

**(CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION**

**TENTATIVE ORDER**

**UPDATED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND  
RESCISSION OF ORDER NO. 97-049 FOR:**

**FORMER CHEVRON CHEMICAL COMPANY POND SITE  
CHEVRON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMPANY  
940 HENSLEY STREET  
RICHMOND, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY**

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

**LOCATION AND HISTORY**

1. Chevron Chemical Company, hereinafter called the Discharger, owns two facilities in Richmond that formerly manufactured and distributed a variety of pesticides and fertilizers. A gasoline additive blending and packaging facility was also operated at the site. The facility, which closed in 1997, consisted of two separate areas, a chemical processing area (called the Plant Site) at 940 Hensley Street (located on the southeast side of Castro Street), and the site of a former Fertilizer Manufacturing Plant plus a system of ponds (the Integrated Wastewater Pond System, referred to as the IWPS or the ponds) on the northwest side of Castro Street, which is called the Pond Site. Figure 1 shows the location of the site.
2. Contamination of soil and groundwater at the Plant Site has been remediated pursuant to Site Cleanup Requirements Order No. 00-010. This order was rescinded on May xx, 2015 because all tasks required for the Plant Site in the Order were completed. The Pond Site is the subject of this Order.

**PURPOSE OF ORDER UPDATE**

3. This Order updates the Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for the Pond Site. The WDRs require groundwater monitoring to ensure prompt detection in the event of any migration of contaminants from the ponds or waste management units (WMUs) located at the Pond Site. This Order also requires the Discharger to review and optimize the groundwater monitoring program, and incorporates elements of the monitoring program for the Plant Site into the monitoring program for the Pond Site.

**REGULATORY HISTORY**

4. The operation and monitoring of the ponds is regulated under Waste Discharge Requirements in Order No. 97-049, and NPDES permit CA005134 (contained in Board Order R2-2011-0049). The site was previously regulated under Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 81-65, WDR Order No. 91-149 and Site Cleanup Requirements Order No. 91-183, all of which have been rescinded. The ponds are under RCRA interim status (delayed closure).

## **SITE DESCRIPTION**

5. The Pond Site includes several physical elements that are regulated under these WDRs. These elements include the IWPS and two WMUs where contaminated solid wastes have been buried and managed. These two WMUs are called Soil Management Unit 1 (SMU1) and the Consolidation Area (CA). There are also three filled former fertilizer ponds, which were never under regulation. Figure 2 shows the locations of these regulated units.

### INTEGRATED WASTEWATER POND SYSTEM

6. The IWPS occupies the greater portion of the Pond Site, and covers approximately 74 acres. The IWPS was constructed in the early 1960s for the evaporation of dilute process wastewater generated by the manufacture of fungicides, equipment wash water from pesticide formulation units, and stormwater runoff from the chemical processing areas. Before the ponds were constructed, the area was a marsh dissected by many natural sloughs and manmade ditches. The ponds were formed by construction of earthen dikes from soil excavated from the marsh.
7. The IWPS has both natural and engineered containment features. Natural features that promote containment include the underlying Bay Mud, which has very low transmissivity, and the presence of a natural upward vertical hydraulic gradient, both of which greatly minimize the potential for downward migration of water from the pond system. Engineered features include a subsurface vertical barrier wall and a hydraulic control trench, which limit lateral migration by creating and maintaining a groundwater depression along the perimeter of the site. The hydraulic control trench is a two-foot wide trench that is keyed into the Bay Mud and backfilled with sand. Slotted drain pipes installed near the bottom of the trench collect and convey groundwater to sumps spaced at 500-foot intervals along the trench. Groundwater is extracted from these sumps and is either piped to the onsite groundwater treatment unit or pumped directly into the IWPS (if analysis indicates treatment is not necessary). Treated effluent from the groundwater treatment unit is discharged into the IWPS.
8. Following termination of operations at the Plant Site in 1997, the IWPS has been used primarily for storage of stormwater runoff from the Plant Site in compliance with NPDES Permit CA0005134, which prohibits direct discharge of stormwater runoff from the Plant Site to adjacent surface waters, except during periods of intense rainfall. The IWPS can accommodate a total volume of 111.5 million gallons of water. Stormwater that accumulates in the ponds either evaporates or is discharged to the local Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) under an industrial waste discharge permit. The volume of groundwater discharged into the IWPS from the perimeter hydraulic control system constitutes a very small portion of the total pond volume.

### SOIL MANAGEMENT UNIT 1

9. SMU1 is a closed 3.8-acre Class II landfill that was constructed starting in 1991 with a capacity of 56,000 cubic yards. The area where SMU1 was constructed was previously used as a surface impoundment for process water and stormwater from the fertilizer plant. SMU1 is underlain by a leachate collection and recovery system, and is capped with a multi-layer vegetative cover. SMU1 is completely contained within the IWPS perimeter hydraulic control system.

10. The discharger used SMU1 for disposal of non-hazardous contaminated soils generated by construction, maintenance, and environmental cleanup activities. Most of the wastes in this landfill are soils generated by construction of the IWPS slurry wall and the hydraulic control trench system. These waste soils contain levels of pesticides, fertilizers, halogenated organic compounds, and heavy metals that did not warrant disposal as hazardous waste. The landfill also contains soils from the Chevron Richmond Refinery that are contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons and metals.

### CONSOLIDATION AREA

11. The CA is a 4.1-acre RCRA solid waste management unit that was closed by the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) in 1994. The area that became the CA was previously used as a wastewater containment pond for the Plant Area. The CA does not have a leachate collection system. It is capped with a modified RCRA-compliant multi-layer vegetative cover and is located inside the perimeter hydraulic control trench system.
12. The CA contains approximately 105,000 cubic yards of soils contaminated with heavy metals and pesticides that were removed in 1987-88 from earthen evaporation ponds that pre-dated the IWPS.

### **HYDROGEOLOGY**

13. Three water-bearing zones have been identified within the upper 130 feet below ground surface. These zones have been defined based on stratigraphy, differences in major element chemistry, and differences in piezometric head. The water-bearing zones are called, in order of increasing depth, the A-zone, the C-zone and the B-zone.
  - The A-zone generally occurs at depths shallower than about 20 feet. The water table is usually encountered 2 to 10 feet below ground surface. The developed portion of the Pond Site is underlain by a layer of fill which ranges between 3 and 10 feet in thickness. Because the pond system is west of the historic 1894 shoreline, the uppermost native soil unit is a soft layer of silty clay with organic matter known as Bay Mud. The Bay Mud pinches out east of Castro Street, but gradually thickens to more than 30 feet in a westerly direction under the Pond Site. Water in the A-zone is non-potable due to elevated salinity.
  - The C-zone extends between depths of about 10 and 90 feet below grade and consists of an upper and lower alluvial sequence separated by near-shore estuarine deposits. In general, the upper 20 to 30 feet of alluvial soils consist of silty clay with occasional thin, localized sandy lenses. The C-zone is also considered non-potable because of its high salinity. Below the C-zone deposits, a 20-foot-thick layer of estuarine clay is present. This clay unit acts as an aquitard between the C-zone and the deeper B-zone.
  - The B-zone is encountered at depths ranging from 100 to 130 feet beneath the site. This thin water-bearing zone contains a higher proportion of alluvial sands and gravels compared to surrounding soils. The B-zone is typically 5 to 15 feet thick and is overlain and underlain by alluvial and estuarine clays. The B-zone is the shallowest fresh-water zone below the site. However, the B-zone groundwater quality degrades from east to west due to saltwater intrusion.

