# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

# REVISED TENTATIVE ORDER

UPDATED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND RESCISSION OF ORDER NO. 00-043 FOR:

CHEVRON PRODUCTS COMPANY CHEVRON RICHMOND REFINERY 841 CHEVRON WAY RICHMOND, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, hereinafter called the Regional Water Board, finds that:

## OWNERSHIP AND LOCATION

1. Chevron Products Company, a subsidiary of Chevron USA, Inc., (hereinafter called Chevron or the Discharger) owns and operates the Chevron Richmond Refinery (hereinafter called the refinery). The refinery was built in 1902 and produces a broad range of fuels, lubricants, asphalt and petrochemicals. The 2,900-acre refinery is located along the southern shore of San Pablo Bay in Contra Costa County (Figure 1). The City of Richmond lies to the east of the refinery. To the east and within one mile from the refinery are industrial, residential, and commercial land uses. Certain wastes generated from the refinery's processes have historically been deposited in Waste Management Units within the refinery, prompting the need for these Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs).

## PURPOSE OF ORDER UPDATE

2. This Order rescinds outdated WDRs and updates the requirements for continued maintenance and monitoring of the inactive and closed Waste Management Units, along with the requirements for the Waste Management Unit corrective action and water quality monitoring programs.

## REGULATORY HISTORY

3. Prior to this Order, the Regional Water Board regulated the Waste Management Units and the refinery-wide investigations and corrective actions under Order No. 00-043. The refinery-wide investigation and corrective action activities not associated with the Waste Management Units will be addressed under separate Site Cleanup Requirements Order (SCRs).

Other Orders previously adopted, but now rescinded, for the refinery are:

93-109	Waste Discharge Requirements
93-016	Site Cleanup Requirements for the S.P. Hill Tank Field
92-092	Site Cleanup Requirements for the Alkane Sector
92-010	Waste Discharge Requirements for Landfill 15
91-098	Cease and Desist Order for Pollard Pond and the Hydropits
90-146	Site Cleanup Requirements for Plant I/Additives Plant
89-175	Waste Discharge Requirements
89-011	Cease and Desist Order for the Pollard Pond
88-044	Waste Discharge Requirements
83-13	Waste Discharge Requirements
81-55	Waste Discharge Requirements

- 4. The Regional Water Board adopted Order No. R2-2006-0035 (NPDES No. CA0005134) on June 14, 2006. This permit regulates the discharge of effluent from the Discharger's wastewater treatment system, and the discharges of all stormwater associated with industrial activity from the refinery to San Pablo and San Francisco bays.
- 5. Effective July 18, 1997, many provisions of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) for non-hazardous waste were moved from Division 3, Chapter 15 into Title 27, Division 2 (Title 27). Where applicable, the new regulatory citations have been incorporated in this Order.

# FACILITY DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY

# **Hydrogeologic Setting**

- 6. The refinery and its tankfields are located on the peninsula of the Potrero-San Pablo Ridge, which is composed of the steeply dipping Franciscan Complex. The refining of the petroleum products generally occurs on the bay fill areas northeast of the ridge. The southwest side of the ridge consists of steep topography where the Franciscan Complex has been terraced for the placement of aboveground petroleum storage tanks.
- 7. Past fluctuations in sea level created a complex sedimentary sequence of interfingered estuarine and alluvial fan deposits overlying the Franciscan Complex bedrock. The uppermost deposits are artificially placed bay fill, ranging from approximately 3 feet to approximately 30 feet in depth. The fill materials overlie bay muds, which consist of silt and silty clay with abundant plant matter or peat. The bay muds overlap onto the Franciscan bedrock and thicken bayward.
- 8. Three hydrogeologic zones have been identified within the top 150 feet of sediments in the flat lying areas of the refinery, the A-Zone, the C-Zone, and the B-Zone, in order of increasing depth.
  - a. The A-Zone is the first water bearing zone and consists of artificial fill and the naturally occurring peat rich, bay mud. The water table elevation for this zone is within two to ten feet of the ground surface and generally discharges to the Bay.
  - b. The C-Zone is an 80 to 90-foot-thick water bearing zone of interfingered alluvial and estuarine sediments. These sediments generally have low hydraulic conductivity, but sandy, more permeable units occur as channels and lenses. The sand units have not been shown to be contiguous across the site, but do appear to be hydraulically connected. However, based on several years of chemical data there is no indication that the C-Zone groundwater has been significantly impacted. Chevron has concluded that the bay mud has been an effective hydraulic barrier between the A- and C-Zones and has prevented the migration of contaminants in groundwater from the A-Zone to the C-Zone. These results and

- conclusions were presented to the Regional Water Board in two reports titled C-Zone Investigation Phase 1 and Phase 2, dated February 8 and December 20, 1991, respectively, and continue to be supported by groundwater monitoring data collected pursuant to the refinery-wide Self-Monitoring Program.
- c. The B-Zone is a relatively permeable unit at approximately 100 feet below the ground surface. It ranges from 5 to 15 feet thick and contains potable water, but has limited production capacity. The B-Zone occurs under artesian conditions and appears to be hydraulically separate from the overlying zones.
- 9. As shown in Figure 2, the refinery lies in four geomorphic/geologic settings referred to locally as the "Alluvial," "Flats," "Ridge," and "Transition" Zones.
  - a. The **Alluvial Zone** is defined as the broad area of alluvial fan deposits, derived from the Berkeley Hills, east of the refinery. This zone represents flatland areas in which bay mud was not deposited. The upper portion of the alluvial fan deposit is typically clayey with low permeability.
  - b. The **Flats Zone** comprises the flatland marsh area bounded by San Pablo Bay to the north and extending south along the northeast side of Potrero-San Pablo Ridge. For the purpose of the refinery's investigations, the inland Flats Zone/Alluvial Zone boundary has been defined to be the 5-foot bay mud isopach (line of equal thickness). Thus, the Flats Zone is typically underlain by at least five feet of bay mud except where removed by excavation or erosion, in local areas of non-deposition, or where displaced by differential settlement of overlying fill.
  - c. The **Ridge Zone** consists primarily of colluvium (slope wash) overlying deformed Franciscan Complex rocks exposed along Potrero-San Pablo Ridge. The boundary of the Ridge Zone is defined as those areas of Potrero-San Pablo Ridge above the 50-foot elevation contour.
  - d. The **Transition Zone** is defined as the area that separates the Flats Zone from the Ridge Zones. As described above, the Flats-Transition boundary is defined as the 5-foot bay mud isopach and the Ridge-Transition boundary is defined as the 50-foot elevation contour.

- 10. Chevron has subdivided the refinery into ten geographic sectors (see Figure 3). Each sector has unique hydrogeology and varying degrees of environmental concern. The sectors are as follows:
  - Landfarms/Landfill 15
  - Castro/Plant 1 Additives
  - North Yard
  - Bayside Sector North
  - Bayside Sector South
  - Alkane Sector
  - Effluent
  - Reclamation
  - Pollard
  - Interior "C" Zone or Main Yard
- 11. Sector boundaries are generally defined by a physiographic boundary separating adjacent sectors, or by the refinery property line. The upgradient sector boundaries for the Alkane, North Yard, and Main Yard sectors correspond to an inferred groundwater drainage divide, which is generally coincident with topographic drainage divides along San Pablo Ridge. The upgradient sector boundaries for the Landfarms/Landfills, Castro, and Reclamation sectors are generally coincident with the refinery property line. The Bayside North and Bayside South sectors include all Chevron properties on the southwestern side of San Pablo Ridge and adjacent to San Francisco Bay. With the exception of the Bayside North and Bayside South sectors (which are on the west side of the San Pablo Ridge), all sites described in this Order are largely contained by the groundwater protection systems, which are described below.

## **Corrective Action**

- 12. All sectors have impacted soil and/or groundwater from historic releases and corrective action steps have been implemented. Some of the sectors contain Waste Management Units that are either in the Title 27 Corrective Action Monitoring Program or part of the refinery effluent system; these include the Alkane, Reclamation, North Yard, Effluent, and Landfarms/Landfill sectors. Corrective action occurring at sectors comprised of only impacted soil and/or groundwater from historic releases and not associated with Waste Management Units will be addressed by the SCRs presently under development; these include the Pollard, Castro/Plant 1 Additives, Bayside North, Bayside South and Interior C Zone sectors.
- 13. Chevron has implemented corrective actions to intercept contaminated groundwater at various locations and thus to prevent migration to San Pablo Bay. The corrective actions include systems comprised of varying combinations of slurry walls, extraction trenches and/or extraction wells for hydraulic control at different locations within the refinery. The systems comprised of slurry walls and/or extraction trenches at the Alkane, North Yard, Effluent, Landfarms/Landfill, Reclamation, Pollard, and the

Castro/Plant 1 sectors are referred to collectively as the Groundwater Protection Systems (GPS) (see Figure 4). The GPS establishes and maintains a contiguous capture zone which prevents migration of potentially contaminated A-Zone groundwater past the GPS alignment. The slurry walls were installed where thick and/or highly permeable intervals of A-Zone fill soils are encountered. A low permeability bay mud "floor" inhibits transport of A-Zone contaminants to the underlying C-Zone in the "Flats Zone" of the Refinery (see Figure 13).

- 14. Approximately 24,700 feet of extraction trench, 18,535 feet of barrier wall, over 200 groundwater extraction sumps, and one groundwater treatment plant have been installed. The extracted groundwater is routed to the refinery's wastewater treatment system and discharged in accordance with existing NPDES permit requirements. The GPS extraction trenches and barrier wall are illustrated in Figure 13.
- 15. The Regional Water Board has determined that the GPS comprised of the slurry walls and extraction trenches at the Alkane, North Yard, Effluent, Landfarms/Landfill, Reclamation, Pollard, and Castro/Plant 1 sectors is a satisfactory corrective action measure for the containment and removal of contaminated groundwater along the perimeter of the refinery. The corrective action at the Alkane, North Yard, Effluent, Landfarms/Landfill, and the Reclamation sectors are addressed by this Order. Activities associated with the Castro/Plant 1 Additives, Pollard, Bayside North, Bayside South and Interior C Zone sectors will be addressed in separate SCRs. There is a single groundwater monitoring program for all sectors which is contained in both these WDRs and the SCRs.

# **Waste Management Units**

The following is a summary of actions taken at previously-identified Waste Management Units pursuant to previous Regional Water Board orders organized by the refinery sectors subject to this Order.

# Landfarms/Landfill Sector

- 16. Perimeter Groundwater Barrier and Soil cover: A GPS barrier wall and/or extraction trench is at the downgradient edge and largely surrounds this sector, consisting of Landfill 15 and the landfarms (described below, see Figures 8 and 12). The monitoring program (as described in the attached monitoring program) monitors both the performance of the GPS (A-Zone corrective action monitoring) as well as C-Zone wells (corrective action monitoring and detection monitoring for Landfarms No. 2-5) for the monitoring parameters (MP) and Constituents of Concern (COC) noted in the monitoring program. Chevron is responsible for inspection and maintenance of the soil cover and stormwater conveyances for the Landfill 15 and Landfarm soil covers.
- 17. <u>Landfill 15</u>: Landfill 15 is a 41-acre former tidal marsh area converted for waste disposal use (Figure 8) containing about 270,000 cubic yards of waste. The site was used from the early 1960's to 1987 as an evaporation pond and as a landfill for a

variety of wastes including sludges (separator, paint, and water treatment), oily soil and dredge spoils, resins, catalyst fines, lime, and sulfur. Approximately 13 acres of Landfill 15 were reactivated in 1992 for disposal of treated non-hazardous acidic sludge and dredged bay mud generated from the closure of Pollard Pond. The portion of the landfill that accepted the Pollard Pond closure waste was closed by placement of a multi-layer low-permeability cap. The remaining 28 inactive acres that ceased receiving waste material prior to 1987 were capped in 1996 and 1997. No further closure activities are required.

- 18. Old Drum Storage Area: This is a 180 ft. by 90 ft. area used for storing up to 2448 drums until 1984. The unit was closed in 1986 and is covered with a concrete cap with stormwater diversion away from the site.
- 19. <u>Landfarms</u>: Between the 1970's and 1987, Chevron conducted landfarming operations at five locations to promote biodegradation of oily soils. Landfarm No. 1 is 13.5 acres and is located in the North Yard sector. Landfarms No. 2-5 are 8, 3.5,3 and 1 acres, respectively. The landfarms were built by placing clean fill over existing waste which contained slop oil solids, leaded tank bottoms, separator sludge and other wastes. The landfarms were used to biologically treat 30,000 tons per year of non-leaded tank bottom sludge, oil water mixtures and other sludges and contaminated soil. The landfarms have not received waste since 1987. A Final Closure Plan for the landfarms was approved in 1998, and closure was completed the following year, which consisted of importing fill, grading, installation of a vegetative cap and shallow groundwater extraction trenches.
- 20. <u>Landfill under Landfarms Numbers 2 and 3</u>: The unit held about 80,000 cubic yards of refinery waste, completely within the bounds of both Landfarms No. 2 and No. 3. Landfilling was finished about 1977, with the landfarming beginning in about 1980.

## North Yard Sector

- 21. Perimeter Groundwater Barrier: A GPS barrier wall and extraction trench is at the downgradient edge of Landfarm No. 1 and the North Yard, located in this sector (see Figure 12). The monitoring program (as described in the attached monitoring program) monitors both the performance of the GPS (A-Zone corrective action) as well as C-Zone wells (corrective action monitoring and detection monitoring at Landfarm No. 1) for the MP and COC also noted in the monitoring program. The aboveground tanks in this area also are subject to the inspection and monitoring programs described below.
- 22. <u>Tetraethyl Lead Site (TEL):</u> This was a 300 cubic yard impoundment formerly used for tank bottom sludges containing TEL. The wastes were removed in 1980. The soil was removed and disposed of as hazardous waste, and, in the early 1980's, Landfarm No. 1 was expanded over the site. Landfarm No. 1 was subsequently closed as noted in Finding 19.

- 23. <u>Big Wheels Site</u>: This was an 80 cubic yard impoundment for holding slop oil emulsion prior to landfarming. In 1980 it was clean closed, with the wastes and contaminated soil being placed in the landfarms, which were closed as noted above.
- 24. <u>Landfill Under Isomax and Landfarm No. 1</u>: This holds about 400,000 cubic yards of waste, such as slop oil solids, separator sludge, leaded tank bottoms. Final closure for the landfarms was achieved as noted above.
- 25. Oil Water Separators 1, 1A, 2, 2A, 13, 15, and Coalescing plate interceptor: The separators have been used to skim off oil, which is returned to product tankage. Solids settle and the effluent is routed to the Bioreactor. The sludge is a listed hazardous waste and formerly was landfarmed, but now is disposed of offsite or is recycled as a supplemental fuel. Separators 1, 2, 15 and CPI were cleaned and backfilled with clean fill.
- 26. No. 1 Oxidation Pond: There is petroleum hydrocarbon-contaminated soil in the No. 1 Oxidation pond. The 116-acre pond was built in 1959 and was formerly part of the refinery's effluent treatment system until the late 1980's. It is divided into five basins known as passes. Pass 1 was clean closed in 1990 and is now used for stormwater storage. Passes 2-5 contain oily sediment. In 2008, Regional Water Board staff approved a final closure plan that proposed the placing of sediments dredged from Castro Cove and other non-hazardous refinery soil within the pond, then stabilizing this material with cement and fly ash to support a final Title 27 closure cap. The Final Closure Plan was slightly modified in 2009 and again in 2010. This work is expected to be completed during 2011.
- 27. <u>Lake Rushing and Majka Ditch</u>: These transported stormwater to the No. 2A separator. 300 cubic yards of contaminated soil were removed from the ditch in 1987.
- 28. <u>Poleyard Tankfield</u>: There are 32 aboveground petroleum storage tanks, with 24 in service with a total volume of 2 million barrels. Most of these tanks have leak detection bottoms. There are a total of six impound basins including Lake Rushing, Lake Schramm (see below) and four others.
- 29. <u>Lake Schramm</u>: This was formerly an unlined surface impoundment used for disposal of leaded tank bottoms. 1300 cubic yards of leaded tank bottoms were removed in 1981, and the Lake is now lined and used to contain stormwater runoff.

