



CHIQUITA CANYON
A Waste Connections Company

January 27, 2026

Via E-Mail

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Re: Chiquita Canyon, LLC's Weekly Report on the Documentation and Tracking of Cover Issues

Dear Ms. Gork:

In accordance with the Local Enforcement Agency's ("LEA") May 2, 2024 letter approving Chiquita's April 16, 2024 Second Revised Written Plan for Documenting and Tracking Cover Issues ("Second Revised Written Plan"), the LEA's May 29, 2024 letter, and the LEA's June 6, 2024 Compliance Order, Chiquita presents the enclosed report for documenting and tracking cover issues for the week of January 19, 2026 to January 24, 2026.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Regards,

Sarah Phillips

Sarah Phillips
Corporate Compliance Manager
Waste Connections

Attachment: January 27, 2026 Weekly Cover Issues Report
cc: Mark Como, Department of Public Health
Eric Morofuji, Department of Public Health

Fissures and Tension Cracks

4050 - Chiquita Reaction Area Tracking of Fissures and Tension Cracks

19 Jan 2026 / Tom Roe

Complete

Conducted on

19 Jan 2026 9:28 AM PST

Prepared by

Tom Roe

Chiquita Reaction Area Tracking of Fissures and Tension Cracks

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1

Fissure or Tension Crack Found?

Yes

Using the attached image, annotate all areas where inspectors identified a fissure or tension crack.



Grid Location

147

Date and Time Found

19 Jan 2026 9:29 AM PST

Image of Fissure/Tension Crack



Photo 1



Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 4

Length of crack (ft) or area containing multiple cracks (ft x ft) 20ft x 35ft

Horizontal Offset (width) Small 0.5-2" in width

Vertical Offset (height) Extra small <0.5" in height

Orientation (direction) NW to SE

Location Castaic CA 91384
United States
(34.43567367802216,
-118.64639309158599)

Was Fissure or Crack fixed? If yes, add photo and description of repairs performed Yes



Photo 5

Date and time of repairs 19 Jan 2026 11:15 AM PST

Description of repairs Cracks were track walked.

Instability

Are there any indications of slope stability concerns?

No

4050 - Chiquita Reaction Area Tracking of Fissures and Tension Cracks

20 Jan 2026 / Tom Roe

Complete

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20 Jan 2026 9:02 AM PST

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Tom Roe

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Fissure or Tension Crack Found?

Yes

Using the attached image, annotate all areas where inspectors identified a fissure or tension crack.



Grid Location

148

Date and Time Found

20 Jan 2026 9:25 AM PST

Image of Fissure/Tension Crack



Photo 1



Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 4



Photo 5

Length of crack (ft) or area containing multiple cracks (ft x ft)

60ft x 45ft

No individual crack over 50 ft.

Horizontal Offset (width)

Small 0.5-2" in width

Vertical Offset (height)

Extra small <0.5" in height

Orientation (direction)

NW to SE

Location

Castaic CA 91384
United States
(34.435364473315495,
-118.64598173415024)

Was Fissure or Crack fixed? If yes, add photo and description of repairs performed

Yes



Photo 6

Date and time of repairs

20 Jan 2026 9:50 AM PST

Description of repairs

Cracks were track walked.

Chiquita Reaction Area Tracking of Fissures and Tension Cracks
2

Fissure or Tension Crack Found?

Yes

Using the attached image, annotate all areas where inspectors identified a fissure or tension crack.



Grid Location

164

Date and Time Found

20 Jan 2026 10:13 AM PST

Image of Fissure/Tension Crack



Photo 7



Photo 8



Photo 9

Length of crack (ft) or area containing multiple cracks (ft x ft)	40ft x 6ft
Horizontal Offset (width)	Extra Small <0.5 in width
Vertical Offset (height)	Extra small <0.5" in height
Orientation (direction)	E to W
Location	Castaic CA 91384 United States (34.43252671347615, -118.64837630125139)
Was Fissure or Crack fixed? If yes, add photo and description of repairs performed	Yes



Photo 10

Date and time of repairs	20 Jan 2026 12:08 PM PST
Description of repairs	Cracks were track walked.
Instability	
Are there any indications of slope stability concerns?	No

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21 Jan 2026 / Tom Roe

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21 Jan 2026 9:43 AM PST

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Fissure or Tension Crack Found?

Yes

Using the attached image, annotate all areas where inspectors identified a fissure or tension crack.



