



November 12, 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 November 5, 2025 at the Chiquita Canyon Landfill (the “Landfill”), during which no more than forty-nine (49) gallons of hazardous leachate associated with Group A leaked outside of the Landfill’s footprint. Of those forty-nine (49) gallons, approximately forty-five (45) gallons of liquid from the leak reached the stormwater channel, but no liquid reached either sedimentation basin. The volume of the leak is a conservative estimate based on visual observation by Chiquita staff. Chiquita maintains appropriate response materials, including fully stocked spill kits, and has 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 from north sump #4 located within grids 79-80 – as depicted 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 November 5, 2025, at approximately 8:45 a.m., to the best of Chiquita’s knowledge, the pneumatic pump installed in north sump #4 was not able to maintain appropriate accumulation levels, and as a result, liquids pooled and flowed from the sump into the stormwater channel. This pump has since been replaced with a Lorentz pump as explained below. Chiquita attributes

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this leak to equipment malfunction. The liquid was dark brown in color with low viscosity and travelled 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 personnel placed fresh soil on top of the liquid to stop and contain the flow of liquid. The liquid that reached the stormwater channel was contained by a soil check dam. Chiquita then immediately deployed a vacuum truck to the north side sump to draw down the liquid. The vacuum truck also removed standing liquid from the stormwater channel. The liquid was then treated using the Landfill's granular activated carbon treatment system. Soil from the impacted area was placed in a roll off bin for proper disposal. The stormwater channel was then pressure washed while applying vacuum to ensure the collection of all wash water. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within two (2) to three (3) hours.

To prevent similar leaks occurring in the future, Chiquita personnel replaced the pneumatic pump with a Lorentz pump and will also begin conducting routine dewatering of the sump.

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

Sincerely,
Chiquita Canyon, LLC

Amanda Froman
Compliance Manager
Chiquita Canyon Landfill

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



SCS ENGINEERS		CLIENT:	
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS			
DATE:	SHEET TITLE:	SCALE:	REVISION
10-26-2013	LANDFILL GAS COLLECTION SYSTEM WITH SEM MAP	1" = 100'	NO.
PROJECT TITLE:	CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL	1" = 100'	DATE
390 KILROY APPROX SUITE 100 LONG BEACH, CA 90806 PH. (52) 426-9444	29201 HENRY MAYO DRIVE, CASTAIC, CALIFORNIA 91384	1" = 100'	
PROJ. NO.	DW. BY:	DS. BY:	APP. BY:
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	ACADFILE:		
	3D: JH/JW/CCL/LEGASS		