14. In general, groundwater gradients in the three water-bearing zones slope in a westerly direction toward San Pablo Bay. Operation of the hydraulic control trench system results in a groundwater depression in the A-zone at the site boundary. The permeability and transmissivity of all three zones are low, and none of the zones are capable of producing significant quantities of groundwater on a sustained yield basis. Groundwater levels measured in adjacent monitoring wells screened at different depths indicate an upward vertical gradient.

## GROUNDWATER CHARACTERISTICS

15. Ambient Groundwater Quality: Analysis of groundwater samples for major cations and anions confirms that water quality varies laterally in all three water-bearing zones, degrading in a northwesterly direction due to saltwater intrusion. Groundwater quality in the A- and B-zones beneath the site generally exceeds state and federal drinking water standards (Maximum Contaminant Levels or MCLs) for total dissolved solids (TDS), specific conductance, chloride, sulfate, and manganese. Nitrate concentrations are also typically elevated in the A-zone. The quality of groundwater in the B-zone is better than in the two shallower zones, but varies from moderately fresh to brackish.
16. Summary of Groundwater Contamination: Soils within and around the Pond Site contain elevated levels of heavy metals, pesticides and fertilizers. Soil contamination occurs in the fill materials designated as the A-zone which overlies Bay Mud. Chemicals that have been detected in soils of the area are ammonia, nitrate, arsenic, lead, chlordane, lindane, DDD, DDE, DDT, trans-1,2-dichloroethene (1,2-DCE), and trichloroethene (TCE). These same chemicals have also impacted groundwater in the A-zone. Concentrations have dropped over time, as shown in the table below. Other constituents that have been detected in groundwater in concentrations that exceed MCLs include benzene, cadmium, carbon tetrachloride, chromium, 1,2-dichloroethane, lindane, silvex, silver, and tetrachloroethene (PCE).

Groundwater monitoring data for the C-zone gathered from 1986 to 1992 indicate that a few pesticides, herbicides, other organics, and metals were detected in some wells; however, detections of these constituents were sporadic, and exhibited a wide variation over time.

CONSTITUENTS IN GROUNDWATER AT THE POND SITE

Contaminant	Historical Maximum Concentration	Maximum 2014 Concentration in A-zone Compliance Wells	Maximum 2014 Concentration in C-zone Compliance Wells	Maximum 2014 Concentration in Castro Creek Monitoring Points
Arsenic	2.37 mg/L	0.145 mg/l	ND @ 0.02 mg/l	0.2 mg/l
Lead	3.0 mg/L	0.01 mg/l	0.02 mg/l	0.03 mg/l
Ammonia as	4,480 mg/L	18.8 mg/l	5 mg/l	2.5 mg/l
Chlordane	12.0 ug/L	ND @ 0.5 ug/l	ND @ 0.5 ug/l	ND @ 0.5 ug/l
TCE	680 ug/L	ND @ 1 ug/l	ND @ 1 ug/l	25 ug/l

## MONITORING PROGRAM

17. The Pond Site water quality monitoring program, which covers the IWPS, SMU1, and the CA, is designed to fulfill multiple objectives; it includes groundwater monitoring in the A- and C-zones, and surface water monitoring in Castro Creek. The monitoring program includes the following components:

- Corrective Action Monitoring of groundwater in the A-zone is performed to evaluate the effectiveness of the groundwater extraction/barrier wall system in creating a hydraulic barrier to the offsite migration of contaminated water beneath the IWPS. To verify that the hydraulic control system is creating a depression around the IWPS, water surface elevations are measured in a system of paired piezometers and sumps at 11 locations along the northern and northwestern boundary of the pond system. Corrective Action Monitoring also includes sampling and chemical analysis of groundwater at six well locations to evaluate the effectiveness of corrective action on A-zone groundwater quality.

Groundwater monitoring for the A-zone (and C-zone wells, see below) involves an intra-well comparison of concentrations of the monitoring parameters at the point of compliance. The point of compliance is the vertical plane along the northern and northwestern boundary of the pond system. Concentration limits have been established for selected monitoring parameters and COCs. The concentration limits were established on a well by well basis, either at the limit of quantitation or a statistically determined prediction limit. If measured concentrations exceed the concentration limit, then confirmation sampling is required and corrective action may be triggered.

- Detection Monitoring of C-zone groundwater is performed to provide early indication of a release from any of the three regulated units (IWPS, SMU1, and the CA) into the C-zone. Detection monitoring consists of chemical monitoring of the groundwater in one upgradient and three downgradient C-zone wells.
  - Surface Water Monitoring is conducted quarterly at three locations in Castro Creek. The monitoring points were selected on the basis of their position relative to both creek flow directions and nearby A-zone corrective action monitoring wells. One sampling location is located upstream of the IWPS, and two are located downstream opposite A-zone groundwater monitoring wells.
  - Standard Visual Observation Monitoring of the site perimeter, SMU1 and CA areas is performed to detect physical changes to the Pond site and to look for evidence of potential releases.
18. Justification for not monitoring the B-zone: B-zone wells downgradient of the ponds were monitored for six years (1986 - 1992), and no significant concentrations of chemicals were detected. Any chemical impacts to groundwater in the B-zone would have to be derived from the overlying C-zone. Three factors make this highly unlikely:
- Monitoring conducted over a period of almost 30 years (1986 to present) has shown minimal chemical impacts to the C-zone.
  - The B-zone is separated from the C-zone by a 20-foot thick, low-permeability clay aquitard.

- An upward vertical gradient of approximately five feet between the B and C zones exists, further inhibiting downward migration of water from the C-zone to the B-zone.

## **CORRECTIVE ACTIONS**

19. Numerous corrective actions have been implemented at the Pond Site. The Corrective Action Program included the following elements:

- Constructing low-permeability subsurface vertical barrier walls keyed into Bay Mud and completely encircling the site;
- Installing a hydraulic control trench (groundwater extraction) system inside the barrier walls;
- Removing liquid hazardous wastes from the evaporation ponds;
- Removing and consolidating soils removed from pond bottoms;
- Lining the ponds to minimize surface water infiltration;
- Reconfiguring the former evaporation ponds into storm water retention ponds.

The Corrective Action Program elements are briefly described below. The location of the barrier wall and groundwater extraction system and other features of the Corrective Action Program are shown on Figure 2.