# Alkane Sector

30. <u>Perimeter Groundwater Barrier</u>: A GPS barrier wall and extraction trench is at the downgradient edge of the Alkane Sector (see Figure 7). The monitoring program (as described in the attached monitoring program) monitors both the performance of the A- and C-Zone corrective actions noted in the monitoring program. Chevron is

- responsible for inspection and maintenance of the soil cover and stormwater conveyances for the Hydropits Area.
- 31. <u>Sulfur Recovery Unit Settling Basin</u>: This 3590-gallon basin receives low pH solutions from the sulfur recovery unit, with the supernatant being routed to the wastewater treatment plant.
- 32. <u>Mud Sump</u>: This unit formerly stored mud and solids that settled at the bottom of the No.13 Separator, but has now been cleaned and backfilled with clean soil.
- 33. <u>Hydropits</u>: The Hydrolyzing Pits (Hydropits) were three small unlined surface impoundments located on the shore of San Pablo Bay in the Alkane Sector (Figure 7) that historically received wastewater from the refinery's Alkane Plant until 1986. The most significant constituents of this waste stream were neutralized hydrofluoric acid and small amounts of oil containing benzene. Chevron submitted a closure report in 1992. The Hydropits Closure Unit includes a multi-layer cap and the Alkane GPS along the northeastern perimeter of the Hydropits adjacent to Castro Cove. The unit no longer contains liquid hazardous waste and, as such, meets the cease discharge requirements of the Toxic Pits Cleanup Act. No further closure activities are necessary or required for the Hydropits.
- 34. <u>Schaeffer Slough</u>: This ditch carried the effluent from the Hydropits to the No. 13 Separator for eventual discharge to the wastewater treatment system. The slough has now been closed.
- 35. <u>No. 13 Separator</u>: This oil/water separator has a volume of 960,000 gallons. In concert with the Mud Sump, it treated oily process water, with the supernatant being routed to the wastewater treatment system.
- 36. Alkane Plant: There are shallow groundwater plumes containing benzene, fluoride, and free-phase petroleum hydrocarbons originating from the Alkane Plant area (Figure 7). This contamination necessitated source area remediation consisting of free product recovery and groundwater extraction and treatment in addition to implementation of the refinery-wide GPS. In 2001, Chevron started operating eight extraction wells designed to recover floating liquid hydrocarbons and contaminated groundwater in the Alkane Plant plume source area upgradient of the Hydropits Closure Unit and the Alkane Sector GPS. These extraction wells make up the Alkane Plant Groundwater Recovery System. Groundwater and liquid hydrocarbons recovered by the extraction wells are routed to the refinery's wastewater treatment system and is discharged in accordance with existing NPDES permit requirements.
- 37. <u>Pond 13A</u>: This pond was used to store fluoride salts originating from the Hydroloyzing Pits. It had a capacity of about 28,000 cubic yards and was clean closed in 1992.

- 38. <u>No. 7 sump</u>: This sump formerly collected stormwater runoff, but is now out of service and is backfilled.
- 39. <u>Alkane Tankfield</u>: Historically, there were 40 tanks in this tankfield. Currently, no tanks are in active service in this tankfield.

## Effluent Sector

- 40. <u>Perimeter Groundwater Barrier</u>: A GPS barrier wall extends along the 250-foot channel (described below, see Figure 10). The monitoring program (as described in the attached monitoring program) includes A- and C-Zone wells for the evaluation of the performance of the GPS (corrective action).
- 41. <u>Bioreactor</u>: The Bioreactor was excavated to about -40 feet Mean Sea Level in the early 1900's to be used as a turning basin for ships. Now this 30-acre pond conducts the refinery's secondary wastewater treatment by means of 1100 aerators and a series of baffles.
- 42. No. 2 Oxidation Pond: This 90-acre pond was historically used for final polishing of NPDES-regulated treated wastewater prior to its discharge to the Bay. The pond was converted to an Experimental Water Enhancement Wetland (Wetland), which is downstream of the biological treatment settling basins (Bioreactor). The treated water from the Wetland and Bioreactor are combined and routed through granular activated carbon, and is discharged in a deep water diffuser, which is the Refinery's NPDES' Point of Compliance under the NPDES permit referenced in Finding 4.
- 43. <u>250-foot channel</u>: The 250-foot channel was excavated to about -40 feet MSL in the early 1900's to be used as a shipping channel for the refinery until the 1950's. The channel was then dammed and used as part of the wastewater treatment system until 1987, and now serves to store stormwater and treated process water.
  - In 2002, Chevron proposed and implemented interim corrective actions for the channel. These included installation of a High Density Polyethylene barrier, fencing, bank steepening, vegetation control and removal of perching objects used by birds. Chevron also continues collection and removal of oil, and vegetation management and wildlife surveys. Lastly, Chevron conducts water elevation monitoring to assure that there is neither a vertical or lateral gradient allowing for release of contaminated water to either groundwater or the Bay. Ongoing monitoring indicates limited wildlife exposure, that A-Zone groundwater flow is fully contained by the GPS, and that there is largely an upward flow into the channel for the C-Zone water.
- 44. <u>50/100 foot channel</u>: This channel conveyed wastewater to the bioreactor. Sampling showed the wastes to be non-hazardous. The channel has been cleaned and converted for use in conveying non-contaminated stormwater to the Bay after sampling.

- 45. <u>Pond 11</u>: This site received oily waste and paint sludge from the Drum Reconditioning Plant. The site was clean-closed in 1979.
- 46. <u>Pond 14</u>: This 4,300-cubic yard pond also received waste from the Drum Recondition Plant until 1979. In 1980, all wastes and some underlying soil were removed.

## **Reclamation Sector**

- 47. <u>Perimeter Groundwater Barrier</u>: A GPS barrier wall and extraction trench largely surrounds the sector's units listed below (see Figure 11). The monitoring program (as described in the attached monitoring program) monitors the performance of the GPS corrective action. Chevron is responsible for inspection and maintenance of the soil cover and stormwater conveyances for the Gertrude Street and Parr-Richmond units.
- 48. Reclamation Yard Site: Chevron bought this site in 1958, which had been the former City of Richmond municipal landfill since 1947 and has a capacity of about 187,500 cubic yards. No waste disposal occurred following Chevron's purchase of the site.
- 49. <u>Parr-Richmond Site</u>: Chevron bought this site in 1954, which had been used for municipal landfilling and junkyard storage since 1930. A final cover was built over it in 1997.
- 50. Gertude Street Site: This 3-acre site was purchased by Chevron and then leased to an outside party that used it for auto dismantling and drum reconditioning between 1961 and 1983. The drums were removed in 1983. In 1987, the site was graded and, in 1997, a final cover was installed along with a groundwater extraction trench.

# **Seismicity**

51. Earthquakes posing a threat to the refinery could occur along the Hayward, San Andreas and Calaveras faults. The maximum ground surface acceleration, calculated for soft to medium clay and silt sites, is expected to be 0.35g for an event originating from a Richter Magnitude 6.4 Maximum Probable Earthquake (MPE) at the Hayward fault about 3.7 km east of the site, 0.35g for an event originating from a Richter Magnitude 7.75 MPE at the San Andreas fault located about 24 km west, and 0.35g for an event originating from a Richter Magnitude 6.6 MPE at the Calaveras fault. In an effort to prepare for such an incident, Chevron routinely and systematically reviews all process facilities for potential hazards, including a seismic review of appropriate structures. In accordance with federal, State and local requirements, Chevron also maintains a facility emergency response plan and tsunami contingency plan for the Richmond Long Wharf.

# **Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks**

- 52. Aboveground petroleum storage tanks are required to comply with the requirements of Chapter 6.67 Section 25270 of the Health and Safety Code. In part, the regulations require installation and utilization of a leak detection system for each regulated tank that has the potential to impact groundwater or surface waters. The refinery operates approximately 160 aboveground petroleum storage tanks with a total storage capacity of approximately 600 million gallons. The majority of these tanks now have leak detection bottoms (LDBs), as Chevron has installed LDBs on all new tanks constructed at the refinery and retrofitted old tanks with LDBs if they are kept in service after their steel bottoms need to be replaced.
- 53. Aboveground petroleum storage tank facilities are also required to have secondary spill containment for the capture of sudden releases from an aboveground petroleum tank. The refinery utilizes several different types of soil berms, spill collection basins and channels located in the tank fields for containment and diversion of petroleum hydrocarbon releases. The primary regulation governing this activity is Code of Federal Regulations 112.7 Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plans (SPCC). The SPCC is designed to prevent spills at petroleum facilities to the maximum extent practicable and mitigate a spill if it occurs.

# MONITORING PROGRAMS

- 54. To record the compliance of the waste management units and surface impoundments described above, Chevron is required to implement the attached monitoring program described in these WDRs. The monitoring program requires groundwater level and chemical monitoring for inorganic and organic MPs and COCs (both terms are further defined in Specification 5, below) along a point of compliance (POC also defined in Specification 5, below and generally coincident with the GPS where present). The MPs and COCs are typically metals, semivolatile organic compounds, and volatile organic compounds.
- 55. In the Landfarm areas, the A-Zone monitoring helps demonstrate that the GPS is maintaining a hydraulic barrier and by evaluating the effectiveness of the GPS as a Corrective Action Monitoring Program. The C-Zone monitoring helps verify that water quality below the bay mud at the POC of the landfarms has not been degraded and is considered to be a Detection Monitoring Program. Outside of the Landfarm area, the A-Zone monitoring likewise helps validate the GPS performance as a Corrective Action Monitoring Program, but C-Zone monitoring is considered to be corrective action monitoring.
- 56. Pursuant to a plan approved by the Regional Water Board in 2002, Chevron performs a statistical evaluation and trend analysis of groundwater well monitoring results, to establish concentration trends and note the overall effectiveness of the remedial actions at the refinery.

57. Chevron also reports on groundwater elevations, flow patterns and velocities, hydrocarbon thicknesses and recovery, and closure unit monitoring, inspection and maintenance activities as part of their monitoring program.

#### **BASIN PLAN**

58. The Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin (Basin Plan) is the Regional Water Board's master water quality control planning document. It designates beneficial uses and water quality objectives for waters of the State, including surface waters and groundwater. It also includes programs of implementation to achieve water quality objectives. The Basin Plan was duly adopted by the Regional Water Board and approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Office of Administrative Law and the U.S. EPA, where required.

# **BENEFICIAL USES**

59. Shallow groundwater beneath the "Flats Zone", which comprises the flatland marsh area bounded by the San Pablo Bay to the north and extending south along the northeast side of the Potrero-San Pablo Ridge, has Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) levels that are significantly higher than the 3000 mg/l (5000 μS/cm electrical conductivity) level which the Regional Water Board (Resolution No. 89-39) set as a maximum for a municipal or domestic water supply in its Sources of Drinking Water Policy. There is no historical, existing or planned use of groundwater as a source of drinking water in either the shallow (A- and C-Zones) or deeper (B-Zone) aquifers in this part of the refinery.

Groundwater beneath the "Ridge Zone," which is bounded on the south by San Francisco Bay and extends northwest up to the top of the Potrero-San Pablo Ridge (Bayside sectors), is primarily contained in fractured bedrock of the Franciscan Complex. Based on hydraulic conductivity data collected during hydrogeologic investigations of the tankfields in the Bayside North and Bayside South sectors, it is unlikely that a single well could produce an average sustained yield of 200 gallons per day for drinking water supply purposes (State Water Board Resolution No. 88-63, exemption criterion 1(c), and Regional Water Board Resolution No. 89-39). There is no historical, existing or planned use of unconfined groundwater as a source of drinking water in this part of the refinery.

There is the potential, however, for groundwater on either side of the Potrero-San Pablo Ridge to discharge into San Francisco and San Pablo bays at the shoreline groundwater/surface water interface. Therefore, the surface water beneficial uses named in the Basin Plan for these bodies of water are applicable to groundwater in POC monitoring wells near the shoreline interface.

60. The existing and potential beneficial uses of groundwater underlying the site that is not contained in bedrock and is greater than 100 feet below ground surface are:

- a. Industrial process and service supply
- b. Agricultural water supply
- c. Municipal and domestic supply (however, due to the proximity of the Bay, groundwater at the site contains elevated TDS levels, which render the groundwater nonpotable)
- 61. The existing and potential beneficial uses of San Francisco and San Pablo bays are:
  - a. Ocean, commercial, and sport fishing
  - b. Shellfish harvesting
  - c. Estuarine habitat
  - d. Fish migration
  - e. Preservation of rare and endangered species
  - f. Fish spawning
  - g. Wildlife habitat
  - h. Water contact recreation
  - i. Non-contact water recreation
  - j. Industrial service supply
  - k. Industrial process supply
  - 1. Navigation

# CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

62. This action is an Order to enforce the laws and regulations administered by the Regional Water Board. This action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15308, Title 14, CCR.

## **NOTICE AND MEETING**

- 63. The Regional Water Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to amend the WDRs, and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
- 64. The Regional Water Board, at a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this amendment of WDRs.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** pursuant to the authority in Section 13263 of California Water Code (CWC), Title 27, Division 2, Subdivision 1 of the California Code of Regulations (27CCR), and Chapter 15, Division 3, Title 23 of the CCR (Chapter 15) that the Discharger, its agents, successors, and assigns shall meet the applicable provisions contained in 27CCR, Chapter 15, and Division 7 CWC, and shall comply with the following:

#### **PROHIBITIONS**

- 1. Migration of pollutants through subsurface transport to waters of the State outside of the GPS is prohibited.
- 2. There shall be no discharge of wastes to surface waters except as permitted under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.
- 3. The treatment, discharge or storage of materials that may impact the beneficial uses of groundwater or surface water shall not be allowed to create a condition of pollution or nuisance as defined in sections 13050 (l) and (m) of the CWC, nor degrade the quality of waters of the State or of the United States.
- 4. The creation of any new Waste Management Unit (WMU) is prohibited without prior Regional Water Board staff written concurrence.
- 5. The relocation of wastes is prohibited without prior Regional Water Board staff written concurrence.
- 6. The relocation of wastes to or from WMUs shall not create a condition of pollution or nuisance as defined in CWC sections 13050 (l) and (m). Any relocated waste shall not be placed in or allowed to contact ponded water from any source whatsoever. Wastes shall not be relocated to any location where they can be discharged into waters of the State or of the United States.
- 7. Excavation within or reconfiguration of any existing WMU is prohibited without prior concurrence of Regional Water Board staff. Minor excavation or reconfiguration activities such as for installation of signs or minor landscaping, or for minor routine maintenance and repair do not require prior staff concurrence.
- 8. Waste shall not be exposed at the surface of any WMU.
- 9. Disking of WMU covers is prohibited without prior Regional Water Board staff written concurrence. Alternate methods of controlling vegetative growth, which do not affect the integrity of the WMU cap, are preferred.
- 10. Surface drainage from tributary areas and internal site drainage from surface or subsurface sources shall not contact or percolate through wastes during the life of the site.
- 11. The discharge of hazardous waste at the facility is prohibited. For the purpose of this Order, the term "hazardous waste" is as defined in Section 20164 of Title 27.
- 12. The discharge of leachate or wastewater (including from surface impoundments, process waters, and runoff from the plant operations areas) that: 1) have the potential to cause corrosion or decay, or otherwise reduce or impair the integrity of the

containment structures; 2) if mixed or commingled with other wastes in the unit, could produce a violent reaction including heat, pressure, fire, explosion, or the production of toxic by-products; 3) require a higher level of containment than provided by the unit; 4) are "restricted hazardous wastes", or 5) impair the integrity of the containment structures, are prohibited per Section 20200(2)(b) of Title 27.

