval, a report describing a periodic load-checking program to be implemented by the discharger to ensure that 'hazardous wastes' and 'designated wastes' are not discharged to the disposal site.
7. Within six months of the adoption of this Order, the discharger shall submit for review and approval by the Regional Board's Executive Officer, a closure and post closure maintenance plan in accordance with Section 2597 of Subchapter 15. The closure plan shall be updated annually, and submitted to the Regional Board by the 15th day of January of each year.
8. The discharger shall immediately notify the Regional Board of any flooding, equipment failure, slope failure or other change in site conditions which could impair the integrity of waste or leachate containment facilities or flood control structures.
9. By August 1, 1988, the discharger shall submit to the Regional Board a plan and time schedule for submittal of the following:
 - a. A complete site characterization report (in compliance with Section 2595(f) Geology and (g) Hydrology, Article 9, Subchapter 15).
 - b. A proposal for a groundwater monitoring system and a vadose zone monitoring system containing design plans (in compliance with Section 2596 (a)(3) of Article 9, Subchapter 15 for compliance with Article 5 of said Subchapter 15).
10. In the event of any change in ownership of the disposal site, the discharger shall notify the succeeding owner or operator in writing of the existence of this Order. A copy of this notification shall be sent to the Regional Board.
11. The discharger shall comply with all applicable provisions of said Subchapter 15 that are not specifically referred to in this Order.

12. The Board will review this Order periodically and will revise these requirements when necessary.

13. This Order supersedes Board Order No. 78-89.

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 23, 1988.



Executive Officer

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION**

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Location of Discharge: 1½ mi. N and ¼ mi. W of the NE corner of Section 5, T1S,
R18E, SBB&M

WASTE MONITORING

The discharger shall monitor all wastes discharged to the Class III landfill units and report to the Regional Board as follows:

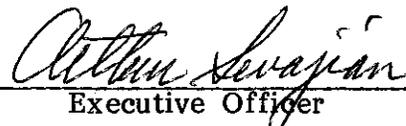
<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Reporting Unit</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
1. Refuse discharged	Cubic yards	Quarterly
2. Any wastes discharged other than those allowed in the specifications	Type, volume and exact location	Immediately upon becoming aware that the waste has been discharged
3. Capacity of landfill unit remaining	Percent	Yearly

REPORTING

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

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

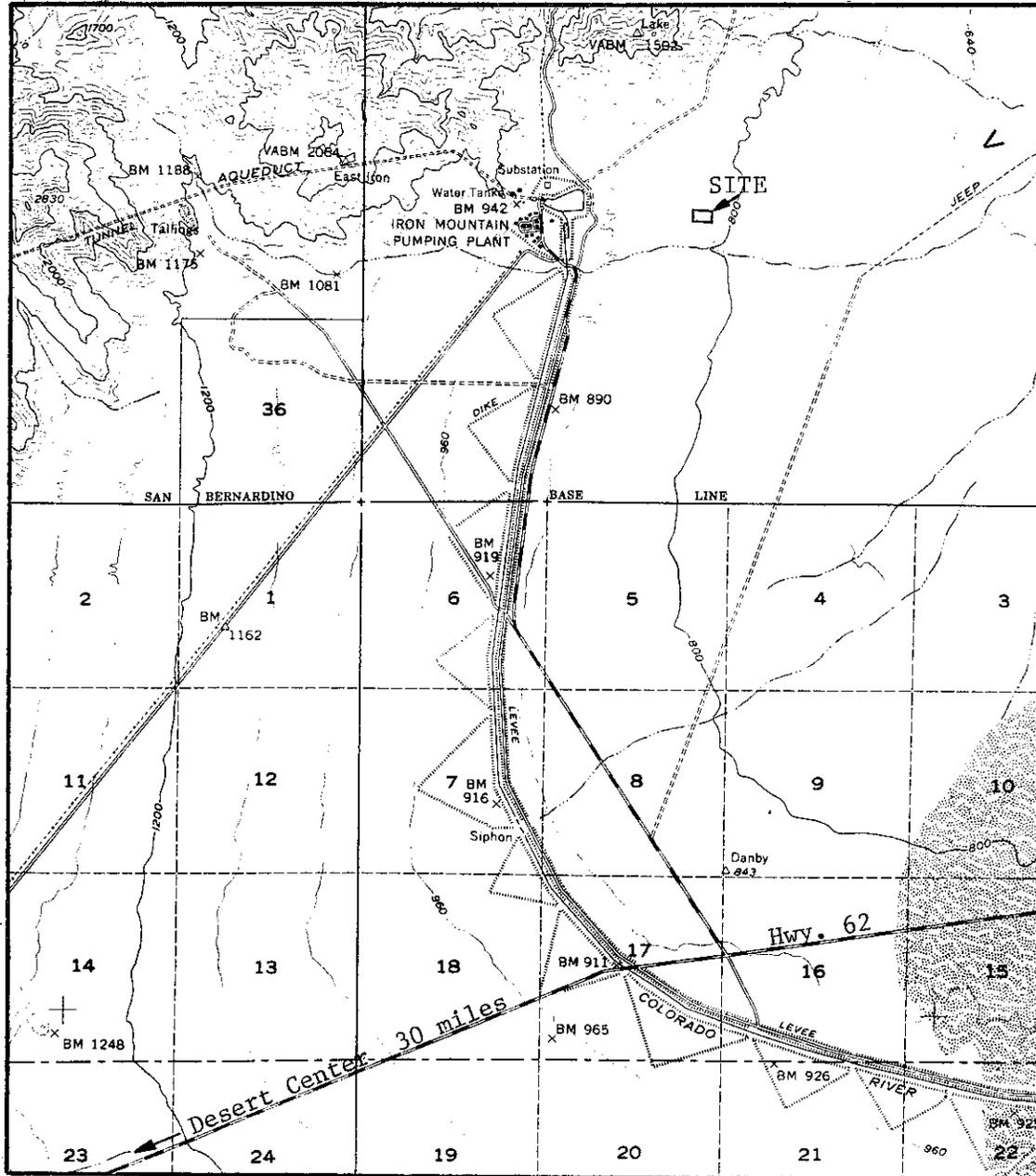
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Executive Officer

