



May 21, 2025

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Los Angeles Region
320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, California 90013
ATTN: Information Technology Unit

**Subject: Leachate Spill Report
Chiquita Canyon Landfill
File No. 67-020**

Out of an abundance of caution and in an effort to be transparent, Chiquita Canyon, LLC (“Chiquita”) voluntarily provides the following information regarding an incident that occurred on May 14, 2025 at the Chiquita Canyon Landfill, during which no more than two (2) gallons of treated leachate spilled outside of the landfill’s footprint and did not reach the stormwater channel or stormwater basin. The volume of the spill is a conservative estimate based on visual observation by Chiquita staff. Chiquita has appropriate spill response materials, including fully stocked spill kits, and trained staff on site to respond to spills and to prevent seeps from entering the stormwater system.

i. Map - A map showing the location(s) of spillage.

The spill occurred in the exit scale of the scale house, as indicated in Attachment A.

ii. Flow rate - An estimate of the flow rate.

The spill had a low flow rate.

iii. Description - A description of the nature of the discharge (e.g., all pertinent observations and analyses).

On May 14, 2025, at approximately 8:00 p.m., liquid spilled into a haul truck containment area. The liquid flowed down the pipe and through the valve that was damaged when closed. Approximately two (2) gallons of treated leachate spilled outside the scale house, but did not reach the stormwater channel or the stormwater basin. The liquid was dark brown in color with low viscosity and travelled as a light trickle.

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iv. Location – Location of sample(s) collected for laboratory analysis, as appropriate.

No sampling of this spill was conducted.

v. Corrective measures – approved (or proposed for consideration) by the Regional Board Executive Officer.

Chiquita took prompt action to address the spill by applying absorbent to the affected area and repairing the damaged valve. Cleanup was completed on the same day. To prevent a similar spill in the future, Chiquita will monitor drivers when they close valves on trucks.

If you should have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact me at (661) 257-3655.

Sincerely,
Chiquita Canyon, LLC

Nicole Ward
Assistant District Manager
Chiquita Canyon Landfill

Attachments: Attachment A – Map depicting the location of the spill