- 13. Activities associated with subsurface investigations and cleanup that will cause significant adverse migration of pollutants are prohibited.
- 14. There shall be no discharges to a surface impoundment, and any residual liquids and sludge shall be removed expeditiously if it is determined the surface impoundment is leaking or there is a failure which causes a threat to water quality.
- 15. Wastes shall not be disposed in any position where they may migrate from the disposal site to adjacent geologic materials, waters of the State or of the United States during disposal operations, closure, and during the post-closure maintenance period, per Section 20310(a) of Title 27.
- 16. The Discharger shall not cause the following conditions to exist in waters of the State at any place outside of the GPS:

# a. Surface Waters

- i. Floating, suspended, or deposited macroscopic particulate matter or foam;
- ii. Bottom deposits or aquatic growth;
- iii. Adversely altered temperature, turbidity, or apparent color beyond natural background levels;
- iv. Visible, floating, suspended or deposited oil or other products of petroleum origin; or
- v. Toxic or other deleterious substances to be present in concentrations or quantities that may cause deleterious effects on aquatic biota, wildlife or waterfowl, or that render any of these unfit for human consumption either at levels created in the receiving waters or as a result of biological concentrations.

## b. Groundwater

- i. Further degradation of groundwater quality and/or substantial worsening of existing groundwater impacts; and
- ii. Subsurface migration of pollutants associated with Chevron's operations to waters of the State is prohibited.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

# **Reporting Specifications**

1. All technical reports submitted pursuant to this Order shall be prepared under the supervision of and signed by a California registered civil engineer, registered geologist, and/or certified engineering geologist.

- 2. The Discharger shall implement a Detection Monitoring Program (DMP) for the C-Zone groundwater at the Landfarm area, pursuant to CCR Title 27 Section 20420. The Self-Monitoring Program (SMP) attached to this Order is intended to constitute the DMP for the refinery.
- 3. The Discharger shall also continue the Corrective Action Monitoring Program for the A-Zone groundwater, and the C-Zone groundwater outside of the landfarms, pursuant to CCR Title 27 Section 20430. The program shall be designed to determine if the corrective action measures, such as the operation of the GPS, are functioning and demonstrate compliance with the corrective action program goals. The SMP attached to this Order is intended to constitute the Corrective Action Monitoring Program for the refinery.
- 4. At any time, the Discharger may file a written request (including supporting documentation) with the Regional Water Board's Executive Officer, proposing modifications to the attached SMP. If the proposed modifications are acceptable, the Executive Officer may issue a letter of approval that incorporates the proposed revisions into the SMP.

# **Title 27 Compliance Specifications**

- 5. Title 27 requires the Regional Water\_Board to establish a Water Quality Protection Standard (WQPS) in a WDR order for each WMU covered by that order. The WQPS for the refinery shall include the following:
  - (a) <u>Constituents of Concern (COC)</u>: Section 20395 of Title 27 defines COCs as "all waste constituents, reaction products, and hazardous constituents that are reasonably expected to be in or derived from waste contained in the Unit." COCs for the refinery include the monitoring parameters identified in the SMP attached to this Order, or any future amendment thereof, and all Appendix II parameters in the federal Subtitle D regulations.
  - (b) Monitoring Parameters (MP): MPs, a subset of the COCs, are typically the most mobile and commonly detected COCs in groundwater at a site and are measured on a more frequent basis than the entire list of COCs. The MPs for the refinery shall include, at a minimum, all constituents identified as such in the SMP attached to this Order, or any future amendments thereof. The Discharger may propose modification to the MPs as additional data become available concerning site-specific source characteristics and natural background water quality. However, modifications shall only be made upon written concurrence from the Executive Officer.
  - (c) <u>Maximum Allowable Concentration Limits</u>(MACLs): MACLs have been established for each COC listed in Tables 2 and 4 of the SMP. Concentration limits for all COCs detected at the specified monitoring wells are typically established using the background data set pursuant to CCR Title 27 Section

20400. However, use of background data is inappropriate due to the number of releases over the many years of refinery operations, as it may be technologically and/or economically infeasible to cleanup all petroleum refining-related constituents in the groundwater to background concentrations (non-detect for synthetic organics). The MACLs were thus developed to protect the beneficial uses of shallow groundwater beneath the refinery. The applicable beneficial uses with the most stringent water quality objectives are related to shallow groundwater discharge to surface waters of San Francisco Bay and include uses involving the health of aquatic organism receptors in the Bay and humans who consume aquatic organisms from the Bay.

- (d) Point of Compliance: Title 27 defines the Point of Compliance (POC) as the "vertical surface located at the hydraulically downgradient limit of the Unit that extends through the uppermost aquifer underlying the Unit." The appropriate POC for the refinery, based on the areal extent of groundwater impacts and the large number of WMUs involved, is the GPS extraction trench/barrier wall system, which maintains a hydraulic capture zone to protect sensitive ecological receptors in the Bay and wetlands adjacent to the refinery. The GPS/POC boundary was established under the following guidelines: 1) at the downgradient perimeters of individual WMUs that require corrective action but are noncontiguous with other A-Zone areas under corrective action (e.g., Pollard Pond, Parr-Richmond site); 2) at the furthest downgradient boundary common to a group of WMUs and/or areas under corrective action (e.g., Landfarms 2-5, Plant I/Additives Plant); or, 3) at the refinery shoreline boundary where A-Zone groundwater contamination not associated with specific WMUs is present.
- (e) Monitoring Points: Title 27 defines Monitoring Points as "a well, device, or location specified in the waste discharge requirements at which monitoring is conducted and at which the water quality protection standard applies." Monitoring Points for compliance with the refinery-wide corrective action and detection monitoring program are identified in the SMP. These monitoring points generally consist of shallow groundwater monitoring wells located downgradient of the GPS extraction well capture zone. Because refinery operations predate collection of groundwater chemistry data, background water quality monitoring locations do not exist at this site; therefore, intra-well statistical comparisons will be used for evaluating trends in concentrations of COCs detected in groundwater monitoring wells. Concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbon-related COCs reported above MACLs are expected to exhibit decreasing trends over time as the GPS continues to operate and natural biodegradation processes take place.
- 6. The refinery site shall be protected from any washout or erosion of wastes or covering material and from inundation that could occur during a 100 year flood event. Final cover systems for WMUs shall be graded and maintained to promote lateral runoff and prevent ponding and infiltration of water.

- 7. The Discharger shall notify the Regional Water Board immediately of any failure that threatens the integrity of any containment and/or control facilities, structures, or devices. Any such failure shall be promptly corrected after approval of the method and schedule by the Executive Officer.
- 8. The Discharger shall maintain the WMUs so as to prevent a statistically significant increase in water quality parameters at POCs as provided in CCR Title 27, Section 20420.
- 9. The Discharger shall maintain the WMUs to prevent discharges, such that the units do not constitute a pollution source.
- 10. The Regional Water Board considers the Discharger to have continuing responsibility for correcting any problems that arise in the future as a result of waste discharge or related operations or site use.
- 11. The Discharger shall comply with all applicable provisions of Title 27 that apply to the closure and post-closure of WMUs and the design and maintenance of surface impoundments including those that are not specifically referred to in this Order.
- 12. WMUs shall be closed according to a closure plan prepared according to all applicable requirements of Title 27, and approved by the Executive Officer.

# **Remediation Facility Specifications**

- 13. The Discharger shall **annually demonstrate** (include results in the Annual Report) that all installed groundwater remedial systems including, but not limited to, groundwater containment, treatment, and/or extraction systems are functioning as intended and designed.
- 14. Containment, collection, drainage, and monitoring systems at the refinery, shall be maintained as long as contaminated waste, soil, or water is present and poses a threat to water quality.
- 15. The Discharger shall maintain groundwater or remediation devices or design features installed in accordance with this Order such that they continue to operate as intended without interruption, with the exception of periodic maintenance.
- 16. If the Executive Officer determines the existence of an imminent threat to the beneficial uses of surface or subsurface waters of the State, the Discharger may be required to install additional groundwater monitoring wells and/or undertake corrective action measures, including submittal of a site investigation report.
- 17. The Discharger shall install any additional groundwater and leachate monitoring devices required to fulfill the terms of any future SMP issued by the Executive Officer.

- 18. The Discharger shall install, maintain in good working order, and operate efficiently any facility, alarm, groundwater extraction system, or hydraulic/contaminant migration control system necessary to assure compliance with these WDRs.
- 19. If it is determined by the Executive Officer, based on groundwater monitoring information, that water quality impairment immediately outside the boundary of the GPS continues to degrade, the Discharger will be required to submit and implement a site specific groundwater corrective action proposal.

# **Monitoring Specifications**

- 20. The Discharger shall conduct monitoring activities according to the SMP attached to this Order and as may be amended by the Executive Officer, to verify the effectiveness of groundwater remediation and containment systems and WMU closure systems.
- 21. All monitoring wells shall be constructed in a manner that maintains the integrity of the drill hole, prevents cross-contamination of saturated zones, and produces representative groundwater samples from discrete zones within the groundwater zone each well is intended to monitor.
- 22. All borings for monitoring wells shall be continuously cored. The drill holes shall be logged during drilling under the direct supervision of a registered geologist whose signature appears on the corresponding well log. Logs of monitoring wells shall be filed with the Department of Water Resources. All information used to construct the wells shall be submitted to the Regional Water Board upon completion of the wells.
- 23. The groundwater sampling and analysis program shall ensure that groundwater quality data are representative of the groundwater in the area that is monitored.

# **Surface Impoundment Specifications**

- 24. If it is determined by the Executive Officer that any surface impoundment is degrading beneficial uses, there shall be no discharges to a surface impoundment, and residual liquids and sludges shall be removed expeditiously.
- 25. The impoundments will be operated such that scouring at points of discharge and by wave action at the water line will not degrade the pond containment features.
- 26. Pipeline discharges to surface impoundments shall be either equipped with devices, or fail-safe operating procedures, to prevent overfilling. The surface impoundments shall always maintain at least two-feet of freeboard.
- 27. The Discharger shall operate the surface impoundments according to a detailed operating, maintenance, and contingency plan that will include at a minimum,

procedures for routine inspection of the surface impoundments, discharge into a pond, discharge out of a pond, contingency measures if problems with the containment structures are found, and notification of agencies.

# Soil Contamination and Excavated Soil Reuse

28. Chevron shall notify the Regional Water Board of any soil contamination, not previously identified in subsurface investigations, discovered during any subsurface investigation or excavation work conducted on refinery property, which may potentially adversely impact water quality. Chevron shall store, reuse, and/or dispose of non-hazardous contaminated soil according to the *Revised Soil Management Plan*, *Chevron Richmond Refinery, Contra Costa county, California (SAIC, 2008)*.

## **PROVISIONS**

- 1. <u>Compliance</u>: The Discharger shall comply immediately, or as prescribed by the time schedule below, with all Prohibitions, Specifications, and Provisions of this Order. All required submittals must be acceptable to the Executive Officer. Violations may result in enforcement actions, including Regional Water Board orders or court orders requiring corrective action or imposing civil monetary liability, or in modification or revocation of these WDRs by the Regional Water Board [CWC sections 13261, 13267, 13263, 13265, 13268, 13300, 13301, 13304, 13340, and 13350].
- 2. <u>Authority:</u> All technical and monitoring reports required by this Order are requested pursuant to Section 13267 of the CWC. Failure to submit reports in accordance with schedules established by this Order or failure to submit a report of sufficient technical quality to be acceptable to the Executive Officer may subject the Discharger to enforcement action pursuant to Section 13268 of the CWC.

## **Reporting Requirements**

- 3. Technical reports/plans, submitted by the Discharger, in compliance with the Prohibitions, Specifications, and Provisions of this Order, shall be submitted to the Regional Water Board on the schedule specified herein. These reports/plans shall consist of a letter report that includes the following:
  - a. Identification of any obstacles that may threaten compliance with the schedule,
  - b. In the event of non-compliance with any Prohibition, Specification or Provision of this Order, written notification which clarifies the reasons for non-compliance and which proposes specific measures and a schedule to achieve compliance. This written notification shall identify work not completed that was projected for completion, and shall identify the impact of non-compliance on achieving compliance with the remaining requirements of this Order; and
  - c. In the SMP reports, an evaluation of the current groundwater monitoring system and a proposal for modifications as appropriate.

- 4. All application reports or information to be submitted to the Executive Officer shall be signed and certified as follows:
  - a. For a corporation by a principal executive officer or the level of vice-president or an appropriate delegate.
  - b. For a partnership or sole proprietorship by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively.
  - c. For a municipality, State, federal, or other public agency by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official.
- 5. All reports submitted pursuant to this Order must be submitted as both hard copies and electronic files in PDF format. The Regional Water Board has implemented a document database that is intended to reduce the need for printed report storage space and streamline the public review process. All electronic files, whether in PDF or spreadsheet format must be submitted via email (only if the file size is under 1MB), or on CD. Email notification should be provided to Regional Water Board staff whenever a file is uploaded to Geotracker (see below).
- 6. The State Water Board adopted regulations requiring electronic report and data submittal to the State's GeoTracker database (Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 30, Articles 1 and 2, Sections 3890-3895 of the CCR).

The Discharger is responsible for submitting the following via Geotracker:

- a. All chemical analytical results for soil, water, and vapor samples;
- b. The latitude and longitude of any permanent sampling point for which data is reported, accurate to within 1 meter and referenced to a minimum two reference points from the California Spatial Reference System, if available;
- c. The surveyed elevation relative to a geodetic datum of any permanent sampling point;
- d. The elevation of groundwater in any permanent monitoring well relative to the surveyed elevations;
- e. A site map or maps showing the location of all sampling points;
- f. The depth of the screened interval and the length of screened interval for any permanent monitoring well;
- g. PDF copies of boring logs; and
- h. PDF copies of all reports, workplan and other documents (the document, in its entirety [signature pages, text, figures, tables, etc.] must be saved to a single PDF file) including the signed transmittal letter and professional certification by a California Licensed Civil Engineer or a Registered Geologist.
- 7. Upon request, monitoring results shall also be provided electronically in Microsoft Excel® to allow for ease of review of site data, and to facilitate data computations and/or plotting that Regional Water Board staff may undertake during the review

process. Data tables submitted in electronic spreadsheet format will not be included in the case of file review and should therefore be submitted on CD and included with the hard copy of the report. Electronic tables shall include the following information:

- a. Well designations;
- b. Well location coordinates (latitude and longitude);
- c. Well construction (including top of well casing elevation, total well depth, screen interval depth below ground surface, screen interval elevation, and a characterization of geology of subsurface the well is located in);
- d. Groundwater depths and elevations (water levels);
- e. Current analytical results by constituent of concern (including detection limits for each constituent);
- f. Historical analytical results (including the past five years unless otherwise requested); and
- g. Measurement dates.

Copies of all correspondence, reports, and documents pertaining to compliance with the Prohibitions, Specifications, and Provisions of this Order related to surface impoundments and solid waste units, submitted by the Discharger, shall also be provided to the Contra Costa County Hazardous Materials Program.

8. Self-Monitoring Program: The Discharger shall comply with the SMP attached to this Order (Part A and Part B). The SMP is intended to constitute both a DMP and a Corrective Action Monitoring Program pursuant to Title 27, sections 20420 and 20430 and is designed to identify significant water quality impacts from the specified WMU and demonstrate compliance with the WQPS established pursuant to Title 27, Section 20390 for the WMU. The SMP may be amended as necessary at the discretion of the Executive Officer.

# **COMPLIANCE DATE: Immediately**

9. <u>Revision of the Self-Monitoring Program</u>: The Discharger shall submit a plan for the revision of the monitoring locations, parameters, frequency and MACLs contained within the SMP attached to this Order (Part B).