Grid Location

82

Date and Time Found

21 Jan 2026 9:53 AM PST

Image of Fissure/Tension Crack




Photo 1



Photo 2

Length of crack (ft) or area containing multiple cracks (ft x ft)

15ft x 3ft

Horizontal Offset (width)	Extra Small <0.5 in width
Vertical Offset (height)	Extra small <0.5" in height
Orientation (direction)	NE to SW
Location	Castaic CA 91384 United States (34.43437523960082, -118.64572449211354)
Was Fissure or Crack fixed? If yes, add photo and description of repairs performed	Yes
	
Photo 3	
Date and time of repairs	21 Jan 2026 11:28 AM PST
Description of repairs	Cracks were track walked.
Instability	
Are there any indications of slope stability concerns?	No

4050 - Chiquita Reaction Area Tracking of Fissures and Tension Cracks

22 Jan 2026 / John Boucher

Complete

Conducted on

22 Jan 2026 10:05 AM PST

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John Boucher

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1

Fissure or Tension Crack Found?

No

Grid 90



Photo 1

Instability

Are there any indications of slope stability concerns?

No

4050 - Chiquita Reaction Area Tracking of Fissures and Tension Cracks

23 Jan 2026 / John Boucher

Complete

Conducted on

23 Jan 2026 8:09 AM PST

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John Boucher

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Fissure or Tension Crack Found?

No

Grid 164



Photo 1

Instability

Are there any indications of slope stability concerns?

No

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24 Jan 2026 / John Boucher

Complete

Conducted on

24 Jan 2026 7:42 AM PST

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John Boucher

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Fissure or Tension Crack Found?

No

Grid 53



Photo 1

Instability

Are there any indications of slope stability concerns?

No

Settlement

The bi-weekly drone flyover was not conducted this week. The drone data from the next flyover event will be included in the next weekly report.

Geosynthetic Cover

4050 - Geosynthetic Cover Inspection

19 Jan 2026 / Tom Roe

Complete

Flagged items

0

Conducted on

19 Jan 2026 9:26 AM PST

Prepared by

Tom Roe

Identification of Issues

Identified Issue

Identified Issue 1

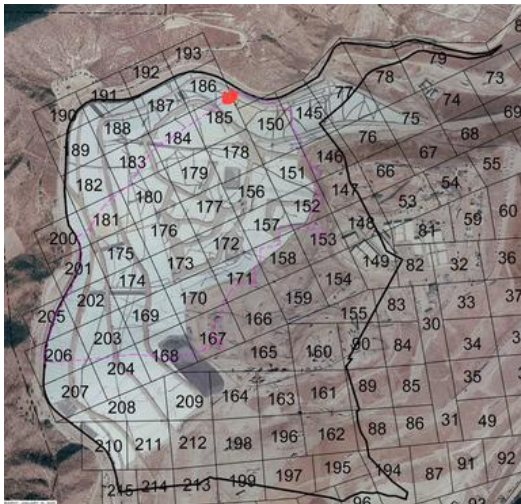
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

19 Jan 2026 1:30 PM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

185

Take photo of identified issues

Photo is not available

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Small hole in cover associated with a failed weld between 30 mil and 60 mil covers needs to be patched and extrusion welded.

Take photo of repair



Photo 1

Description of repair work	Hole was patched and extrusion welded.
Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)	19 Jan 2026 2:15 PM PST
Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)	
Are further permanent repairs required?	No
Instability under the cover	
Are there any anomalous (unusual or unexpected) areas of cover damage or deformation that may indicate underlying instability?	No
Are there any signs of a downslope tension crack at the top of the slope or bulging at or near the toe of the slope?	No
Is there any movement of the equipment that vertically penetrates the cover (e.g., tilting)?	No

4050 - Geosynthetic Cover Inspection

20 Jan 2026 / Tom Roe

Complete

Flagged items

0

Conducted on

20 Jan 2026 9:17 AM PST

Prepared by

Tom Roe

Identification of Issues

Identified Issue

Identified Issue 1

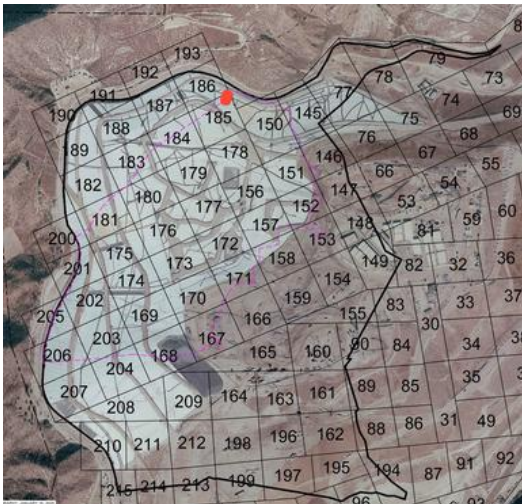
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

20 Jan 2026 11:45 AM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

185

Take photo of identified issues



Photo 1



Photo 2

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Repair made on 11/19 failed and needs to be patched and extrusion welded. Additional small hole in weld between 30mil and 60mil liner found nearby in same

Take photo of repair



Photo 3



Photo 4

Description of repair work

Holes were patched and extrusion welded.