March 23, 1988

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SITE MAP NO. 1

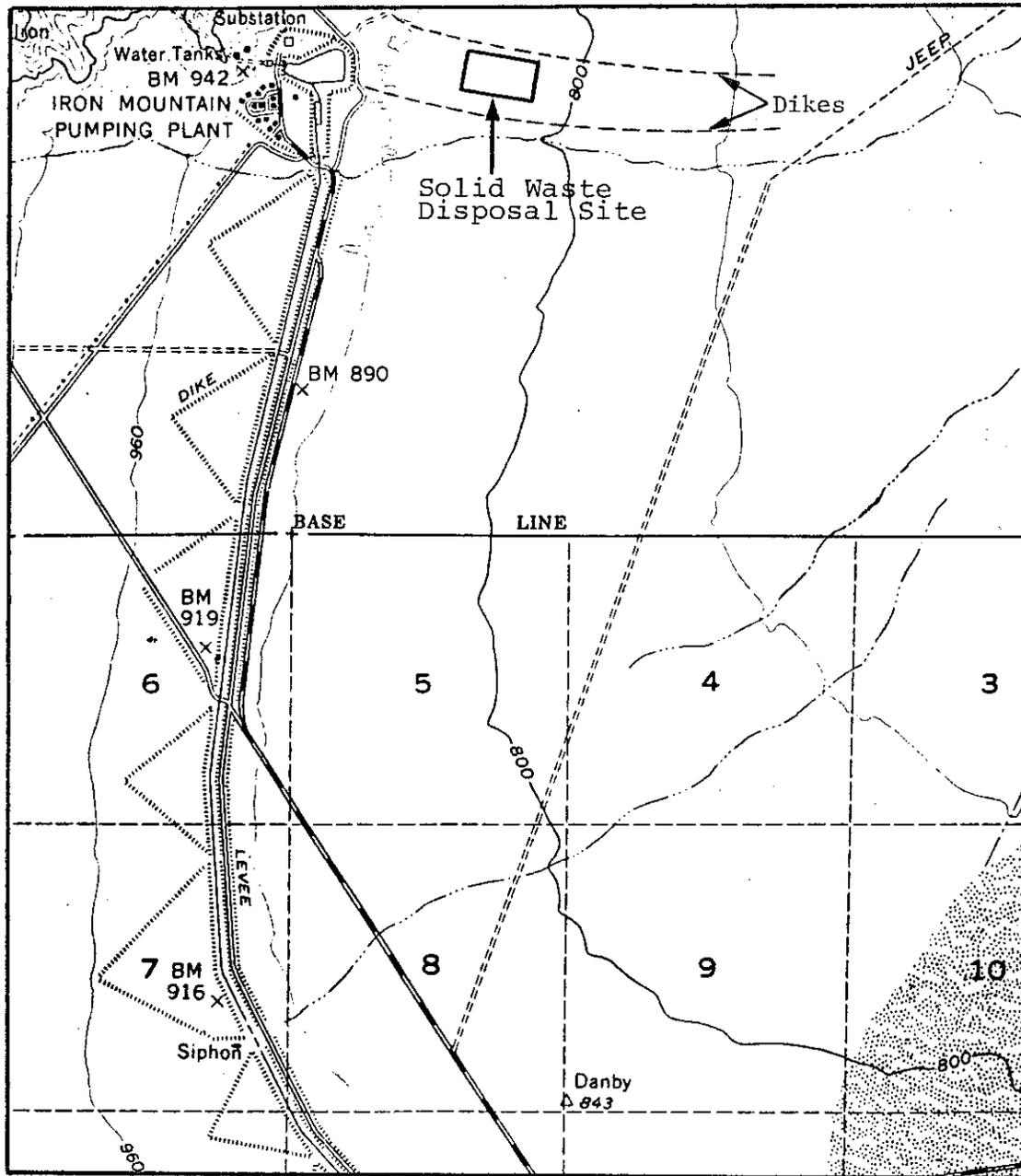
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 USGS Iron Mtns. 15 min. Topographic Map

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SITE MAP NO. 2

METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
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SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

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