# **COMPLIANCE DATE: December 15, 2011.**

- 10. <u>Contaminated Soil Management Plan:</u> Chevron shall continue to implement the plan, dated August 26, 2008, for managing non-hazardous contaminated soil discovered on refinery property during subsurface investigation or excavation work. This plan includes descriptions of soil sampling, storage, and handling protocols and criteria for reusing non-hazardous contaminated soil within the refinery impacted soils.
- 11. <u>Final Closure Plan for #1 Oxidation Pond Passes 2 through 5:</u> Chevron shall continue to implement the No. 1 Oxidation Closure Plan, approved by the Regional Water

Board on April 30, 2009. The Plan proposed a final cover system for petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soil in passes 2 through 5 of #1 Oxidation Pond. Chevron shall submit a final plan documenting the completion of this work.

## **COMPLIANCE DATE: December 15, 2011**

12. Report of Waste Discharge: The Discharger shall submit a technical report, acceptable to the Executive Officer, describing any proposed material change in the character, location, or volume of a discharge, or in the event of a proposed change in use or development of a WMU or landfill (CWC Section 13260(c)). The technical report shall describe the project, identify key changes to the design that may impact any portion of the WMU or landfill, and specify components of the design necessary to maintain integrity of the WMU or landfill cover and prevent water quality impacts.

## **COMPLIANCE DATE: 120 days prior to any material change**

13. <u>Financial Assurance</u>: The Discharger shall submit to the Regional Water Board evidence of an irrevocable Post-closure Fund acceptable to the Executive Officer, to ensure monitoring, maintenance, and any necessary remediation actions. Every five years, for the duration of the post-closure monitoring period, the Discharger shall submit a report that includes an outline of the financial assurance mechanism and verification that the fund has been created. The fund value shall be supported by calculations, to be included with this submittal, providing cost estimates for all post-closure monitoring, maintenance, repair and replacement of WMU or landfill containment, cover, and monitoring systems.

Additionally, cost estimates must be provided for corrective action for known or reasonable foreseeable releases that may be required for all WMUs at the facility. The fund value shall be based on the sum of these estimates. The cost estimates and funding shall be updated to reflect change to monitoring systems as they occur. The post-closure maintenance period shall extend as long as the wastes within the WMU pose a threat to water quality.

# **COMPLIANCE DATE: Submitted with the 2015 Annual Report then every five years thereafter.**

- 14. <u>Availability</u>: A copy of these WDRs shall be maintained by the Discharger and shall be made available by the Discharger to all employees or contractors performing work (maintenance, monitoring, repair, construction, etc.) at WMUs or groundwater containment systems. (CWC Section 13263)
- 15. <u>Change in Ownership</u>: In the event of any change in control or ownership of the facility presently owned or controlled by the Discharger, the Discharger shall notify the succeeding owner or operator of the existence of this Order by letter, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Regional Water Board upon a final change in ownership. To assume operation of this Order, the succeeding owner or operator must

apply in writing to the Executive Officer requesting transfer of this Order within 30 days of the change of ownership. The request must contain the requesting entity's full legal name, mailing address, electronic address, and telephone number of the persons responsible for contact with the Regional Water Board. Failure to submit the request shall be considered a discharge without requirements, a violation of the CWC. (CWC Sections 13267 and 13263)

# COMPLIANCE DATE: 30 days after a change in facility control or ownership

- 16. <u>Revision</u>: This Order is subject to Regional Water Board review and updating, as necessary, to comply with changing State or federal laws, regulations, policies, or guidelines; changes in the Basin Plan; or changes in discharge characteristics. The Regional Water Board will review this Order periodically and may revise its requirements when necessary. (CWC Section 13263).
- 17. <u>Submittal Revisions</u>: Where a Discharger becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a Report of Waste Discharge or submitted incorrect information in a Report of Waste Discharge or in any report to the Regional Water Board, it shall promptly submit such facts or information. (CWC Sections 13260 and 13267)
- 18. <u>Vested Rights</u>: This Order does not convey any property rights of any sort or any exclusive privileges. The requirements prescribed herein do not authorize the commission of any act causing injury to persons or property, do not protect the Discharger from liability under federal, State or local laws, nor do they create a vested right for the Discharger to continue the waste discharge. (CWC Section 13263(g))
- 19. <u>Severability</u>: Provisions of these WDRs are severable. If any provisions of these WDRs are found invalid, the remainder of these WDRs shall not be affected. (CWC 9213)
- 20. Operation and Maintenance: The Discharger shall, at all times, properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) that are installed or used by the Discharger to achieve compliance with conditions of this Order. Proper operation and maintenance includes effective performance, adequate funding, adequate operator staffing and training, and adequate laboratory and process controls including appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems only when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of this Order. (CWC Section 13263(f))
- 20. <u>Reporting of Hazardous Substance Release</u>: If any hazardous substance is discharged in or on any waters of the State, or discharged or deposited where it probably will be discharged in or on any waters of the State, the Discharger shall:
  - a. Report such discharge to the following:

- i. The Regional Water Board by calling (510) 622-2300 during regular office hours
  - (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. 5 p.m.); and to
- ii. The California Emergency Management Agency (CAL EMA) at (800) 852-7550.
- b. A written report shall be filed with the Regional Water Board within five working days.

The report shall describe:

- i. The nature of the waste or pollutant.
- ii. The estimated quantity involved.
- iii. The duration of the incident.
- iv. The cause of the release.
- v. The estimated size of the affected area, and nature of the effect.
- vi. The corrective actions taken or planned, and a schedule of those measures.
- vii. The persons/agencies notified.

This reporting is in addition to reporting to CAL EMA that is required pursuant to the Health and Safety Code.

- 21. Reporting Releases: Except for a discharge that is in compliance with these WDRs, any person who, without regard to intent or negligence, causes or permits any hazardous substance or sewage to be discharged in or on any waters of the State, or discharged or deposited where it is, or probably will be, discharged in or on any waters of the State, shall immediately notify CAL EMA of the discharge in accordance with the spill reporting provision of the State toxic disaster contingency plan adopted pursuant to Article 3.7 (commencing with Section 8574.7) of Chapter 7 of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code, and immediately notify the Regional Water Board of the discharge as soon as:
  - a. That person has knowledge of the discharge;
  - b. Notification is possible; and
  - c. Notification can be provided without substantially impeding cleanup or other emergency measures.

This provision does not require reporting of any discharge of less than a reportable quantity as provided for under subdivisions (f) and (g) of CWC Section 13271 unless the Discharger is in violation of a prohibition in the Basin Plan. [CWC Section 13271(a)]

22. <u>Release Reporting Requirements</u>: In the case of a release defined above the following must be provided to the Regional Water Board within five days of knowledge of the release;

- a. Site map illustrating location and approximate size of impacted area;
- b. Photographs of the impacted area before and after remediation; and
- c. A report detailing the remediation method chosen and its efficacy, and illustrating that the release contingency plan was effective, or else proposing modifications to the contingency plan to increase its effectiveness.
- 23. Endangerment of Health or the Environment: The Discharger shall report any noncompliance that may endanger human health or the environment. Any such information shall be provided orally to the Executive Officer, or authorized representative, within 24 hours from the time the Discharger becomes aware of the circumstances. A written submission shall also be provided within five days of the time the Discharger becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain:
  - a. A description of the noncompliance, and its cause;
  - b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected;
  - c. The anticipated time it is expected to continue and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.

The Executive Officer, or an authorized representative, may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis if the oral report has been received within 24 hours [CWC sections 13263 and 13267]. The following occurrences must be reported to the Executive Officer within 24 hours:

- a. Any bypass from any portion of the treatment facility;
- b. Any discharge of industrial products, or treated or untreated wastewater; and
- c. Any treatment plant upset that causes the discharge limitation(s) of this Order to be exceeded [CWC sections 13263 and 13267].
- 24. <u>Entry and Inspection</u>: The Discharger shall allow the Regional Water Board, or an authorized representative upon the presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:
  - a. Enter upon the Discharger's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this Order:
  - b. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this Order;
  - c. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this Order: and
  - d. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring compliance with this order or as otherwise authorized by the CWC, any substances or parameters at any location. (CWC Section 13267)

- 25. <u>Discharges to Navigable Waters</u>: Any person discharging or proposing to discharge to navigable waters from a point source (except for discharge of dredged or fill material subject to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and discharge subject to a general NPDES permit) must file an NPDES permit application with the Regional Water Board. (CCR Title 2 Section 22357)
- 26. <u>Change in Discharge</u>: In the event of a material change in the character, location, or volume of a discharge, the Discharger shall file with this Regional Water Board a new Report of Waste Discharge. (CWC Section 13260). A material change includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - a. Addition of a major industrial waste discharge to discharge of essentially domestic sewage, or the addition of a new process or product by an industrial facility resulting in a change in the character of the waste;
  - b. Significant change in disposal method, e.g., change from a land disposal to a direct discharge to water, or change in the method of treatment which would significantly alter the characteristics of the waste;
  - c. Significant change in the disposal area, e.g., moving the discharge to another drainage area, to a different water body, or to a disposal area significantly removed from the original area potentially causing different water quality or nuisance problems;
  - d. Increase in flow beyond that specified in the WDRs; or
  - e. Increase in area or depth to be used for solid waste disposal beyond that specified in the WDRs. (CCR Title 23 Section 2210)
- 27. Monitoring Devices: All monitoring instruments and devices used by the Discharger to fulfill the prescribed monitoring program shall be properly maintained and calibrated as necessary to ensure their continued accuracy. All flow measurement devices shall be calibrated at least once per year, or more frequently, to ensure continued accuracy of the devices. Annually, the Discharger shall submit to the Executive Officer a written statement signed by a registered professional engineer certifying that all flow measurement devices have been calibrated and will reliably achieve the accuracy required.

Unless otherwise permitted by the Executive Officer, all analyses shall be conducted at a laboratory certified for such analyses by the State Department of Public Health. The Executive Officer may allow use of an uncertified laboratory under exceptional circumstances, such as when the closest laboratory to the monitoring location is outside State boundaries and therefore not subject to certification. All analyses shall be required to be conducted in accordance with the latest edition of "Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for Analysis of Pollutants" (40 CFR Part 136) promulgated by U.S. EPA. (CCR Title 23, Section 2230)

- 28. <u>Treatment</u>: In an enforcement action, it shall not be a defense for the Discharger that it would have been necessary to halt or to reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with this Order. Upon reduction, loss, or failure of the treatment facility, the Discharger shall, to the extent necessary to maintain compliance with this Order, control production or all discharges, or both, until the facility is restored or an alternative method of treatment is provided. This provision applies, for example, when the primary source of power of the treatment facility fails, is reduced, or is lost. (CWC Section 13263(f)).
- 29. <u>Document Distribution</u>: Copies of correspondence, technical reports, and other documents pertaining to compliance with this Order shall be provided to the following agencies:
  - a. Regional Water Board (all submittals);
  - b. Department of Toxic Substances Control (all submittals); and
  - c. Contra Costa Health Services, Hazardous Materials Programs (Soils Management Plan only).

The Executive Officer may modify this distribution list as needed.

- 30. <u>General Prohibition</u>: Neither the treatment nor the discharge of waste shall create a pollution, contamination or nuisance, as defined by Section 13050 of the CWC. (H&SC Section 5411, CWC Section 13263)
- 31. <u>Earthquake Inspection</u>: The Discharger shall submit a detailed Post Earthquake Inspection Report acceptable to the Executive Officer, in the event of any earthquake generating ground shaking of Richter Magnitude 7 or greater at or within 30 miles of the refinery. The report shall describe the containment features, groundwater monitoring, and control facilities potentially impacted by the static and seismic deformations of any WMU or groundwater containment system. Damage to any waste containment facility, which may impact State waters, must be reported immediately to the Executive Officer.

COMPLIANCE DATE: Verbally as soon as the data becomes available and in writing within 72 hours of a triggering seismic event. Any damage that may cause negative impacts to waters of the State must be reported immediately upon discovery to the Spill Hotline at 1-800-852-7550 and by sending an email to <a href="mailto:Rb2SpillReports@waterboards.ca.gov">Rb2SpillReports@waterboards.ca.gov</a>

32. <u>Maintenance of Records</u>: The Discharger shall retain records of all monitoring information including all calibration and maintenance records, all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this Order, and records of all data used to complete the application for this order. Records shall be maintained for a minimum of five years from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or application. This period may be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding this discharge or when requested by the Executive Officer. Records of monitoring information shall include:

- a. The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
- b. The individuals who performed the sampling or measurements;
- c. The date(s) analyses were performed;
- d. The individuals who performed the analyses;
- e. The analytical techniques or method used; and
- f. The results of such analyses.
- 33. This Order supersedes and rescinds Order No. 00-043.
- 34. This Order is subject to Regional Water Board review and updating, as necessary, to comply with changing State or federal laws, regulations or policies, or guidelines; changes in the Regional Water Board's Basin Plan; or changes in discharge characteristics.
  - I, Bruce H. Wolfe, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, complete, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, on