20. Barrier Walls: The entire Pond Site is surrounded by subsurface barrier walls and is underlain by a 3- to 20-foot-thick layer of Bay Mud which separates the A-zone from the deeper C-zone. Between 1980 and 1983, a barrier wall made of Aspemix, a mixture of asphalt emulsion, cement, sand, and water, was constructed around all but two small sections of the southern dikes where clay barriers had previously been installed in 1973 and 1974. In 1991, soil-bentonite slurry barrier wall was installed adjacent to Castro Creek. It extends from the northwest corner of the site to the southeast corner, tying into the existing Aspemix wall at each end. The wall follows Castro Creek and is located as close to the creek as possible, taking geotechnical and construction practicality into account. The wall, a slurry mixture of fine-grained imported soil and bentonite, is nominally 3 feet wide and is keyed into the Bay Mud underlying the site.
21. Hydraulic Control Trench System: The hydraulic control trench system was completed in 1993. It is operated to create and maintain an effective groundwater depression along the perimeter of the site that prevents off-site migration of contaminants. In this system, a trench, keyed into the Bay Mud, surrounds the Pond Site within the barrier wall system. Slotted drain pipes slope into sumps. Groundwater is extracted from the sumps, treated if necessary, and discharged to the POTW. Data show that a consistent inward gradient can be maintained when sump water level elevations are lower than the piezometer/well water level elevations. During the dry season (April through September) the average extraction rate is about 5.7 GPM. During the wet season (October through March) the extraction rate averages 14.7 GPM.
22. Liquid Hazardous Waste and Contaminated Soil Removal/Consolidation: Pond-bottom sediments containing free liquids and approximately 105,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil were removed from the ponds in 1987 and 1988 as part of TPCA compliance activities. The dried, stabilized sediments and soil were placed in the Consolidation Area (CA). In 1994, the CA was formally closed under the direction of the DTSC.

23. Pond Lining: In 1994, a bottom liner and underdrain system was installed in the IWPS ponds so that the ponds could be used for storm water management. The pond bottoms were first dried and graded, then an underdrain system and liners were installed on the bottoms and sides of the ponds. Each of the ponds has an independent subdrainage network to prevent groundwater from rising above the bottom of the pond. The network consists of a layer of drain rock over a geotextile material placed directly on the pond bottoms. Slotted PVC pipes embedded in the drain rock layer collect groundwater and convey it to manholes. Submersible pumps in the manholes send the groundwater to a common header leading to the groundwater treatment plant. To prevent impounded storm water from coming into contact with pond bottom soils, the ponds are lined with 60-mil HDPE liners installed directly over a geotextile material placed on the subdrainage.
24. Pond Reconfiguration: The 11 previous RCRA/TPCA ponds have been reconfigured into eight storm water management ponds (the IWPS) as follows:

<b>RCRA/TPCA Pond</b>	<b>Stormwater Pond</b>	<b>Year</b>
West Pond	West Pond	1991
Pond 1 West	Pond 1A	1992
Pesticide Pond	Pond 1A	1992
BA Pond	Pond 1B	1992
Pond 1 East	Pond 1C	1992
Spill Pond	Pond 1C	1992
Semiworks West	Pond 4A	1992
Semiworks East	Pond 4B	1992
Pond 2	Pond 2	1993
Pond 3AA	Pond 2	1993
Pond 3A	Pond 3	1993

## **FINAL CLOSURE**

25. IWPS: The IWPS ponds are still utilized for stormwater management. Final closure of the ponds will occur when they are no longer needed for storm water containment. In 1992 Chevron applied for an amended RCRA Part B permit for continued management of storm water in the IWPS according to the delay-of-closure rule. While the pond permit was extended to 2020, there is no current deadline or plans to close the IWPS. Before final closure could begin, the NPDES permit would have to be revised to allow for direct discharge of storm water to Castro Creek. The discharger would then decommission the ponds by backfilling them with clean soil and installing a low permeability cap over them. Another option would be to “clean close” portions of the ponds and converting them to salt water marsh.

26. SMU1: The Final Closure of SMU1 was conducted in two phases. After receiving about 90% of its capacity, a temporary cover was placed in October 1994. Final closure was achieved in November 1997. Closure activities consisted of installing a multi-layer vegetative cover that was appropriately graded to provide adequate runoff and to prevent ponding. A gas vent system and leachate collection was also provided.
27. Consolidation Area: The CA underwent final closure by the DTSC in 1994, as described in Finding 11.

## **BASIN PLAN**

28. 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.

## **ANTIDegradation POLICY**

29. CFR title 40, part 131.12, requires that State water quality standards include an anti-degradation policy consistent with the federal policy. The State Water Board established California's anti-degradation policy through State Water Board Resolution 68-16, which is deemed to incorporate the federal anti-degradation policy where the federal policy applies. Resolution 68-16 requires that existing water quality be maintained unless degradation is justified based on specific findings. The Basin Plan implements, and incorporates by reference, both the State and federal anti-degradation policies. This Order is consistent with both the State and federal anti-degradation policies.

## **BENEFICIAL USES**

30. Board Resolution No. 89-39, "Sources of Drinking Water," defines potential sources of drinking water to include all groundwater in the region, with limited exceptions for areas of high TDS, low yield, or naturally-high contaminant levels. The shallow groundwater (A- and C-zones) at the site does not qualify for municipal or domestic use because the maximum TDS of the groundwater is significantly higher than the maximum acceptable level of 3,000 mg/l for beneficial use in a public water supply system. Groundwater monitoring beneath the site indicates the B-zone has not been impacted by A- and C-zone contaminants. Groundwater underlying or downgradient of the site is not currently used as a potable source of water.
31. The potential beneficial uses of groundwater underlying and adjacent to the site include:
  - (i) Limited domestic water supply (B-zone only)
  - (ii) Limited industrial process and service water supply (B-zone only)



- (iii) Limited agricultural water supply (B-zone only)
- (iv) Groundwater replenishment to surface waters (Castro Creek)

32. Castro Creek is located within 100 feet west and south of the Pond Site. Downstream of the Pond Site, Castro Creek joins Wildcat Creek, and the combined creeks flow into Castro Cove, an embayment of San Pablo Bay. The existing and potential combined beneficial uses of Castro Creek, Castro Cove, and San Pablo Bay include:

- (i) Industrial service supply
- (ii) Water contact recreation
- (iii) Non-contact water recreation
- (iv) Wildlife habitat
- (v) Ocean commercial and sport fishing
- (vi) Fish migration and spawning
- (vii) Navigation
- (viii) Estuarine habitat
- (ix) Shellfish harvesting
- (x) Preservation of rare and endangered species

### **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

33. 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**

34. 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.

35. The Regional Water Board, at a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the revision of these 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:

#### **A. PROHIBITIONS**

1. Migration of pollutants through subsurface transport to waters of the State is prohibited.
2. There shall be no discharge of wastes to surface waters except as permitted under an NPDES permit.

