



CHIQUITA CANYON
A Waste Connections Company

August 20, 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 Leak 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 August 13, 2025 at the Chiquita Canyon Landfill, during which no more than forty (40) gallons of non-hazardous leachate leaked and traveled outside of the landfill’s footprint. The leak reached the stormwater channel but did not travel to either stormwater basin. The volume of the leak is a conservative estimate based on visual observation by Chiquita staff. Chiquita has appropriate response materials, including fully stocked spill kits, and trained staff on site to respond to spills and leaks, to prevent liquids from entering the stormwater system.

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

The leak occurred in North Sump 4 located in grid 79, as indicated in Attachment A.

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

The leak had a low flow rate.

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

On August 13, 2025, at approximately 2:00 p.m., to the best of Chiquita’s knowledge, it appears that the air compressor connected to two sump pumps in North Sump 4 malfunctioned, which stopped the flow of air to the sump pumps and prevented them from pumping. As a result, liquids backed up into and pooled around the toe drain, crossed the perimeter road, and entered into the stormwater channel. The leak is attributable to equipment malfunction. The liquid was dark brown in color with low viscosity, and traveled as a light trickle.

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

No sampling of this leak was conducted.

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

Upon discovering the leak, Chiquita staff immediately built a check dam to stop the liquid in the stormwater channel and prevent it from reaching the stormwater basin. Chiquita staff additionally worked to repair the inoperable pumps to begin drawing down liquid from the sump and toe drain. Chiquita personnel deployed a vacuum truck to remove standing liquids and dewater the sump and toe drain. The initial phase of cleanup commenced immediately and took approximately two hours to complete. The following day, August 14, 2025, Chiquita pressure washed the stormwater channel while applying vacuum to collect all wash water. All liquids and soil impacted by the leak, including the check dam, were collected and contained in a dewatering bin, which will be sampled and disposed.

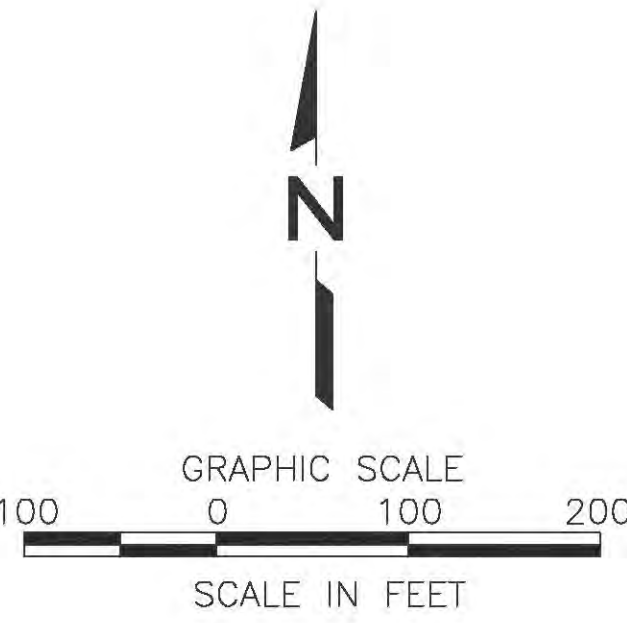
To prevent similar leaks from occurring in the future, Chiquita will continue to inspect the sump pumps located in North Sump 4 on a daily basis and replace any pumps found to be inoperable to prevent liquids from backing up.

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 leak



LEGEND

- CV-69 ACTIVE VERTICAL WELLS ABOVE GRADE
- CV-69 ACTIVE VERTICAL WELLS WITH HOV TEMP
- CV-69 ACTIVE VERTICAL WELLS WITH HOV O2
- CV-69 ACTIVE VERTICAL WELL WITH ELEVATED H2S
- CV-43 ACTIVE VERTICAL WELLS BELOW GRADE
- C-31 ACTIVE HORIZONTAL WELLS
- C-31 ACTIVE HORIZONTAL WELLS WITH HOV TEMP
- C-31 ACTIVE HORIZONTAL WELLS WITH ELEVATED H2S
- C-31 ACTIVE HORIZONTAL WELLS WITH STINGERS
- DW-1 DETECTION WELLS
- PZ-1 PIEZOMETER
- CV-38 REMOTE VERTICAL WELL HEADS
- CV-38 REMOTE VERTICAL WELL HEADS WITH HOV O2
- CV-38 REMOTE VERTICAL WELL HEADS WITH HOV TEMP
- GP-9 GAS PROBE
- V VALVE
- V VALVE VAULT
- AC ACTIVATED CARBON VESSEL
- LC-5 SAMPLE POINT

NOTES:

- EXISTING TOPOGRAPHY PLAN IS FROM PROPELLER DATA. THE TOPOGRAPHY DATA IS BASED ON AUGUST 11, 2023.
- EXISTING GCCS AS-BUILTS DATED 10-18-23.

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SHEET TITLE: LANDFILL GAS COLLECTION SYSTEM WITH SEM MAP	
PROJECT TITLE: CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL 29201 HENRY MAYO DRIVE, CASTAIC, CALIFORNIA 91384	
CLIENT: SCS ENGINEERS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS	
DATE: 10-20-2013	
SCALE: 1" = 100'	
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