Bruce H. Wolfe Executive Officer

#### Attachments:

Self-Monitoring and Reporting Program, Part A and B

Figure 1 - Location Map

Figure 2 - Regional Site Map with Geomorphic Boundaries

Figure 3 - Sector Boundaries

Figure 4 - Groundwater Protection System Location Map

Figure 5 - Plant 1 / Additives Plant Cap

Figure 6 - Pollard Sector

Figure 7 - Alkane Sector

Figure 8 - Landfarm/Landfill Sector

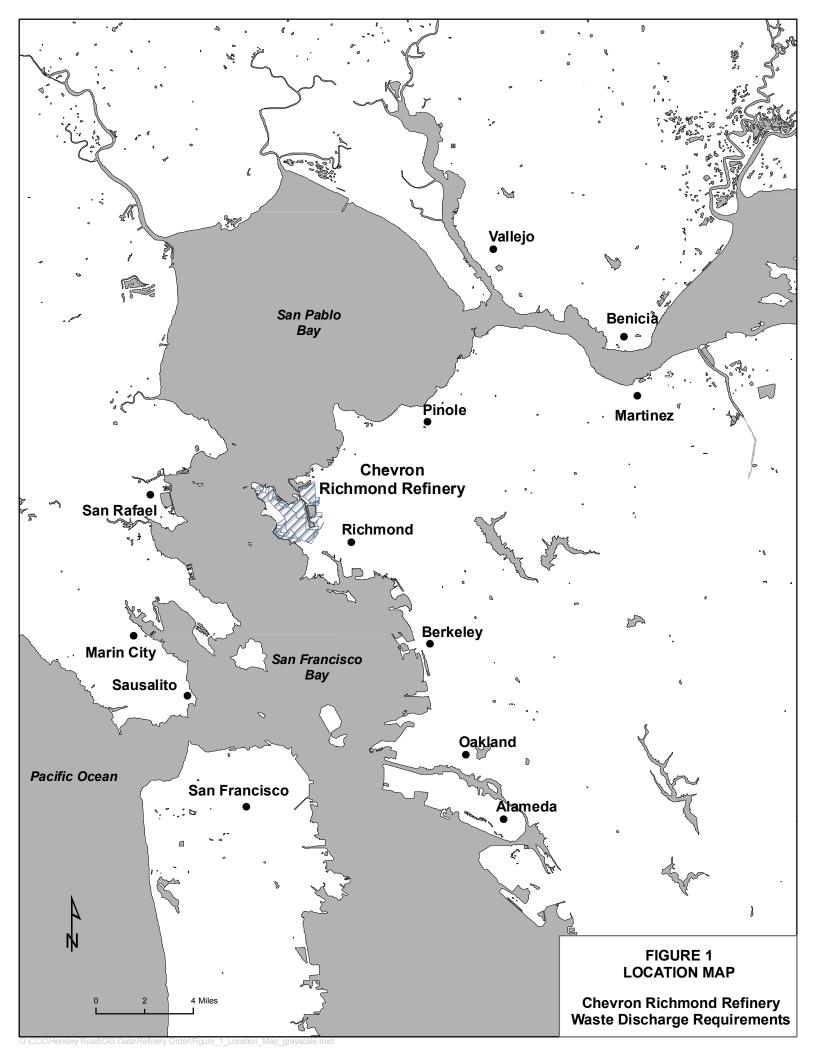
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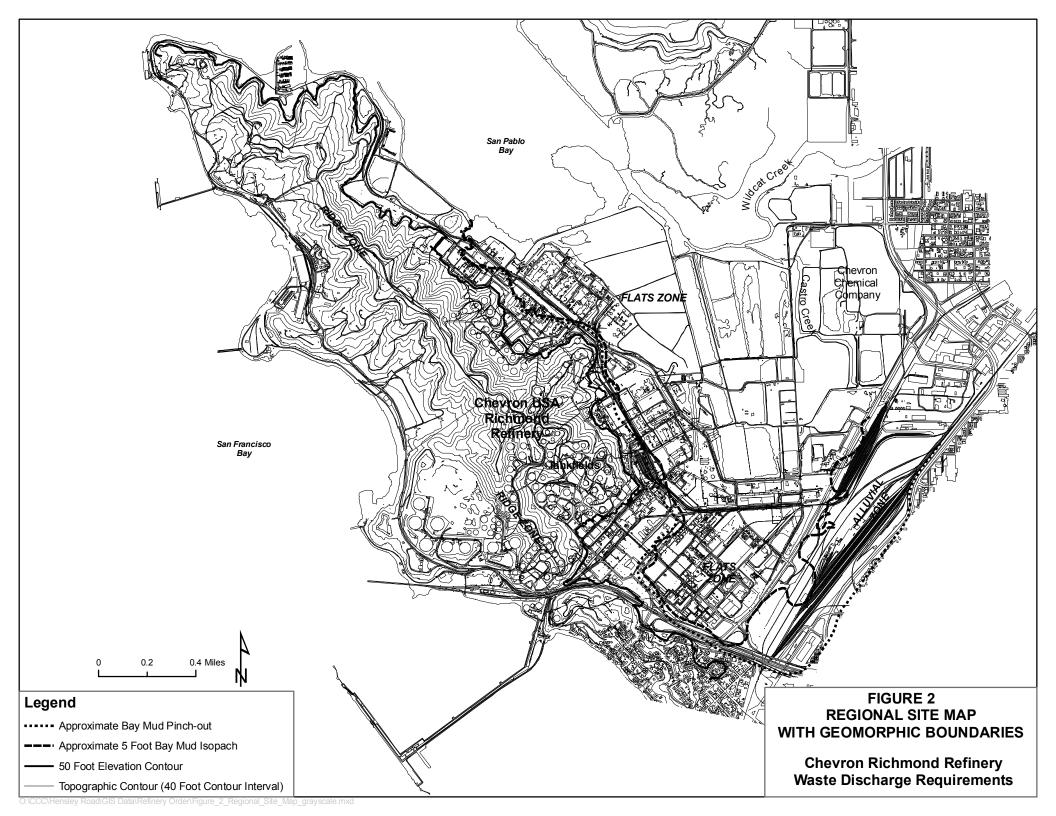
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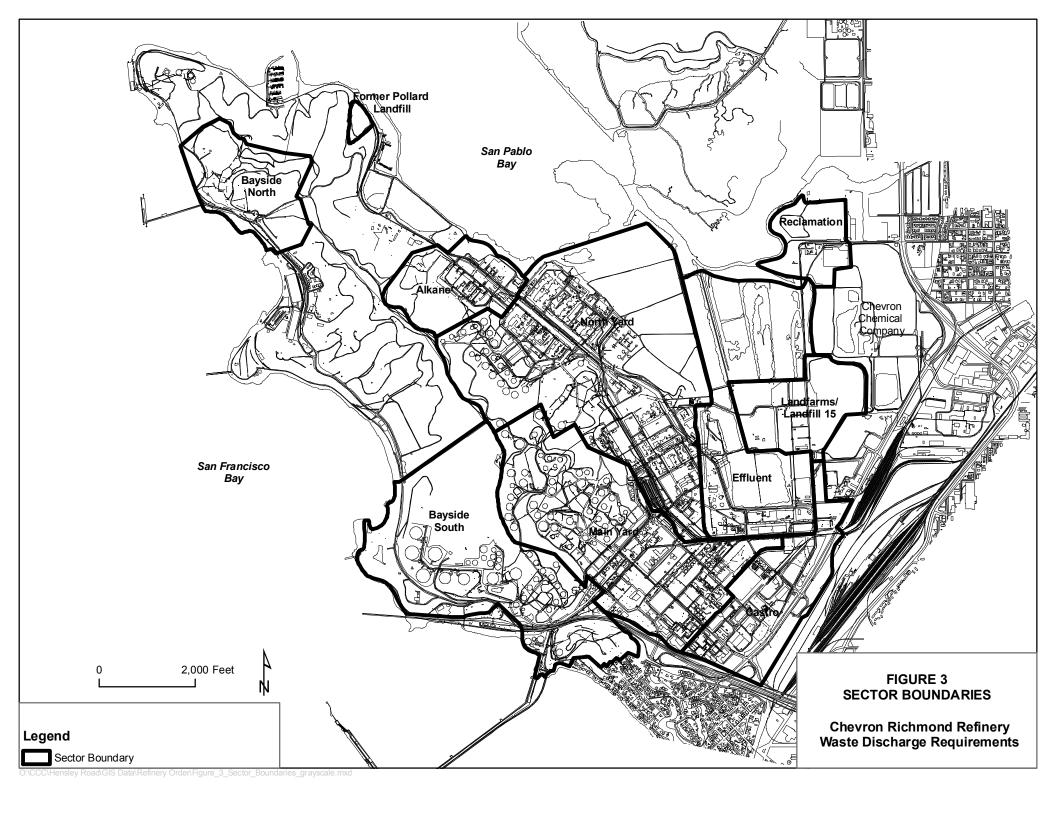
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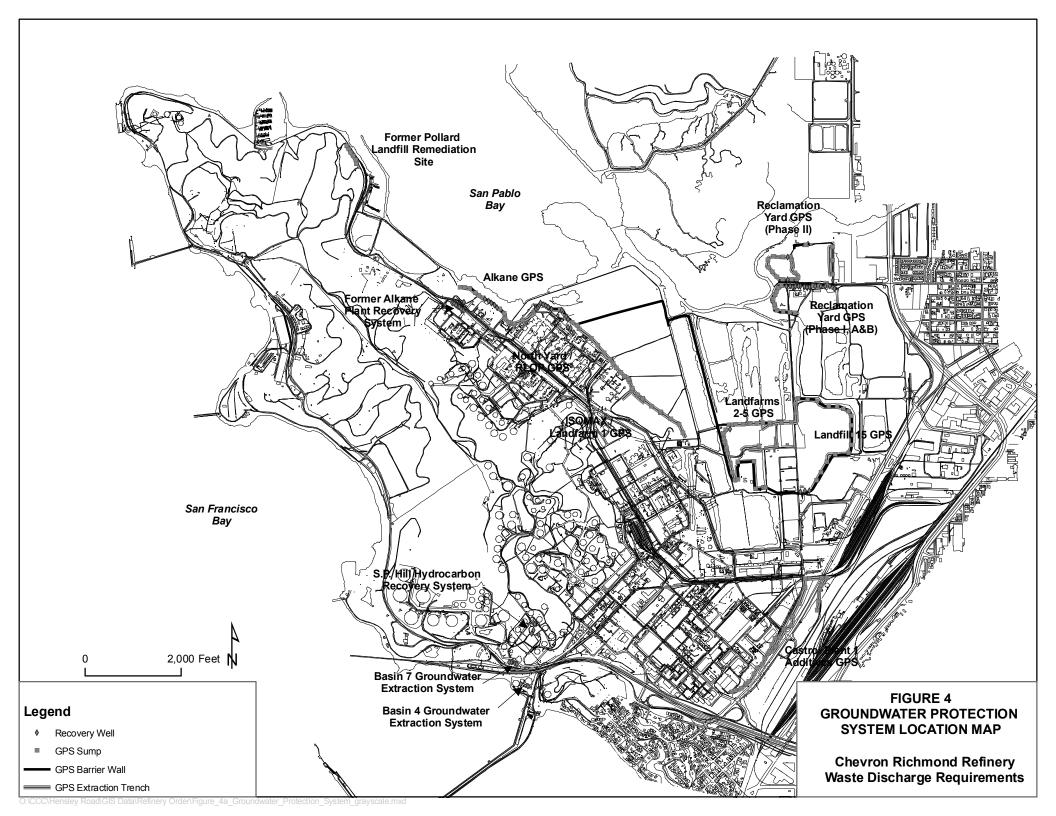
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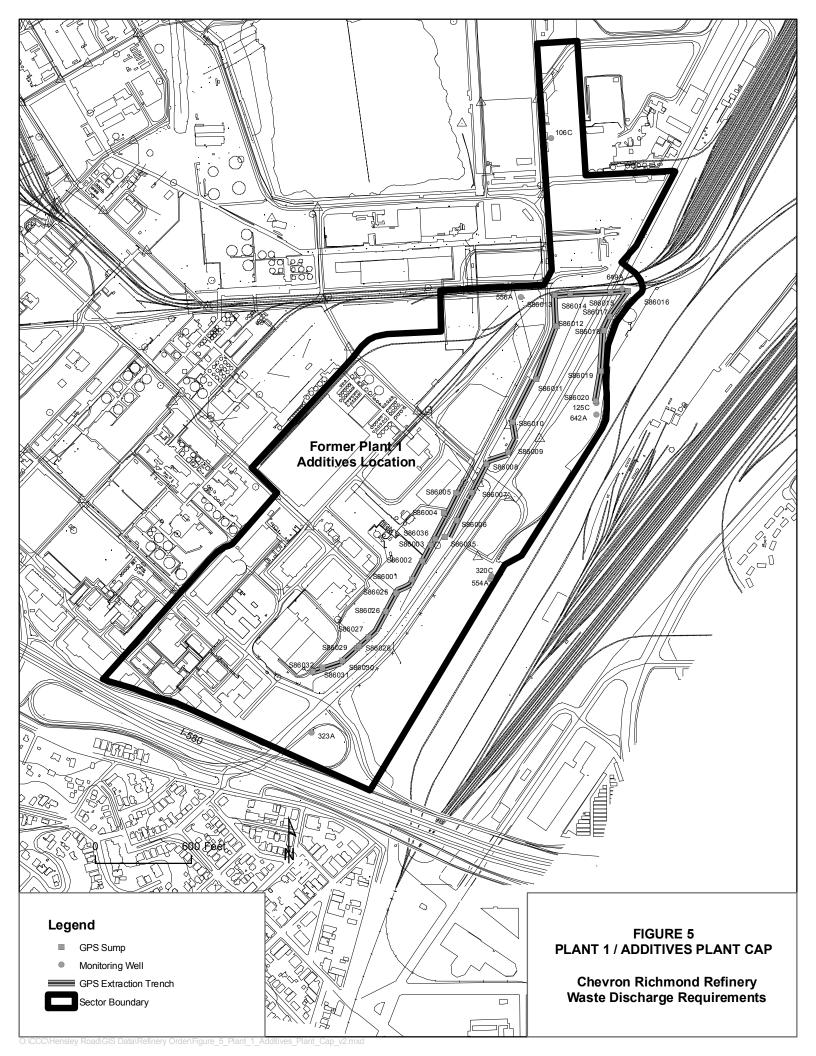
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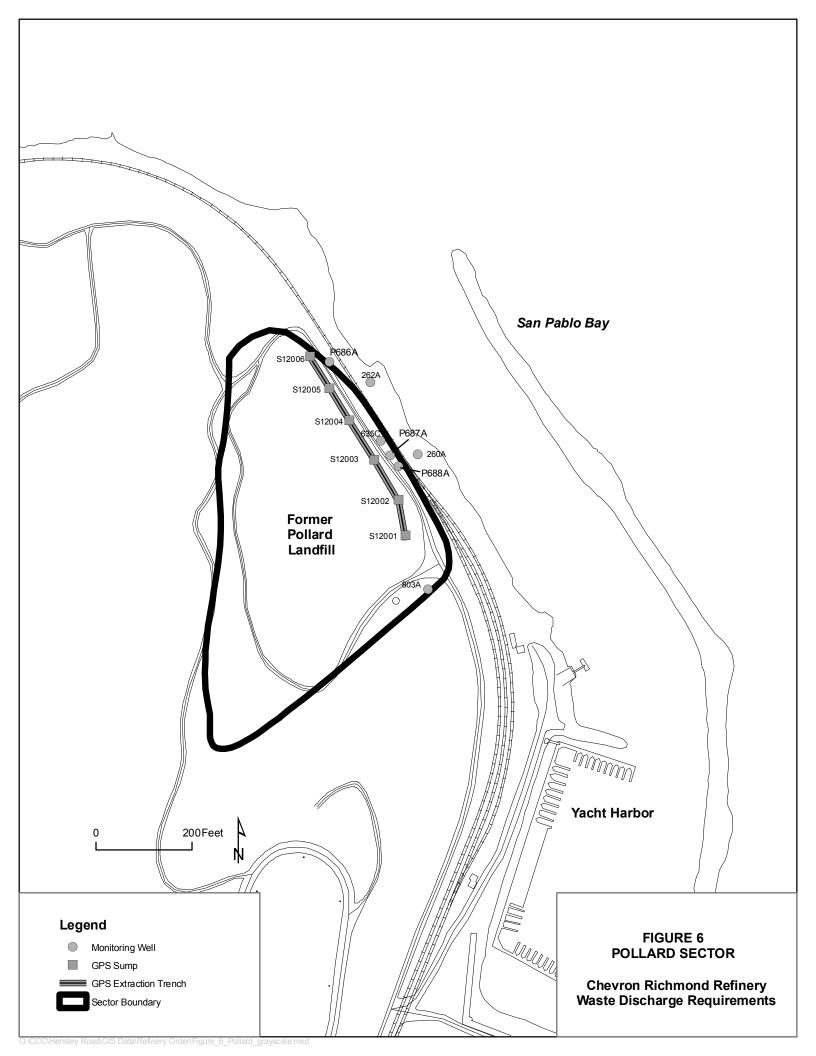