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 CWC §13050(l) and (m), nor degrade the quality of waters of the State or of the United States.
4. The creation of any new WMU, or relocation of wastes from any WMU, is prohibited without prior Water Board staff written concurrence.
5. The relocation of wastes to or from WMUs shall not create a condition of pollution or nuisance as defined in CWC §13050(l) and (m). Wastes shall not be relocated to any location where they can be discharged into waters of the State or of the United States.
6. Excavation within or reconfiguration of any existing WMU is prohibited without prior concurrence of Water Board staff. Minor excavation or reconfiguration activities such as for installation of signs or minor routine maintenance and repair do not require prior Water Board staff concurrence.
7. 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.
8. The discharge of hazardous waste at the site is prohibited. For the purpose of this Order, the term "hazardous waste" is as defined in title 27 §20164.
9. The discharge of leachate or wastewater 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 title 27 §20200(2)(b).
10. Activities associated with subsurface investigations and cleanup that will cause significant adverse migration of pollutants are prohibited.
11. If it is determined that a surface impoundment is leaking or there is a failure which causes a threat to water quality, there shall be no discharges to that surface impoundment, and any residual liquids and sludge shall be removed expeditiously.
12. 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 the post-closure maintenance period, per title 27 §20310(a).
13. The Discharger shall not cause the following conditions to exist in waters of the State at any place outside of the site:
  - 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.

## **B. 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 continue the detection monitoring program for groundwater beneath the Pond Site, pursuant to title 27 §20430. The program shall be designed to determine if the program is adequately functioning and demonstrating compliance with the program goals. The Self-Monitoring and Reporting Program (SMP) attached to this Order is intended to constitute the detection monitoring program for the site.
3. At any time, the Discharger may file a written request (including supporting documentation) with the 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.

### **WMU Specifications**

4. WMUs 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.
5. The Discharger shall notify the 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.
6. The Discharger shall maintain the WMUs so as to prevent a statistically significant increase in water quality parameters at POCs as provided in title 27 §20420.
7. The Discharger shall maintain the WMUs to prevent discharges, such that the units do not constitute a pollution source.

8. Pipeline discharges to surface impoundments shall be either equipped with devices, or fail-safe operating procedures, to prevent overfilling. The surface impoundments shall maintain at least two feet of freeboard, except during and immediately after a storm event.
9. The Discharger shall have continuing responsibility for correcting any problems that arise in the future as a result of waste discharge or related operations or site use.
10. 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.
11. WMUs shall be closed according to a closure plan prepared according to all applicable requirements of title 27 and approved by the Executive Officer.
12. 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.
13. The Discharger shall install, maintain in good working order, and operate efficiently any monitoring system necessary to assure compliance with these WDRs.
14. If it is determined by the Executive Officer, based on groundwater monitoring information, that water quality at or beyond the POC wells becomes degraded, the Discharger will be required to submit and implement a site specific groundwater corrective action proposal.
15. The Discharger shall operate the WMUs 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.

### **Monitoring Specifications**

16. 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 compliance of the WMU and the ponds with the updated WQPS as required by Provision 4.
17. Any additional monitoring wells installed at the site 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.
18. All borings for monitoring wells shall be continuously cored. The drill holes shall be logged during drilling under the direct supervision of a California professional geologist whose signature appears on the corresponding well log. Logs of monitoring wells shall be filed with the State Department of Water Resources. All information related to well construction shall be submitted to the Water Board upon well completion.

19. The groundwater sampling and analysis program shall ensure that groundwater quality data are representative of the groundwater in the area that is monitored.

### **Soil Contamination**

20. The Discharger shall notify the Water Board of any soil contamination not previously identified in subsurface investigations that is discovered during any subsurface investigation or excavation work conducted on Chevron property that may potentially adversely impact water quality.

### **C. PROVISIONS**

1. Compliance: 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 Water Board orders or court orders requiring corrective action or imposing civil monetary liability.
2. Authority: All technical and monitoring reports required by this Order are requested pursuant to CWC §13267. 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 CWC §13268.
3. Revision of the Groundwater Monitoring Program: The Discharger shall review and optimize the Self-Monitoring Program and submit an updated SMP, acceptable to the Executive Officer. The SMP shall include monitoring of the Plant Site as well as the Pond Site which have been combined following the rescission of the separate Plant site monitoring requirements formerly contained in Site Cleanup Requirements Order No. 00-010 (rescinded on May xx, 2015). The update shall also include relevant updates to the monitoring objectives, sampling procedures and frequency, analytical methods used, any impacts or changes to the surface water monitoring program. Please note that the RCRA Part B Permit may need to be modified to maintain consistency with the SMP.

**COMPLIANCE DATE: December 1, 2015**

4. Update Water Quality Protection Standards: For all WMUs, the Discharger shall update existing WQPS in accordance with either the Water Board's updated Environmental Screening Levels, or with technically-justified site-specific standards, acceptable to the Executive Officer. The WQPS shall consist of the list of constituents of concern (under Title 27 §20395), the concentration limits (under §20400), and the Point of Compliance and all Monitoring Points (under §20405). This WQPS shall apply during the active life of the WMUs, the closure period, the post-closure maintenance period, and during any compliance period (under §20410).

**COMPLIANCE DATE: December 1, 2015**

7. Long-Term Flood Protection Report: The Discharger shall submit a report, acceptable to the Executive Officer, for long-term flood and/or sea level rise protection at the site. The report

shall include a consideration of feasible options for achieving protection from the 100-year flood to account for rising sea levels and increased flood frequency and intensity. The report shall consider the methods developed by the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission to predict and protect against future flooding. The report shall be updated every five years throughout the operational life of the site with the most recently available and credible information at the time of the update.

**COMPLIANCE DATE: January 1, 2016, and every 5 years thereafter**

8. 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 (CWC §13260(c)). The technical report shall describe the project, identify key changes to the design that may impact any portion of the WMU, and specify components of the design necessary to maintain integrity of the WMU and prevent water quality impacts.

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

9. Financial Assurance: The Discharger shall submit to the 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 releases that may be required for all WMUs at the site. 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: January 1, 2016, and every five years thereafter**

10. Availability: 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 the WMUs (CWC §13263).
11. Change in Ownership: In the event of any change in control or ownership of the site 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 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 Water Board. Failure to submit the request shall be considered a discharge without requirements, a violation of CWC §13263 and §13267.

**COMPLIANCE DATE: 30 days after a change in site control or ownership**

12. Revision: This Order is subject to 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 Water Board will review this Order periodically and may revise its requirements when necessary (CWC §13263).
13. Submittal Revisions: 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 Water Board, it shall promptly submit such facts or information (CWC §13260 and §13267).
14. Vested Rights: 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 §13263(g)).
15. 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 §13263(f)).
16. Reporting of Hazardous Substance Release: 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 Water Board by calling (510) 622-2300 during regular office hours (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.); and
    - ii. The California Emergency Management Agency (CAL EMA) at (800) 852-7550.
  - b. A written report shall be filed with the 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.

17. 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 §8574.7) of Chapter 7 of Division 1 of title 2 of the Government Code, and immediately notify the 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 §13271 unless the Discharger is in violation of a prohibition in the Basin Plan (CWC §13271(a)).

18. Release Reporting Requirements: In the case of a release defined above the following must be provided to the 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.

19. 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 §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 §13263 and §13267).