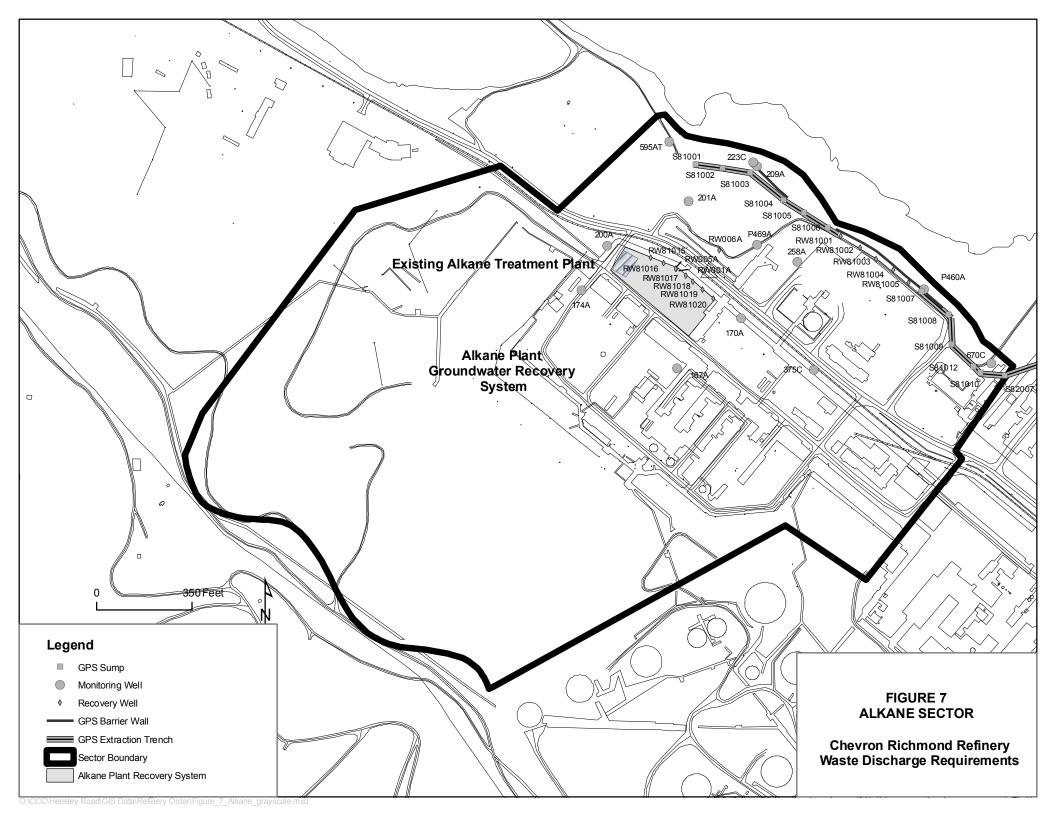


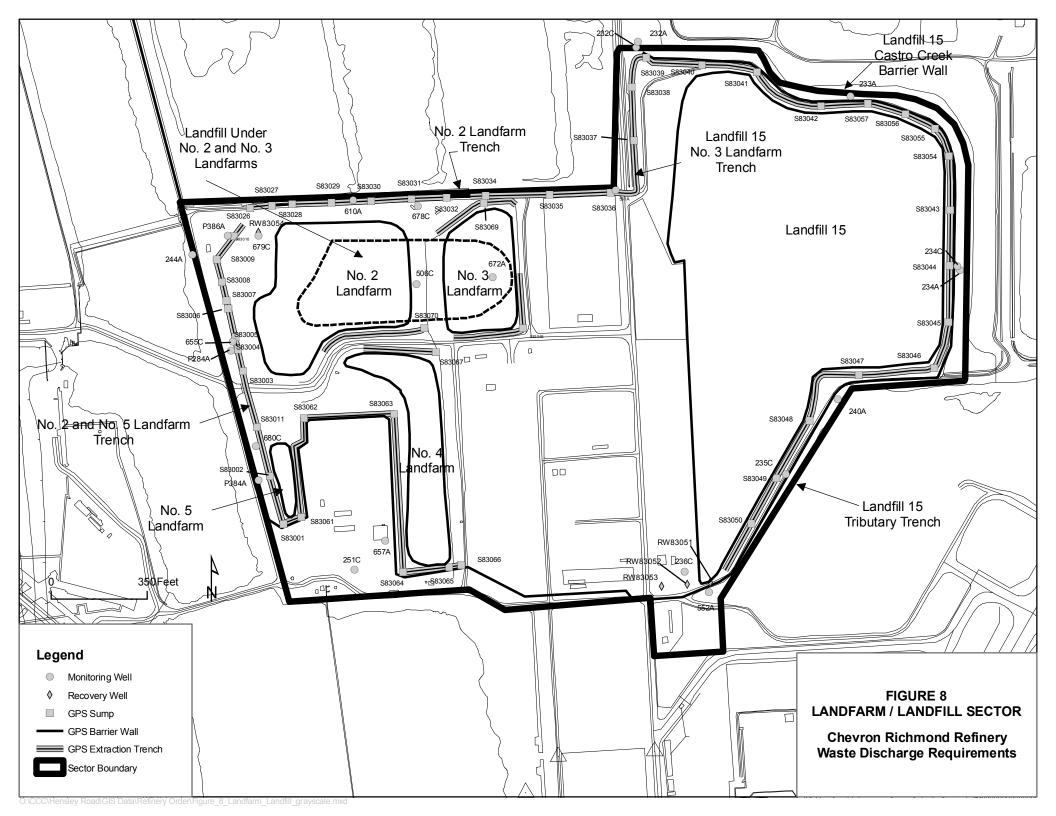


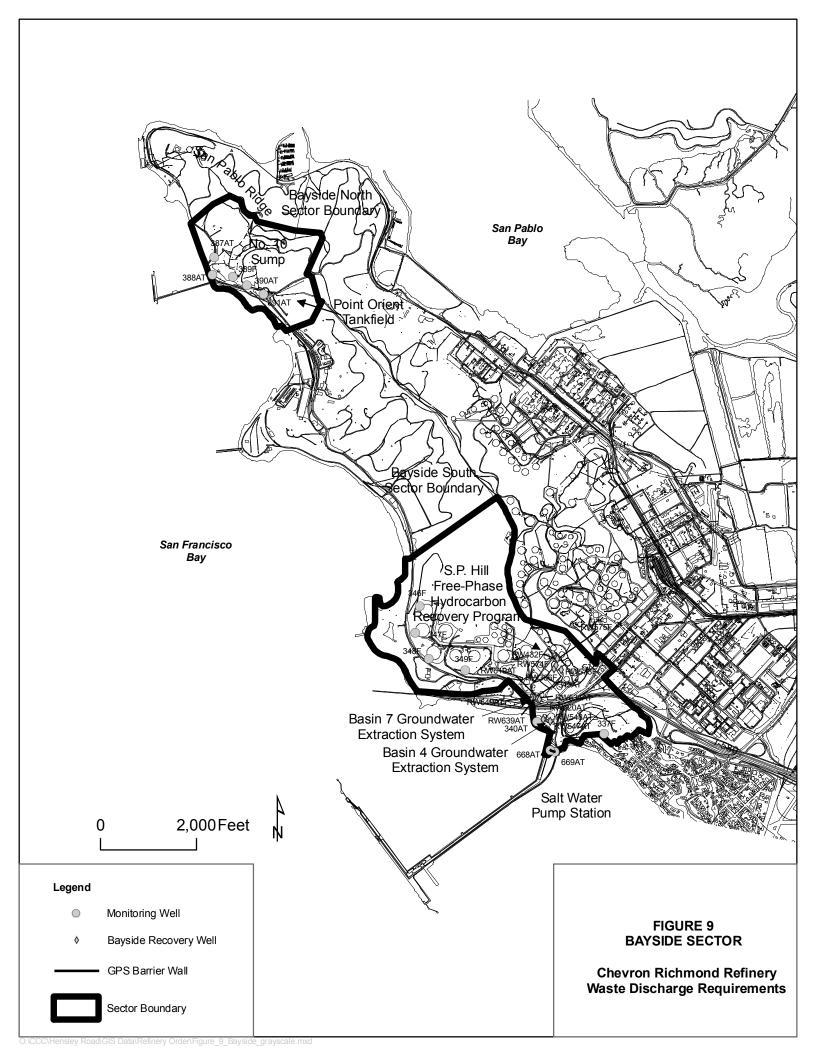


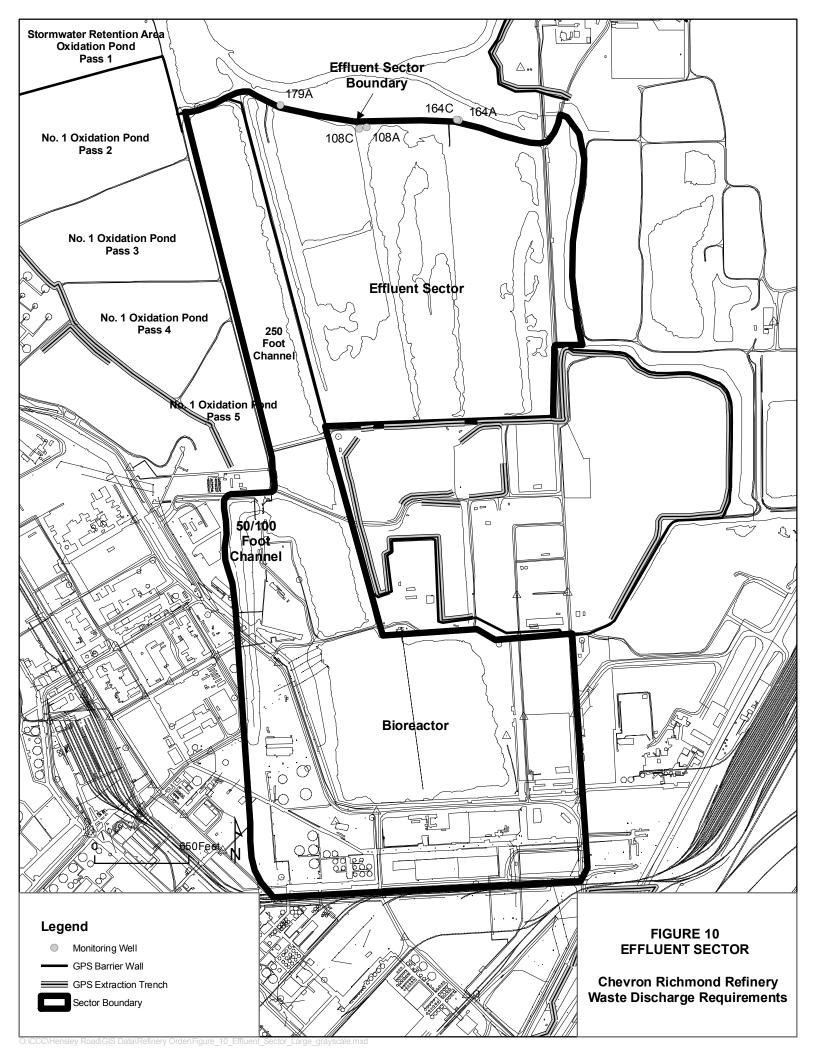


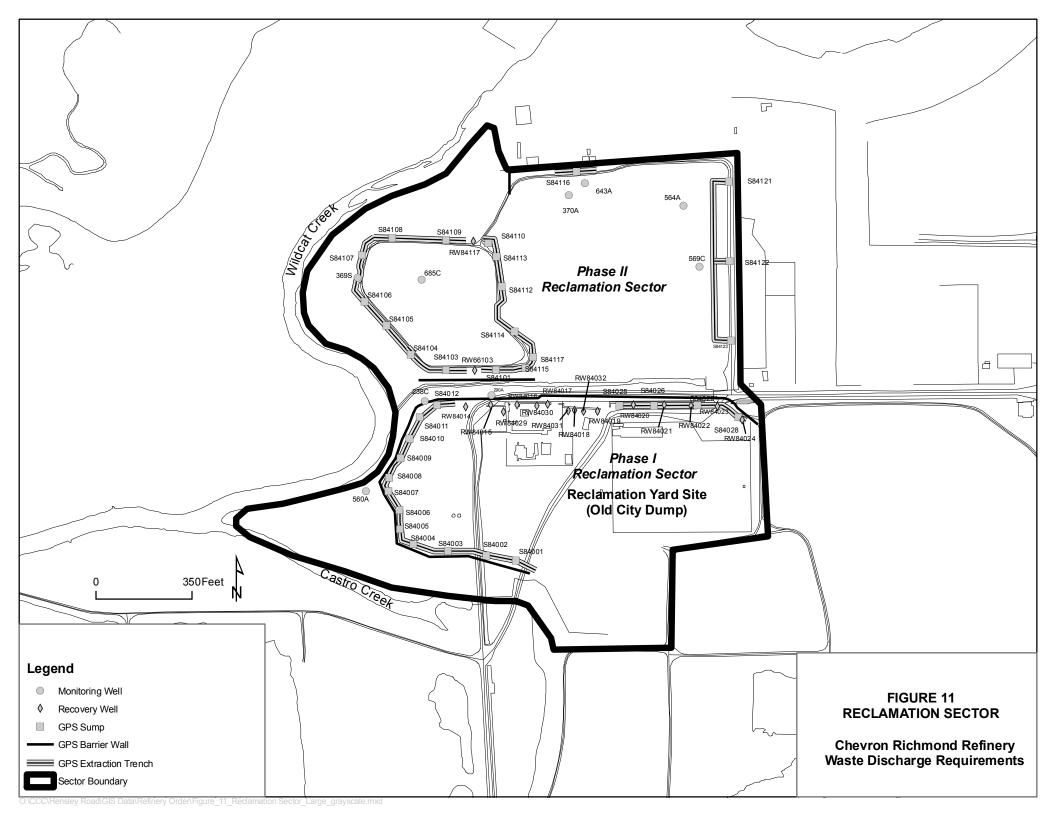


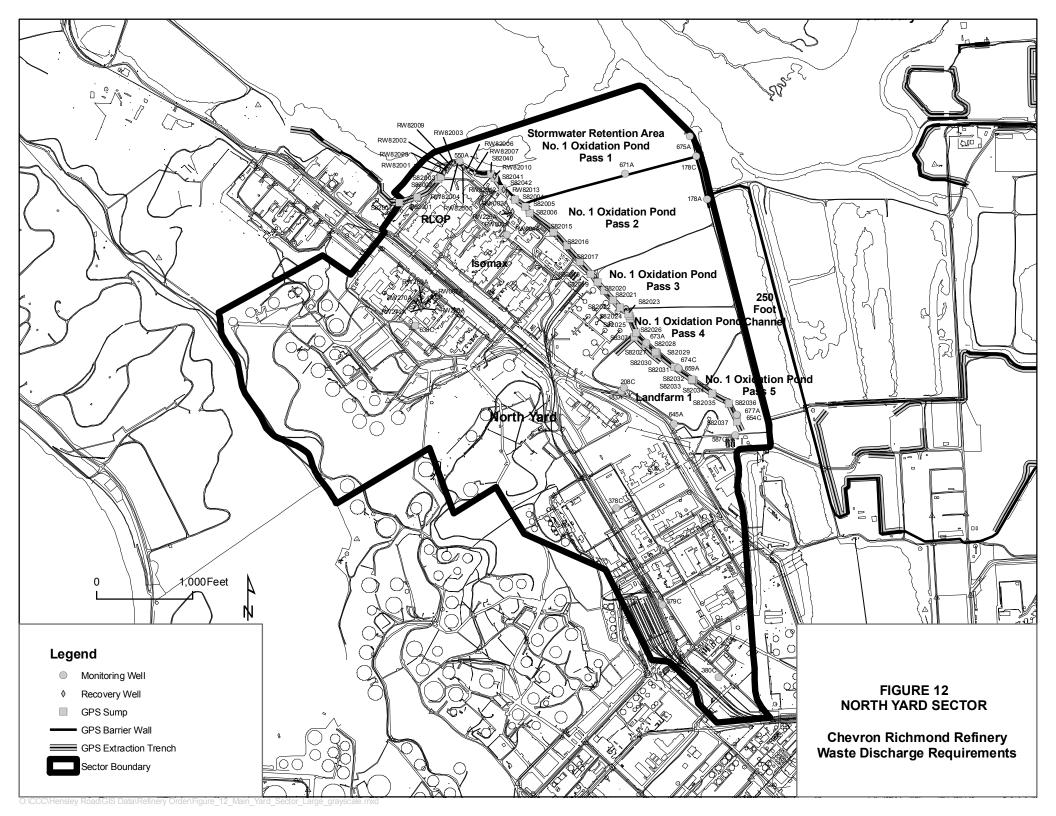


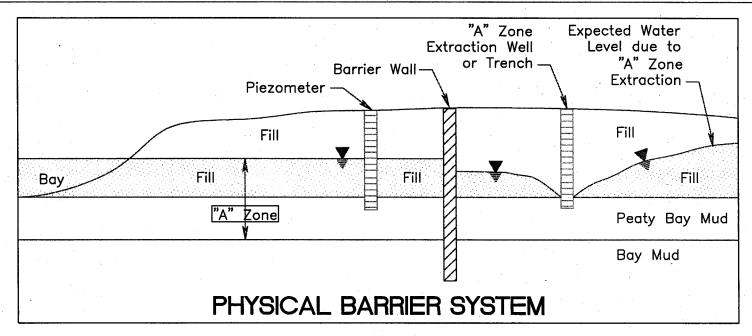


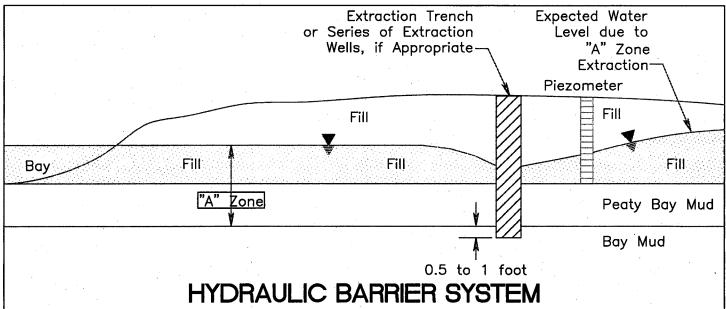












# **GROUNDWATER PROTECTION SYSTEM**

Chevron Richmond Refinery Waste Discharge Requirements

# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

# SELF-MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM

# **FOR**

# CHEVRON PRODUCTS COMPANY CHEVRON RICHMOND REFINERY

**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY** 

CONSISTS OF PART A AND PART B

#### PART A

This combined Self-Monitoring Program (SMP) specifies monitoring and reporting programs necessary to fulfill obligations under the Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and Site Cleanup Requirements (SCRs), including:

- a) General monitoring requirements for landfills and waste management units under the WDRs (Part A);
- b) General monitoring requirements related to cleanup activities performed under the SCRs (Part A);
- c) Self-monitoring report content and format (Part A);
- d) Self-monitoring report submittal frequency and schedule (Part B);
- e) Monitoring locations, parameters, analytes and frequency for programs under the WDRs (Part B); and
- f) Monitoring locations, parameters, analytes and frequency for programs under the SCRs (Part B).

# A. AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

For discharges of waste to land, water quality monitoring is required pursuant to the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Division 2, Title 27, Subdivision 1, Chapter 3, Subchapter 3, sections 20380 through 20435. The principal purposes of an SMP include: 1) to document compliance with WDRs and prohibitions established by the Regional Water Board, 2) to facilitate self-policing by the discharger in the prevention and abatement of pollution arising from the waste discharge, 3) to develop or assist in the development of effluent standards of performance and toxicity standards, and 4) to assist the discharger in complying with the requirements of Title 27. Additionally, under California Water Code (CWC) Section 13304, Chevron is required to implement corrective actions and monitor the effectiveness of the implemented corrective actions under this combined SMP.

# **B. MONITORING REQUIREMENTS**

Monitoring refers to the observation, inspection, measurement, and/or sampling of environmental media, waste management units (WMUs), containment and control facilities, and waste disposed in each WMU. The monitoring programs designed to evaluate the potential release of wastes from WMUs are included in the WDRs Monitoring Program described in this combined SMP. Monitoring programs designed to evaluate the effectiveness of corrective actions implemented under CWC Section 13304 are also described in the combined SMP. The following defines the types of monitoring that may be required.

# Monitoring of Environmental Media

The Regional Water Board may require monitoring of groundwater, surface water, vadose zone, stormwater, leachate, and any other environmental media that may pose a threat to water quality or provide an indication of a water quality threat at the refinery.

Sample collection, storage, and analyses shall be performed according to the most recent version of U.S. EPA-approved methods or in accordance with Groundwater Monitoring Program Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) or subsequent revisions approved by Regional Water Board staff. Analytical testing of environmental media required by this SMP shall be performed by a

California State-approved laboratory for the required analyses. The director of the laboratory whose name appears on the certification shall be responsible for supervising all analytical work in his/her laboratory and shall have signing authority for all laboratory data reports or may designate signing of all such data included in reports submitted to the Regional Water Board.

All monitoring instruments and devices used to conduct monitoring in accordance with this SMP shall be maintained and calibrated as necessary to ensure their continued accuracy. All flow measurement devices shall be calibrated at least once every two years.

Receiving waters refer to any surface water which actually or potentially receives surface or groundwater that pass over, through, or under waste materials or impacted soils. In this case, the groundwater beneath and adjacent to the WMU areas and the surface runoff from the refinery site are considered receiving waters.

#### **Standard Observations**

Standard observations refer to observations within the limits of each WMU, at their perimeter, and of the receiving waters beyond their limits. Standard observations include:

#### 1. Waste Management Units:

- a. Evidence of ponded water at any point on the WMU;
- b. Evidence of odors, including their presence or absence, characterization, source, and distance of travel from source; and
- c. Evidence of erosion and/or daylighted waste.

# 2. Perimeter of Waste Management Units:

- a. Evidence of liquid leaving or entering the WMU, estimated size of affected area and flow rate (show affected area on map);
- b. Evidence of odors, including their presence or absence, characterization, source, and distance of travel from source; and
- c. Evidence of erosion and/or daylighted waste.

#### 3. Receiving Waters:

- a. Floating and suspended materials of waste origin, including their presence or absence, source, and size of affected area;
- b. Discoloration and turbidity: description of color, source, and size of affected area;
- c. Evidence of odors, presence or absence, characterization, source, and distance of travel form source:
- d. Evidence of beneficial use, such as presence of water associated with wildlife;
- e. Estimated flow rate; and
- f. Weather conditions, such as estimated wind direction and velocity, total precipitation.

# **Facilities Inspections**

Facilities inspections refer to the inspection of all containment and control structures and devices associated with the environmental monitoring of the refinery. Containment and control facilities may include the following:

- 1. Intermediate and final covers; and
- 2. Storm-water management system elements such as perimeter drainage and diversion channels, ditches and downchutes, and detention and sedimentation ponds or collection tanks;

# Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) Sample Monitoring

Chevron shall collect duplicate, field blank, equipment blank (if appropriate) and trip blank samples for each monitoring event at the frequency specified in the latest version of the Groundwater Monitoring Program SOP.

# C. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Reporting responsibilities of waste dischargers under WDRs and SCRs are specified in CWC sections 13225(a), 13267(b), 13383, and 13387(b) and this Regional Water Board's Resolution No.73-16 and Title 27. At a minimum, each Self-Monitoring Report (SMR) shall include the following information:

- 1. <u>Transmittal Letter</u>: A cover letter transmitting the essential points of the monitoring report shall be included with each monitoring report. The transmittal letter shall discuss any violations during the reporting period and actions taken or planned to correct the problem. The letter shall also certify the completion of all monitoring requirements. The letter shall be signed by the Discharger's principal executive officer or his/her duly authorized representative, and shall include a statement by the official, under penalty of perjury, that the report is true and correct to the best of the official's knowledge.
- 2. <u>Graphic Presentation</u>: The following maps, figures, and graphs (if applicable) shall be included in each SMR to visually present data collected pursuant to this SMP:
  - a. Plan-view maps showing all monitoring and sampling locations, WMUs, containment and control structures, treatment facilities, surface water bodies, and site/property boundaries;
  - b. Groundwater level/piezometric surface contour maps for each groundwater-bearing zone of interest showing inferred groundwater gradients and flow directions under/around each WMU, based upon the past and present water level elevations and pertinent visual observations; and
  - c. Any other maps, figures, photographs, cross-sections, graphs, and charts necessary to visually demonstrate the appropriateness and effectiveness of sampling, monitoring, characterization, investigation, or remediation activities relative to the goals of this SMP.
- 3. <u>Tabular Presentation</u>: The following data (if applicable) shall be presented in tabular form and included in each SMR to show a chronological history and allow quick and easy reference:
  - a. Well designation;
  - b. Well location coordinates (latitude and longitude);
  - c. Well construction (including top of well casing elevation, total well depth, screen interval depth below ground surface, and screen interval elevation);
  - d. Groundwater depths;
  - e. Groundwater elevations;
  - f. Current analytical results (including analytical method and detection limits for each constituent);

- g. Historical analytical results (including at least the past five years in the annual report unless otherwise requested); and
- h. Measurement dates.

# 4. Compliance Evaluation Summary and Discussion:

- a. A summary and certification of completion of all environmental media monitoring, standard observations, and facilities inspections;
- b. The quantity and types of wastes captured by the GPS and hydrocarbon recovery program, and the location these wastes were disposed of during the reporting period, if applicable;
- c. A description of the waste stream, if applicable;
- d. The signature of the laboratory director or his/her designee in laboratory data deliverables indicating that he/she has supervised all analytical work in his/her laboratory; and
- e. A discussion of the field and laboratory results that includes the following information:
  - (1) Data interpretations (including of trends, especially in the context of potential correlation to the modified waste acceptance criteria);
  - (2) Conclusions;
  - (3) Recommendations;
  - (4) Newly implemented or planned investigations and remedial measures;
  - (5) Data anomalies;
  - (6) Variations from protocols;
  - (7) Condition of wells; and
  - (8) Effectiveness of leachate monitoring and control facilities.
- 5. <u>Appendices</u>: The following information shall be provided as appendices in electronic format only unless requested otherwise by Regional Water Board staff and unless the information is already contained in an SAP or SOP approved by Regional Water Board staff:
  - a. New boring and well logs;
  - b. Method and time of water level measurements;
  - c. Purging methods and results including the type of pump used, pump placement in the well, pumping rate, equipment and methods used to monitor field pH, temperature, and electrical conductivity, calibration of the field equipment, pH temperature, conductivity, and turbidity measurements, and method of disposing of the purge water;
  - d. Sampling procedures, field, equipment, and travel blanks, number and description of duplicate samples, type of sample containers and preservatives used, the date and time of sampling, the name of the person actually taking the samples, and any other relevant observations; and
  - e. Documentation of laboratory results, analytical methods, detection limits and reporting limits, and Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) procedures for the required sampling.

#### D. ANNUAL REPORTING

The Discharger shall submit an annual self-monitoring report to the Regional Water Board covering the previous calendar year. The annual report must summarize all monitoring, investigation, and remedial activities that have occurred in the previous year. The annual report shall include the following information for each monitoring event during the year required pursuant to this SMP, in addition to the transmittal letter and appendices described in Sections C.1, C.2, and C.3 of this SMP:

### 1. Graphic Presentation

Include site maps (plot plans) for each aquifer or water-bearing zone monitored that are drawn to a scale that remains constant from reporting period to reporting period. Line or bar graphs are helpful to illustrate variations in groundwater elevations, phase-separated product thickness, and dissolved chemical concentrations with time. These maps and graphs shall include the following information:

- a. Known or probable contaminant sources;
- b. Well locations;
- c. Groundwater elevation contours:
- d. Inferred groundwater flow direction(s);
- e. Identify wells containing phase-separated product;
- f. Extent of dissolved chemical constituents presented in map layout (e.g., isoconcentration maps, chemical box data maps, etc.); and
- g. Appropriate analytical results.

Geologic cross sections are required if new data is available and/or the previous interpretation of subsurface conditions has changed. When required, geologic cross sections shall include the following:

- i. Vertical and lateral extent of contamination;
- ii. Contaminant sources;
- iii. Geologic structures;
- iv. Soil lithology;
- v. Water table/piezometric surfaces;
- vi. Sample locations;
- vii. Sample analytical results; and
- viii. Subsurface utilities and any other potential natural or manmade conduits for contaminant migration.

#### 2. Tabular Presentation

Present all of the following data in one or more tables to show a chronological history and allow quick and easy reference. The table(s) shall include the following information:

- a. Well designations;
- b. Well location coordinates (latitude and longitude);
- c. Well construction (including top of well casing elevation, total well depth, screen interval depth below ground surface, and screen interval elevation);
- d. Groundwater depths;
- e. Groundwater elevations;
- f. Horizontal groundwater gradients;
- g. Vertical groundwater gradients (including comparison wells from different zones);
- h. Phase-separated product elevations;
- i. Phase-separated product thickness;
- j. Current analytical results (including analytical method and detection limits for each constituent);
- k. Historical analytical results for the most recent four sampling events;
- l. Measurement dates;
- m. Groundwater extraction, including:

- i. Average daily extraction rate;
- ii. Total volume extracted for monitoring period;
- iii. Annual cumulative total volume extracted; and
- n. Estimate of contaminant volume extracted (reported in gallons) including:
  - i. Average daily removal rate;
  - ii. Total volume removed for monitoring period;
  - iii. Annual cumulative total volume removed.

#### 3. Discussion

Provide a discussion of the field and laboratory results that includes the following information:

- a. Data Interpretations;
- b. Conclusions:
- c. Recommendations;
- d. Newly implemented or planned investigations and remedial measures;
- e. Data anomalies;
- f. Variations from protocols; and
- g. Conditions of wells.

#### E. CONTINGENGY REPORTING

- 1. The Discharger shall report any seepage from the surface of any WMU or discharge prohibited in the WDRs or SCRs immediately after it is discovered to the Regional Water Board by calling the Spill Hotline at 1-800-852-7550 and by sending an email to <a href="Rb2SpillReports@waterboards.ca.gov">Rb2SpillReports@waterboards.ca.gov</a>. The Discharger shall submit a written report with the Regional Water Board within five days of discovery of any discharge. The written report shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
  - a. A map showing the location(s) of discharge;
  - b. Approximate flow rate;
  - c. A description of the nature of the discharge; and
  - d. Corrective measures underway or proposed.
- 2. The Discharger shall submit a written report to the Regional Water Board within seven working days of determining that a statistically significant difference occurred in the sample result compared against the historical dataset and above an approved WQPS in a perimeter segment-monitoring well. In addition, evaluation of GPS performance will be reviewed to examine the effectiveness of hydraulic control.
  - a. Chevron shall immediately re-sample at the compliance point where the exceedence was observed, evaluate the result against the historical dataset and re-analyze if results are not consistent with historical trends.
  - b. If re-sampling and analysis confirm the exceedence through statistical analysis, Chevron shall document this in the text of the next Annual Report and notify the Regional Water Board in writing within 21 days of re-sampling. In this letter, Chevron shall evaluate whether any re-sampling or additional corrective measures need to be implemented.

#### F. ELECTRONIC REPORTING

# 1. Geotracker Requirements

The State Water Board has adopted regulations requiring electronic report and data submittal to Geotracker. The text of the regulations can be found at the following URL:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/ust/electronic\_submittal/index.shtml

Parties responsible for cleanup of pollution at sites overseen by the Regional Water Board's Land Disposal Programs are required to submit over the internet, the following information electronically to Geotracker:

- a. Groundwater analytical data;
- b. Surveyed locations of monitoring wells;
- c. Boring logs describing monitoring well construction; and
- d. Portable data format (PDF) copies of all reports (the document in its entirety [signature pages, text, figures, tables, etc.] must be saved as a single PDF file).

Note that the Discharger is still responsible for submitting one hard copy of all reports pursuant to this Order. The Regional Water Board may require direct submittal of electronic reports and correspondence in addition to the State Water Board's Geotracker requirements.

#### 2. Data Tables

Upon request, monitoring results shall also be provided electronically in Microsoft Excel@ or similar spreadsheet format to provide an easy to review chronological summary of site data, and to facilitate data computations and/or plotting that Water Board staff may undertake during the review process. Data tables submitted in electronic spreadsheet format will not be included in the case file for public review and should therefore be submitted on CD or diskette and included with the print report.

Electronic tables shall include the following information:

- a. Well designations;
- b. Well location coordinates (latitude and longitude);
- c. Well construction (including top of well casing elevation, total well depth, screen interval depth below ground surface, and screen interval elevation);
- d. Groundwater depths and elevations (water levels);
- e. Phase-separated product thicknesses and elevations;
- f. Current analytical results by constituent of concern (including detection limits for each constituent);
- g. Historical analytical results (including the past four sampling events); and
- h. Measurement dates.