21. Entry and Inspection: The Discharger shall allow the 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 §13267).
22. Discharges to Navigable Waters: Any person discharging or proposing to discharge to navigable waters from a point source (except for discharge of dredged or fill material subject to §404 of the Clean Water Act and discharge subject to a general NPDES permit) must file an NPDES permit application with the Water Board (40 CFR §122.21).
23. Change in Discharge: In the event of a material change in the character, location, or volume of a discharge, the Discharger shall file with this Water Board a new Report of Waste Discharge (CWC §13260). A material change includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- a. Addition of a major industrial waste discharge to a 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; or
  - d. Increase in flow to a WMU or water body beyond that specified in the WDRs.
24. 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 professional engineer registered in California 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 §2230).

25. **Treatment:** 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 §13263(f)).
26. **Document Distribution:** Copies of correspondence, technical reports, and other documents pertaining to compliance with this Order shall be provided to the Water Board, and any other interested agencies.
27. **General Prohibition:** Neither the treatment nor the discharge of waste shall create a pollution, contamination or nuisance, as defined by CWC §13050, CWC §13263, and Cal. Health & Safety Code §5411.
28. **Earthquake Inspection:** 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 surface impoundment. Damage to any WMU or surface impoundment, 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 two weeks 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 [Rb2SpillReports@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Rb2SpillReports@waterboards.ca.gov)
29. **Maintenance of Records:** 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.
30. This Order supersedes and rescinds Order No. 97-049.

31. This Order is subject to Water Board review and updating, as necessary, to comply with changing State or federal laws, regulations or policies, or guidelines; changes in the 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

Attachments:

Self-Monitoring and Reporting Program, Parts A and B

Figure 1 – Chevron Chemical Location Map

Figure 2 – Pond Site Location Map

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION**

**REVISED SELF-MONITORING AND REPORTING**

**PROGRAM FOR**

**CHEVRON CHEMICAL COMPANY  
POND and PLANT SITES  
940 HENSLEY STREET  
RICHMOND, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY**

**ORDER NO. 97-049**

**CONSISTS OF PART A AND PART B**

**Revised March 2015**

## PART A

### A. GENERAL

Reporting responsibilities of waste dischargers are specified in Sections 13225(a), 13267(b), 13383, and 13387(b) of the California Water Code and this Regional Board's Resolution No. 73-16. This Discharge Monitoring Program is issued in accordance with Provision 7 of Regional Board Order No. 97-049.

The principal purposes of a discharge monitoring program are: (1) to document compliance with waste discharge requirements and prohibitions established by the Board, (2) to facilitate self-policing by the waste dischargers in the prevention and abatement of pollution arising from waste discharge, (3) to develop or assist in the development of standards of performance, and toxicity standards, (4) to assist the dischargers in complying with the requirements of Article 5, Chapter 15 as revised July 1, 1991.

### B. SAMPLING AND ANALYTICAL METHODS

Sample collection, storage, and analyses shall be performed according to the most recent version of EPA Standard Methods and in accordance with an approved sampling and analysis plan.

Water and waste analysis shall be performed by a laboratory approved for these analyses by the State of California. The director of the laboratory whose name appears on the certification shall supervise all analytical work in his/her laboratory and shall sign all reports of such work submitted to the Regional Board.

All monitoring instruments and equipment shall be properly calibrated and maintained to ensure accuracy of measurements.

### C. DEFINITION OF TERMS

1. A grab sample is a discrete sample collected at any time.
2. Receiving waters refers to any surface or groundwater which actually or potentially receives surface or groundwater which pass over, through, or under waste materials or contaminated soils. In this case the groundwater beneath and adjacent to the Pond Site, the surface runoff from the site, adjacent wetlands, Castro Creek, and San Pablo Bay are considered receiving waters.
3. Facility boundary refers to the alignment of the hydraulic control trench/barrier wall system for the Pond Site as shown on Figure 2 of Order No.97-049.
4. Standard observations refer to:

- a. Receiving Waters
  - i. Floating and suspended materials of waste origin: presence or absence, source, and size of affected area.
  - ii. Discoloration and turbidity: description of color, source, and size of affected area.
  - iii. Evidence of odors, presence or absence, characterization, source, and distance of travel from source.
  
- b. Perimeter of the facility boundary.
  - i. Evidence of liquid leaving or entering the waste management unit, estimated size of affected area and flow rate. (Show affected area on map)
  - ii. Evidence of odors, presence or absence, characterization, source, and distance of travel from source.
  - iii. Evidence of erosion and/or daylighted waste.
  
- c. The waste management units consisting of SMU1 and the Consolidation Area.
  - i. Evidence of ponded water at any point on the waste management facility.
  - ii. Evidence of odors, presence or absence, characterization, source, and distance of travel from source.
  - iii. Evidence of erosion and/or daylighted waste.

**D. SAMPLING, ANALYSIS, AND OBSERVATIONS**

The discharger is required to perform sampling, analyses, and observations in the following media:

- 1. Groundwater per Section 2550.7(b)(1)(D) and
- 2. Surface water per Section 2550.7(c)

and per the non-statistical portions of the general requirements specified in Section 2550.7(e) of Article 5, Chapter 15.

**E. RECORDS TO BE MAINTAINED**

Written reports shall be maintained by the dischargers or laboratory, and shall be retained for a minimum of five years. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding this discharge or when requested by the Board. Such records shall show the following for each sample:

- 1. Identity of sample and sample station number.

2. Date and time of sampling.
3. Date and time that analyses are started and completed, and name of the personnel performing the analyses.
4. Complete procedure used, including method of preserving the sample, and the identity and volumes of reagents used.
5. Calculation of results.
6. Results of analyses, and detection limits for each analysis.

#### F. REPORTS TO BE FILED WITH THE BOARD

1. The discharger shall submit two Semi-Annual Self-Monitoring and Reporting Program Reports, one for the winter/spring (wet) season, and one for the summer/fall (dry) season. The discharger shall also submit an Annual Self-Monitoring and Reporting Program Summary Report covering the previous monitoring year. The annual summary report can be combined with the summer/fall report. The reporting period means the duration separating the submittal of the monitoring report from the time the next iteration of that report is scheduled for submittal. Unless otherwise specified, the reporting period for each semi-annual report is six months: 1st and 2nd quarters= January 1 to June 30; and 3rd and 4th quarters = July 1 to December 31. The due date for any given report will be 60 days after the end of its reporting period. The semi-annual reports shall include, but are not limited to the following:

- a. Letter of Transmittal

A letter transmitting the essential points in each report should accompany each report. Such a letter shall include a discussion of any requirement violations found during the last report period, and actions taken or planned for correcting the violations. If the Dischargers have previously submitted a detailed time schedule for correcting requirement violations, a reference to the correspondence transmitting such schedule will be satisfactory. If no violations have occurred in the last report period this shall be stated in the letter of transmittal. Monitoring reports and the letter transmitting the monitoring reports shall be signed by a principal executive officer at the level of vice president or his duly authorized representative, if such representative is responsible for the overall operation of the facility from which the discharge originates. The letter shall contain a statement by the official, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of the signer's knowledge the report is true, complete, and correct.