#### G. MAINTENANCE OF WRITTEN RECORDS

The Discharger shall maintain information required pursuant to this SMP for a minimum of five years. The five-year period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding this discharge or when requested by the Regional Water Board.

# PART B: MONITORING AND OBSERVATION SCHEDULE

# 1. DESCRIPTION OF OBSERVATION STATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF OBSERVATIONS

#### A. GROUNDWATER MONITORING:

Semi-Annual Reports: Due August 31 and March 1 of each year Annual Report: Due March 1 of each year

Groundwater shall be sampled and analyzed as detailed in Tables 2 and 4. Monitoring well locations are listed in Tables 1 and 3. Groundwater analyses shall include the following field measurements: pH, temperature, specific conductance, water level, volume purged, number of casings volumes purged, and whether the well went dry during sampling (including measures taken to ensure accuracy of analyses given this condition). Groundwater monitoring wells installed in the future will be sampled and analyzed as detailed in Tables 2 and 4 and on a quarterly basis until a statistically significant dataset is established.

# B. FACILITIES MONITORING - Observe quarterly, report semi-annually

Semi-Annual Report: Due August 31 and March 1 of each year Annual Report: Due March 1 of each year

The Discharger shall inspect all facilities to ensure proper and safe operation and report semi-annually. The facilities to be monitored shall include, but not be limited to:

- 1. Waste Containment systems;
- 2. Waste treatment systems;
- 3. Surface water retention basins;
- 4. Leak detection systems (where applicable); and
- 5. Leachate/groundwater management facilities and secondary containment where applicable.

#### 2. GPS PERFORMANCE MONITORING

Chevron shall measure the water level in each GPS corrective action monitoring well and in a sufficient number of wells or piezometers both upgadient and downgradient of the GPS to demonstrate continuous maintenance of a hydraulic depression in the GPS trenches (inward hydraulic gradient). To demonstrate the effectiveness of the GPS, Chevron shall include the following for each refinery sector in the semi-annual SMRs:

- a. contour maps of 1st and 3rd quarter GPS groundwater elevation data;
- b. hydrographs showing water level data (measured at least once per week) at each operating extraction sump or recovery well;
- c. a narrative summary of the GPS performance during the reporting period; and,

d. an estimate of the volume of groundwater extracted during the reporting period.

#### 3. ON-SITE OBSERVATIONS/POST-CLOSURE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING

Closed WMUs (Plant I/Additives Plant, Landfill 15, Landfarms 1-5, the Hydropits, Parr-Richmond Landfill and the Gertrude Street Site) shall be inspected annually by a registered California engineer or geologist prior to the onset of the rainy season. These annual inspections shall include identification of areas of the final covers where the soil has become eroded, attacked by rodents, or otherwise damaged, or where the paved areas have become damaged. Chevron shall perform appropriate repairs for these areas prior to the rainy season. In addition, Chevron shall monitor runoff/run-on control facilities for their effectiveness and overall condition as needed according to weather conditions during the winter months (November through April) and as prescribed in the approved post-closure maintenance/monitoring plan for each individual WMU. Chevron shall maintain records of all inspections and repairs and summarize in each semi-annual monitoring report any repairs made during the corresponding reporting period.

#### 4. ALKANE PLANT PLUME REMEDIATION MONITORING

Chevron shall continue to monitor the Alkane Plant Plume remediation effort in accordance with *the Revised Alkane Plant Plume Remediation Goals Plan* (URS, 2001). The monitoring components of this plan include measuring potentiometric water levels, liquid hydrocarbon thickness, and benzene and fluoride concentrations. Benzene and fluoride concentrations will continue to be measured annually in samples collected from 6 wells (listed in Table 1), located around the perimeter of the plume to verify containment of the plume.

# 5. FREE-PHASE LIQUID HYDROCARBON (FPLH) RECOVERY SUMMARY

Chevron shall include a map in each semi-annual SMR that shows the locations of all wells within the refinery that contain FPLH. The measured thickness of the FPLH in each well should be indicated on the map next to the well. Recovery of FLPH will be performed in accordance with the procedures described in the *Free-Phase Liquid Petroleum Hydrocarbon Recovery Evaluation Plan, Chevron Richmond Refinery* (URS, 2000). In addition, the SMR shall include a description of FPLH recovery method used, recovery volume data for the reporting period and cumulative recovery data for each active recovery well or system.

# 6. CHEMICAL CONSTITUENT MONITORING

- a. <u>Refinery-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Program</u>: Chevron shall sample the Refinery-Wide Corrective Action Groundwater Monitoring Program compliance monitoring points listed in Table 1 for the analytical parameters and at the frequencies listed in Table 2. All monitoring activities, including analytical and QA/QC procedures will be conducted in accordance with the most recent version of Chevron's Groundwater Monitoring Program Standard Operating Procedure.
- b. <u>Landfarm Post-Closure Monitoring Program</u>: Chevron shall sample the Landfarms Post-Closure Monitoring Program monitoring points listed in Table 3 for the analytical parameters and at the frequencies listed in Table 4. All monitoring activities, including analytical and QA/QC procedures will be conducted in accordance with the most recent version of Chevron's Groundwater Monitoring Program Standard Operating Procedure.

Monitoring events for constituents of concern and Appendix IX analyses shall alternate between periods of highest and lowest groundwater levels.

- c. Chevron shall sample new wells installed to monitor Landfarms 1 through 5 for COCs and MPs listed in Table 4 over eight consecutive quarters. Within the first year after installation, Chevron shall analyze new wells for the Appendix IX constituents listed in Table 4. Chevron shall add any new compounds detected in new wells to the list of COCs in Table 4.
- d. Chevron shall sample the monitoring points listed in Table 3 regardless of the presence of nonaqueous phase liquid as follows:
  - i. For monitoring points with persistent nonaqueous phase liquid (e.g., more than two consecutive quarters), Chevron shall collect samples every other year for COCs and Appendix IX (if well is POC). For monitoring points with intermittent nonaqueous phase liquid (e.g., not detected during consecutive quarters), Chevron shall collect samples semi-annually.
  - ii. Chevron shall obtain samples for dissolved phase analysis after purging nonaqueous phase liquid from the well, by low-flow sampling, or by another appropriate method.
- iii. Chevron shall follow the most recent version of the Chevron Groundwater Monitoring Program Standard Operating Procedure.
- e. Chevron shall monitor "A" Zone monitoring points in Table 3 under a corrective action monitoring program (22 CCR 66264.100).
- f. Chevron shall monitor "C" Zone monitoring points in Table 3 under a detection monitoring program (22 CCR 66264.98).

# Attachments:

Table 1:	List of Monitoring Wells by Sector, Refinery-Wide Groundwater Monitoring
	Program

- Table 2: Maximum Allowable Concentration Limits for Constituents of Concern and Monitoring Parameters for the Refinery-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Program
- Table 3: Landfarm Area Monitoring Well Network
- Table 4: Landfarm Post-Closure Monitoring Program, Monitoring Parameters, Constituents of Concern and MACLs

Table 1: List of Monitoring Wells by Sector Refinery-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Program Chevron Richmond Refinery

Alkane Sector	Castro and Plant 1/Add. Sector	Landfarms /Landfill 15 Sector	North Yard Sector	Reclamation Yard Sector	Pollard Sector	Effluent Sector	Bavside North	Bayside South	Interior "C" Zone
209A	323A	232A	178A	290A	260A	108A	387AT	346F	208C
P460A	642A	233A	675A	643A	262A	164A	388AT	347F	638C
595AT	554A	234A	550A	370A	803A	179A	389F	348F	378C
223C	556A	240A	377C	560A	635C	108C	390AT	349F	379C
375C 670C	106C 125C	244A	178C 671A	685C 238C		164C	391AT	351CT 345AT	380C 138C
167A*	320C	551A	0/1A	369S				343AT 340AT	382C
170A*	649A	552A		564A				337F	362C
174A*	01911	232C		569C				RW619AT#	
200A*		234C						RW534AT#	
201A*		235C							
258A*		236C							

#### Notes:

<sup>\*</sup> Wells associated with Alkane Plant Plume Remediation Monitoring

<sup>#</sup> Wells with Remediation Monitoring Plan, S.P. Hill Tankfield

Table 2: Maximum Allowable Concentration Levels (MACLS) for Constituents of Concern and Monitoring Parameters for the Chevron Refinery -Wide Groundwater Monitoring Program

Constituents of concern	MACL (µ Unless otherwi noted	s se	Landfarms/landfills Sector		, ,	Bayside Sector- North	Bayside Sector- south	Alkane Sector	Effluent Sector	Reclamation Sector	Pollard Sector	Interior "C" zone
TPH-Gas	1200	*	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
TPH- Diesel	640	*	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S		S
Benzene	46	*	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	В	S
MTBE	1800	*	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	В	S
Acenaphthene	40	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Acenaphthylene	307	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Anthracene	21	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Benzo(a)pyrene	0.049	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	0.049	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene		*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	0.049	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Chrysene	0.049	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	0.049	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Fluoranthene	7.1	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Fluorene	39	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	0.049	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Naphthalene	194	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Phenanthrene	19	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Pyrene	10	*	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
Chlordane	0.00059	*		В						В		
G-BHC (Lindane)	0.063	*		В						В		
Dieldrin	0.0019	*		В						В		
Selenium	5.0	*	В	В	В			S	В	В	В	
Arsenic	36	*	S	В					В	S		
Cadmium	9.3	*	В	В	В			В	В	В	S	В
Chromium VI	50	*	В	В	В			В	В	В	В	В
Lead	5.6	*	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S		В
Mercury	0.025	*	В						В	В		
Nickel	8.2	*	S	В	S			S	В	S	S	S

Constituents of concern	MACL (µg/l) Unless otherwise noted		Landfarms/landfills Sector	Castro Sector	North Yard Sector	Bayside Sector- North	Bayside Sector- south	Alkane Sector	Effluent Sector	Reclamation Sector	Pollard Sector	Interior "C" zone
Zinc	71	*	S	В	В			В	В	В	S	В
	2400	*						S				
Fluoride	2400	<u> </u>						S				
Fluoride Un-ionized Ammonia-N	2400	*						2	В	В		
			S	S	S	S	S	S	B S	B S	S	S
Un-ionized Ammonia-N	25	*	S	S	S	S	S				S	S
Un-ionized Ammonia-N	25 6.5 to	*	S	S	S	S	S				S	S

#### Notes:

 $N/A = not \ applicable$   $(NTUs) = Nephelometric \ Turbidity \ Units$ 

<sup>\*</sup> MACLs to be reviewed and updated by the Discharger per Provision 9  $\,$ 

 $S = Monitoring \ Parameter \ per \ Sector \ (analyzed \ semi-annually)$ 

B= Constituent of concern per Section (analyzed during summer/fall reporting period every 2 years (even-numbered years)

# Table 3 Landfarm Area Monitoring Well Network

Monitoring Wells for Landfarm Area
"A" Zone Wells
183A (POC)
610A (POC)
645A
657A
659A (POC)
672A
673A
677A
P284A (POC)
P384A
P386A
"C" Zone Wells
251C (POC)
506C (POC)
587C
654C (POC)
655C (POC)
674C
678C (POC)
679C (POC)
680C (POC)

#### Notes:

POC indicates that well is a point of compliance well.

Table 4
Landfarms Post-Closure Monitoring Program
Monitoring Parameters, Constituents of Concern and MACLs

Constituent	MACL μg/l (2)	MACL Source	"A" zone Well Monitoring Frequency (5)	"C" zone Well Monitoring Frequency (5)
Monitoring Parameters		10 1 11 1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1 1
pН	6.5 to 8.5	1	S	S
Specific Conductivity	N/A	N/A	S	S
Turbidity	N/A	N/A	S	S
Temperature	N/A	N/A	S	S
Arsenic	36	*	S	S
Lead	5.6	*	S	S
Nickel	8.2	*	S	S
Zinc	71	*	S	S
TPH-Gasoline	1200	*	S	S
TPH-Diesel	640	*	S	S
TPH-Diesel Silica Gel	640	*	S	S
Benzene	46	*	S	S
MTBE	1800	*	S	S
Toluene	5000	*	S	S
Phenolics (Total)	50	*	S	S
<b>Constituents of Concern</b>		<u>l</u>		1~
Cadmium, Dissolved	9.3	*	В	В
Chromium VI, Dissolved	50	*	В	В
Mercury, Dissolved	0.025	*	В	В
Selenium, Dissolved	5	*	В	В
Dissolved sulfide	100	*	В	В
Methylene Chloride	1600	*	В	В
Acenaphthene	40	*	В	S
Acenaphthylene	307	*	В	S
Anthracene	21	*	В	S
Benzo(a)anthracene	2.2	*	В	S
Benzo(a)pyrene	0.96	*	В	S
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	0.049	*	В	S
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	X	*	В	S
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	0.049	*	В	S
Chysene	0.049	*	В	S
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	0.049	*	В	S
Fluoranthene	7.1	*	В	S
Fluorene	39	*	В	S
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	0.049	*	В	S
Naphthalene	194	*	В	S
Phenanthrene	19	*	В	S
Pyrene	10	*	В	S
Pentachlorophenol	7.9	*	В	В
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			"A" zone Well	"C" zone Well			
Constituent	MACL	MACL	Monitoring	Monitoring			
	μg/l (2)	Source	Frequency (5)	Frequency (5)			
Benzenethiol	5	*	В	В			
Benzyl Butyl phthalate	5200	*	В	В			
Bis 2-ethylhexyl phthalate	6	*	В	В			
Chromium, dissolved	50	*	В	В			
Di-n-butyl phthalate	12000	*	В	В			
2,4-dimethylphenol	110	*	В	В			
Ethylbenzene	29000	*	В	В			
1-methylnapthalene	75	*	В	В			
7,12-dimethyl	X	*	В	В			
benzo(a)anthracene							
2-methylphenol	XX	*	В	В			
3,4-methylphenol	XX	*	В	В			
Phenol	2560	*	В	В			
Trichloroethene	381	*	В	В			
1,1,1-trichloroethane	62	*	В	В			
Chlorobenzene	21000	*	В	В			
Methyl chrysene	X	*	В	В			
Total Xylenes	13	*	В	В			
2-methylnaphthalene	2.1	*	В	В			
Acetophenone		*	В	В			
Barium	1000	*	В	В			
Cobalt	3	*	В	В			
Copper	3.1	*	В	В			
N-Nitrosopiperidine		*	В	В			
Silver	0.19	*	В	В			
Vanadium	19	*	В	В			
Vinyl chloride	3.8	*	В	В			
Appendix IX Parameters	(3)						
Metals (Methods 6010,7060, 7470)	N/A	N/A	(4)	N/A			
SVOCs (Method 8270)	N/A	N/A	(4)	N/A			
VOCs (Method 8260)	N/A	N/A	(4)	N/A			

#### Notes:

\* MACLs to be reviewed and updated by the Discharger per Provision 9

- 1. SF Bay Basin Plan, 2010
- 2. MACL is the maximum allowable concentration limit. Applicable to A-Zone wells only. C-Zone wells evaluated based on background concentrations of inorganic constituents and practical quantization limits for organic constituents.
- 3. Parameters are listed in Appendix IX to 22CFR 66264 for analysis via Methods 6010, 7060, 7470, 8260, 8270. Appendix IX parameters that are detected, but are not COCs, will be added to the list of COCs for all wells.
- 4. Bi-annually at POC wells. Every five years at all other wells. Within first year in new wells.
- 5. Monitoring for COCs and Appendix IX parameters will alternate between highest and lowest groundwater levels.

X=Total PAH concentration less than 0.015 mg/l XX=Total phenolics concentration less than 0.05 mg/l  $\,$ 

PAHS are polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons POC is point of compliance B is biennial or monitoring every other year for non-POC wells S is semi-annual monitoring at all wells N/A is not applicable