- b. Each semi-annual monitoring report shall include a compliance evaluation summary. The summary shall contain:

- i. A graphic description of the elevation, velocity, and direction of groundwater flow under/around the Pond and Plant Sites, based upon the past and present water level elevations and pertinent visual observations.
  - ii. The method and time of water level measurement, the type of pump used for purging, pump placement in the well; method of purging, pumping rate, equipment and methods used to monitor field pH, temperature, and conductivity during purging, calibration of the field equipment, results of the field pH, temperature, conductivity and turbidity observations, well recovery time or rate (as applicable), and method of disposing of the purge water. Stabilization of field parameters may not be applicable for wells with extremely slow recovery. In place of tabulating field data, field sampling logs can be included as an appendix to the monitoring report.
  - iii. A written discussion of the groundwater analyses indicating any change in the quality or characteristics of the groundwater.
  - iv. Type of pump used, pump placement for sampling, a detailed description of the sampling procedure; number and description of equipment, field and travel blanks; number and description of duplicate samples; type of sample containers and preservatives used, the date and time of sampling, the name and qualifications of the person actually taking the samples, and any other observations.
- c. A comprehensive discussion of the compliance record and status, as well as any corrective actions taken or planned which may be needed to bring the discharger into full compliance with the Waste Discharge Requirements and Chapter 15, Title 23.
- d. A map or aerial photograph shall accompany each report showing observation and monitoring station locations.
- e. Laboratory statements of results of analyses specified in Part B must be included in each report. The director of the laboratory whose name appears on the laboratory certification shall supervise all analytical work in his/her laboratory and shall sign all reports of such work submitted to the Board.
- i. The methods of analyses and detection limits must be appropriate for the expected concentrations. Specific methods of analyses must be identified. If methods other than EPA approved methods or Standard Methods are used, the exact methodology must be submitted for review and approved by the Executive Officer prior to use.
  - ii. In addition to the results of the analyses, laboratory quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) information must be included in the monitoring report. The laboratory QA/QC information should include the



method, equipment and analytical detection limits; the recovery rates; an explanation for any recovery rate that is less than the recovery acceptance limits specified in the USEPA method procedures or the laboratory's acceptance limits, if they are more stringent than those in the USEPA method procedures; the results of equipment and method blanks; the results of spiked and surrogate samples; the frequency of quality control analysis; and the name and qualifications of the person(s) performing the analyses.

- f. An evaluation of the effectiveness of the leachate extraction system or control facilities, which includes an evaluation of leachate buildup within the disposal units and sump areas, a summary of leachate volumes removed from the units, and a discussion of the leachate disposal/treatment methods utilized.
- g. A summary and certification of completion of all standard observations for the Pond and Plant Sites, the perimeter of the Pond and Plant Sites, and the receiving waters.
- h. The quantity and types of waste disposed of during each quarter of the reporting period, and the locations of the disposal operations. Locations of the waste placement shall be depicted on a map showing the area, if any, in which filling has been completed during the previous calendar year.
- i. Tabular and graphical summaries of the monitoring data obtained during the previous year; the report should be accompanied by a computer data disk, tabulating the year's data.
- j. The Annual Monitoring Report shall be submitted to the Board covering the previous monitoring year. The Report shall include, but is not limited to, the following:
  - i. A graphical presentation of the analytical data [§2550.7(e)(14) of Article 5, Chapter 15] for monitoring locations that have shown detectable concentrations during two consecutive monitoring events, or greater than ten percent detection frequency for any organic compound. Graphical representation must be provided for monitoring locations with metals and general chemistry analytical parameters that have an increasing trend for three consecutive monitoring events;
  - ii. A tabular summary of all the monitoring data obtained during the previous year;
  - iii. A comprehensive discussion of the compliance record, and the corrective actions taken or planned which may be needed to bring the dischargers into full compliance with the waste discharge requirements;
  - iv. A map showing the area, if any, in which filling has been completed

during the previous calendar year;

- v. A written summary of the groundwater analyses indicating any change in the quality of the groundwater; and
- vi. An evaluation of the effectiveness of the leachate monitoring/ control facilities, which includes an evaluation of leachate buildup within the disposal units, a summary of leachate volumes removed from the units, and a discussion of the leachate disposal methods utilized.
- vii. **Demonstration of Intrinsic Remediation:** The annual reports shall provide a demonstration of the on-going intrinsic remediation. These reports shall include plots showing trends in concentration over time for the COC parent compounds and degradation products of intrinsic remediation.

2. **Contingency Reporting**

- a. The discharger shall report by telephone concerning any seepage from the surface of the disposal area immediately after it is discovered. A written report shall be filed with the Board within seven days, containing at least the following information:
  - i. A map showing the location(s) of seepage;
  - ii. An estimate of the flow rate;
  - iii. A description of the nature of the discharge (e.g., all pertinent observations and analyses); and
  - iv. Corrective measures underway or proposed.
- b. Following the determination that groundwater analytical results for a compliance monitoring location exceed the WQPS concentration limits (CLs), the discharger shall evaluate QA/QC samples to determine if cross-contamination may have occurred. The discharger shall follow the procedures below for any monitoring locations still exceeding the CLs:
  - i. The discharger shall immediately re-sample at the compliance point where the CL was exceeded and re-analyze.
  - ii. If re-sampling and analysis confirm the exceedance of a CL, the discharger shall document this in the text of the next Semi-Annual Monitoring Report and notify the Board in writing within 21 days of re-sampling. In this letter, the discharger shall evaluate whether any re-sampling or additional corrective measures need to be implemented.

3. **WELL LOGS**

A boring log and a monitoring well construction log shall be submitted for each sampling well established for this monitoring program, as well as a report of inspection or certification that each well has been constructed in accordance with the construction standards of the Department of Water Resources. These shall be submitted within 45 days after the completion of well installation activities.

## PART B: MONITORING AND OBSERVATION SCHEDULE

### 1. ON-SITE OBSERVATIONS

STATION	DESCRIPTION	OBSERVATIONS	FREQUENCY
V-1 thru V-'n'	Located on the waste disposal area as delineated by a 500 foot grid network.	Standard observations for the waste management unit.	Weekly observations, report semi-annually.
P-1 thru P-'n' (perimeter)	Located at equidistant intervals not exceeding 1000 feet around the perimeter of the facility.	Standard observations for the perimeter.	Weekly observation, report semi-annually.

A map showing the visual and perimeter compliance points (V and P stations) shall be submitted by the discharger along with the semi-annual monitoring reports.

### 2. SEEPAGE MONITORING

Seepage monitoring stations include stations S-1 thru S-'n' and any point at which seepage is found occurring from the disposal area. The waste management unit perimeters of SMU1 and the Consolidation Area shall be monitored according to the following; with results reported quarterly.

STATION	DESCRIPTION	OBSERVATIONS	FREQUENCY
S-1 thru S-'n'	At any point(s) at which seepage is found occurring from the disposal area.	Standard observation for the perimeter and standard analysis other "i" (perform analysis once per seep).	Daily until remedial action is taken and seepage ceases.

### 3. A-ZONE HYDRAULIC GRADIENT MONITORING

The discharger will take monthly water level measurements from a network of paired piezometers and sumps along the length of the hydraulic control trench (HCT)/barrier wall system to evaluate its effectiveness in maintaining a groundwater depression along the perimeter of the Pond Site which prevents off-site migration of constituents of

concern. The piezometer/HCT sump pairs to be monitored are shown on Figure 1 and listed in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Hydraulic Control Monitoring Points for the Pond Site

<u>Piezometers/Wells Outside Barrier Wall</u>	<u>HCT Sumps Inside Barrier Wall</u>
GW-17A	HCT Sump 1
GW-69A	HCT Sump 2
GW-3A	HCT Sump 3
GW-77A	HCT Sump 5
PZ-230	HCT Sump 8
PZ-232	HCT Sump 11
PZ-206	HCT Sump 14
PZ-208	HCT Sump 17
PZ-211	HCT Sump 20
PZ-212	HCT Sump 22
GW-38A	Pond Sump 3A

4. CHEMICAL CONSTITUENT MONITORING

The discharger shall sample the monitoring points shown on Figure 1 and listed in Table 2 on a quarterly basis for the Monitoring Parameters shown in boldface type in Table 3. The discharger shall sample the monitoring points for the longer Constituents of Concern list every five years beginning in 1998. All monitoring activities, including analytical and QA/QC procedures will be conducted in accordance with the Groundwater Quality Monitorinl: program. Integrated Wastewater Pond System (IWPS) and Soil Management Unit 1. Chevron Chemical Company. Richmond. California. dated April 30, 1992, the revised version of this program dated July 8, 1993, and the most recent version of the Sampling and Analysis Plan.

Table 2: Chemical Monitoring Points for the Pond Site

<u>A-ZONE WELLS</u>	<u>C-ZONE WELLS</u>	<u>CASTRO CREEK</u>
GW-61A-2 (upgradient)	GW-61C-2 (upgradient)	CW-9 (upstream)
GW-31A	GW-38C	CW-7
GW-38A	GW-3C-1	CW-6
GW-3A	GW-63C	
GW-77A		
GW-78A		

Table 3: Monitoring Parameters\* and Constituents of Concern for the Pond Site

Field Measurements

**Static Water Level** (prior to purging)

**pH**

**Specific Conductivity**

**Temperature**

Metals

**Arsenic**

Chromium

**Iron**

**Lead**

**Manganese**

Nickel

Zinc

**Sodium**

Water Quality Indicators

**Ammonia**

Nitrate

**Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)**

**Chloride**

**Sulfate**

**Phenols (total)**

**Total Organic Carbon (TOC) Total**

**Organic Halogen (TOX)**

Volatile Organic Compounds

**Benzene**

Toluene

Xylenes

**Trichloroethene (TCE)**

Tetrachloroethene

cis/trans-1,2-Dichloroethene (c/t-1,2-DCE)

1,2-Dichloroethane (1,2-DCA)

Pesticides

**Chlordane**

DDT

Dieldrin

Lindane

11alathion

Orthene

Toxaphene

Trithion

Herbicides

2,4,5 TP (Silvex)

2,4D

Paraquat

Other Organic Compounds

Phthalic Anhydride (PA)

**Tetrahydrophthalic Anhydride (THPA)**

Tetrahydrophthalimide (THPI)

Fuel Hydrocarbons

**Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as Gasoline (TPH-G)**

**Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as Diesel (TPH-D)**

**Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as Kerosene (TPH-K)**

**Total Oil and Grease**

Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons

Naphthalene

Fluorine

Phenanthrene

Fluoranthene

\* Monitoring Parameters are shown in bold face type. Constituents of Concern are in normal type.

5. DETERMINATION OF WQPS CONCENTRATION LIMITS (CLS)

Due to the heterogeneous hydrogeology of the site, it is difficult to detect if and when a release has occurred by comparing constituent concentrations in upgradient wells with those in downgradient wells. To remedy this situation, an intra-well tracking of constituent concentrations over time is conducted. For those constituents that have not

historically been reported above the laboratory detection limits, the CLs are set as the Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL) or Historic Reporting Limit (HRL) for the laboratory test method for that constituent, whichever is higher. For those constituents that have historically been reported above the HRL, the CLs are evaluated through a statistical comparison with historical data using either the prediction interval method or the non-parametric prediction limit method.

The discharger shall compare the monitoring results for each quarter to the CLs shown in Table 4 to indicate whether a release from one of the regulated units in the Pond Site could have occurred.

6. Chevron Chemical shall measure groundwater elevations quarterly in all monitoring wells, and shall collect and analyze representative samples of groundwater in the Plant Site according to the schedules shown in Tables 5 and 6.

**Table 4: WOPS Concentration Limits for the Pond Site Groundwater Monitoring Program (units- mg/l)**

Chemical Constituent (Monitoring Parameters are in bold type)	PQL	GW-3A	GW-31A	GW-38A	GW-77A	GW-78A	GW-JC-1	GW-38C	GW-63C
I,2-Dichloroethane	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.016	0.002	0.002	0.002
2,4,5-TP	0.0001	0.0009	0.0005	0.0005	0.0026	0.001	0.0003	0.0005	0.0002
2,4-D	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.005	0.004	0.01	0.001	0.001	0.001
<b>Ammonia</b>	0.2	17.9	50.2	32.4	302	135	6.58	6.94	12.4
<b>Arsenic</b>	0.002	0.076	1.52	0.065	0.023	0.092	0.018	0.015	0.008
<b>Benzene</b>	0.0005	0.003	0.012	0.012	0.003	0.012	0.003	0.003	0.003
<b>Chlordane</b>	0.0006	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.003
Chromium	0.02	0.036	3	0.25	0.04	0.02	0.178	0.046	0.34
DDT	0.0001	0.0025	0.0002	0.0002	0.0005	0.0002	0.0002	0.001	0.0008
Dieldrin	0.0001	0.0025	0.0001	0.0001	0.0005	0.0004	0.0001	0.0001	0.0008
Fluoranthene	0.005	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Fluorene	0.002	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.025	0.005	0.005	0.005
<b>Lead</b>	0.1	0.32	1.48	0.288	0.153	0.015	0.196	0.11	0.23
Lindane	0.0001	0.0025	0.0001	0.0001	0.0005	0.0004	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
Malathion	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Naphthalene	0.002	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.01	0.005	0.005	0.005
Nickel	0.057	0.644	1.2	0.057	1	1.77	0.524	0.5	0.397
Nitrate	0.2	756	10	10.8	240	303	24.7	1.4	24.4
Orthene	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.12	0.12	0.06	0.06	0.06
Phthalic Anhydride	1	1	50	1	1	1	1	1	1
Paraquat	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.061	0.05	0.05	0.35
Phenanthrene	0.002	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.025	0.005	0.005	0.005
t-1,2,-Dichloroethene	0.0005	0.0022	0.276	0.021	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001
Tetrachloroethene	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0066	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008
<b>THPA</b>	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
THPI	1	11	50	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>TOG</b>	3.0	3.00	3.2	133.00	3.0	5.50	11.10	3.0	3.0
Toluene	0.0024	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.0024	0.012	0.003	0.003	0.003
Toxaphene	0.002	0.008	0.002	0.002	0.01	0.008	0.002	0.002	0.002
<b>TPH as Diesel</b>	0.75	1.40	1.10	1.56	1.20	1.70	1.30	1.10	1.40
<b>TPH as Gasoline</b>	0.20	0.48	0.62	1.23	0.38	0.50	0.50	0.20	0.38
<b>TPH as Kerosene</b>	0.75	1.5	3.00	1.50	1.50	0.97	1.50	1.50	1.50
Trichloroethene	0.0004	0.001	0.004	0.003	0.001	0.003	0.027	0.002	0.001
Trithion	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.01
Xylene (total)	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.025	0.005	0.005	0.005
Zinc	0.024	0.269	2.74	0.715	0.419	24.8	0.488	0.235	0.991

**Table 5**  
**Groundwater Monitoring Program for Plant Site Wells**

Zone	Well	Location	Sampling Frequency	pH	Spec. Cond.	Temp.	TOC	TDS	Chloride	Arsenic	VOCs	Chlordane	Lindane	Orthene	Monitor	Paraquat	2,4-D	2,4,5-TP
A	GW-7A	Upgradient	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-8A	Upgradient	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-10A	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-11A	Downgradient	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-12A	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-13A	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-14A	Plant Site	5 yrs.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-15A	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-19A	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	GW-20A	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	B-4	Plant Site	5 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
B-5	Plant Site	5 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
C	GW-7C	Upgradient	Annually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-8C	Upgradient	Annually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-8B	Upgradient	5 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-10C	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-11C	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-14C	Plant Site	5 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-15C	Plant Site	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-19C	Plant Site	Annually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-21C	Plant Site	Annually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-6C-1	Downgradient	Annually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-22C	Downgradient	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-23C	Downgradient	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-25C	Downgradient	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
GW-26C	Downgradient	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								
GW-40C	Downgradient	Biannually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								
B	GW-6B-2	Plant Site	Annually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-7B	Upgradient	Annually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
	GW-10B	Plant site	Annually	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							





Table 6 (continued) Intrinsic Remediation Monitoring Parameters

Well	D.O.	pH	ORP	Temperature	Specific Conductance
GW-7A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-8A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-10A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-11A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-12A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-13A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-15A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-19A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-20A	X	X	X	X	X
GW-6B-2	X	X	X	X	X
GW-7B	X	X	X	X	X
GW-10B	X	X	X	X	X
GW-6C-1	X	X	X	X	X
GW-7C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-8C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-10C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-11C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-15C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-19C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-21C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-22C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-23C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-25C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-26C	X	X	X	X	X
GW-40C	X	X	X	X	X

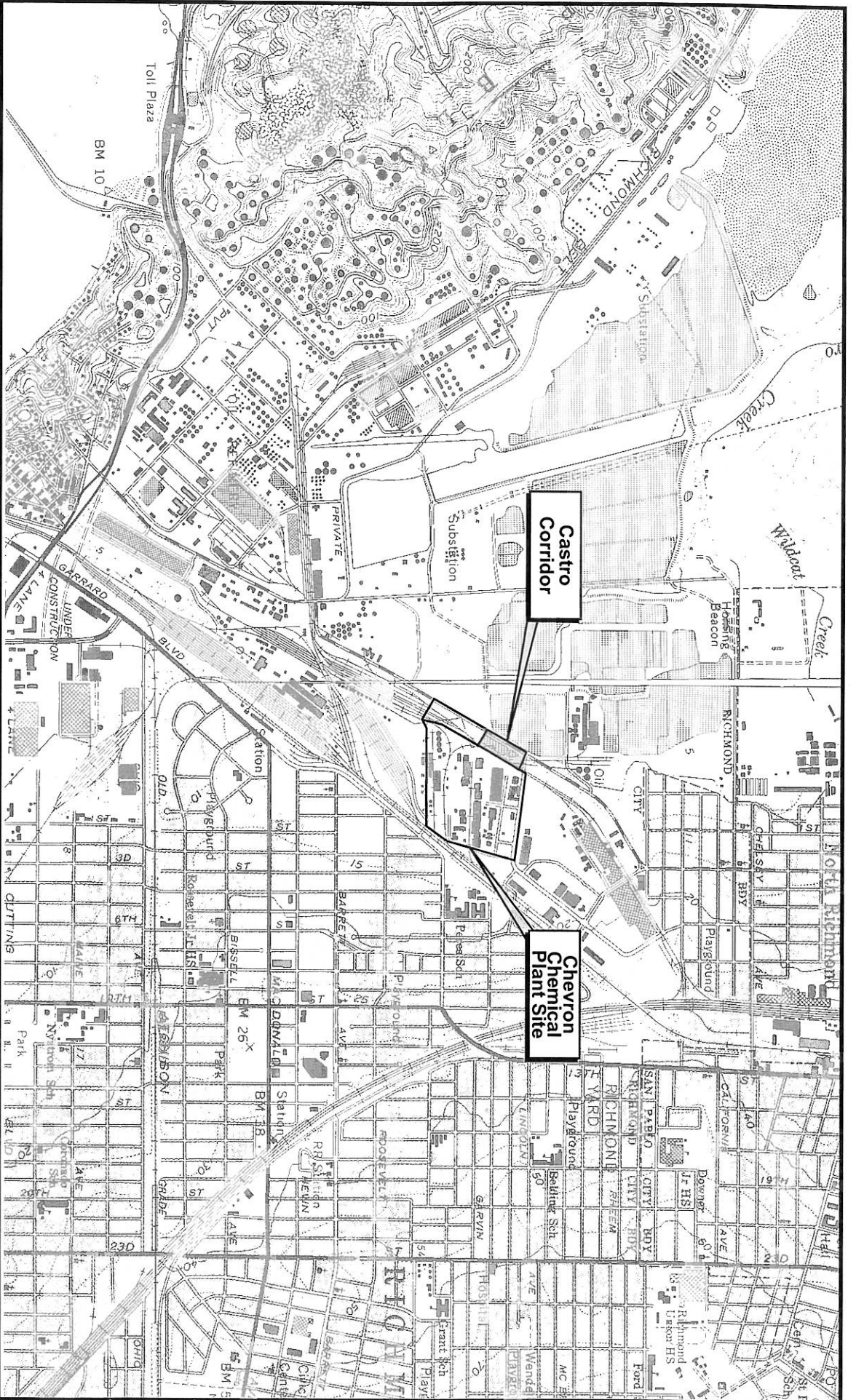
I, Bruce H. Wolfe, Executive Officer, hereby certify that the foregoing Self-Monitoring and Reporting Program:

1. Has been developed in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Board's Resolution No. 73-16 in order to obtain data and document compliance with waste discharge requirements established in this Board's Order No 97-049.
2. Is effective on the date shown below.
3. May be reviewed or modified at any time subsequent to the effective date, upon written notice from the Executive Officer.

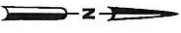
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Executive Officer

Attachment: Figure 1 -Monitoring Well Location Map



SOURCE: USGS Richmond/San Quentin  
 7.5 Minute Quadrangle,  
 1958, Photorevised 1980.



**Figure 1**  
**Location of Chevron Chemical**  
**Richmond Facility**  
 Chevron Chemical - Richmond CA