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

20 Jan 2026 12:31 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

Are further permanent repairs required?

No

Identified Issue 2

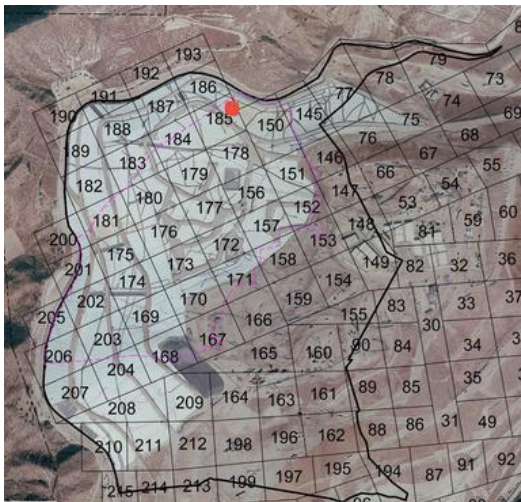
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

20 Jan 2026 3:19 PM PST

Grid Location



Take photo of identified issues



Photo 5

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Small hole in weld with condensation coming out. Hole was taped before it could be photographed

Take photo of repair



Photo 6

Description of repair work

Hole was tape upon discovery.

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

20 Jan 2026 3:22 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

Are further permanent repairs required?

Final repair scheduled for 1/28/26

Yes

Instability under the cover

Are there any anomalous (unusual or unexpected) areas of cover damage or deformation that may indicate underlying instability?

No

Are there any signs of a downslope tension crack at the top of the slope or bulging at or near the toe of the slope?

No

Is there any movement of the equipment that vertically penetrates the cover (e.g., tilting)?

No

4050 - Geosynthetic Cover Inspection

21 Jan 2026 / Tom Roe

Complete

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0

Conducted on

21 Jan 2026 9:45 AM PST

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Identification of Issues

Identified Issue

Identified Issue 1

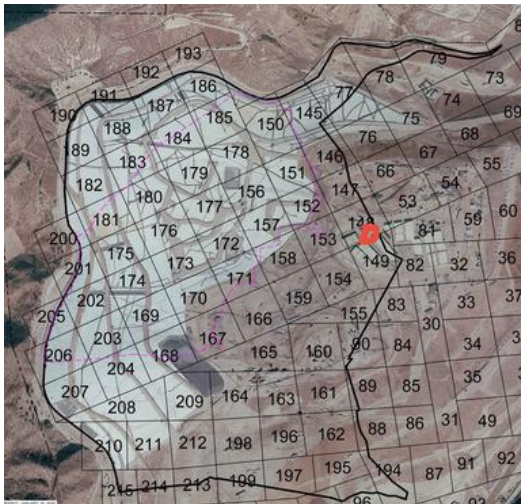
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

21 Jan 2026 2:56 PM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

148

Take photo of identified issues



Photo 1

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Liner torn. Needs to be patched and extrusion welded

Take photo of repair



Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 4

Description of repair work

Tear was taped and sandbagged upon discovery. Permanent repair of extrusion welded patch completed later.

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

21 Jan 2026 2:58 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

26 Jan 2026 2:19 PM PST

Are further permanent repairs required?

No

Identified Issue 2

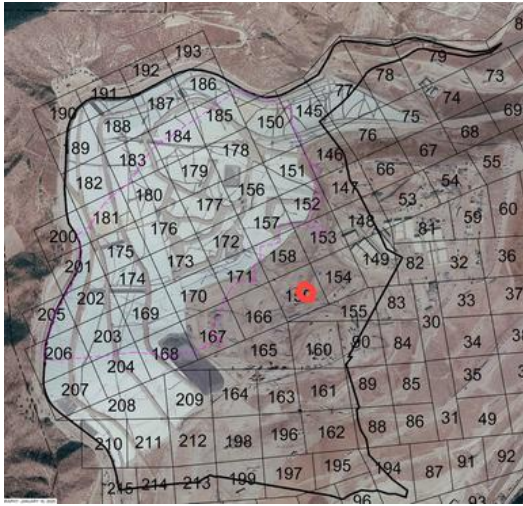
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

21 Jan 2026 3:18 PM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

159

Take photo of identified issues



Photo 5



Photo 6

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Two tears in liner in close proximity to each other needs to be patched/extrusion welded.

Take photo of repair



Photo 7



Photo 8



Photo 9



Photo 10

Description of repair work

Tears taped and sandbagged upon discovery. Tears were later patched and extrusion welded.

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

21 Jan 2026 3:21 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

26 Jan 2026 2:58 PM PST

Are further permanent repairs required?

No

Identified Issue 3

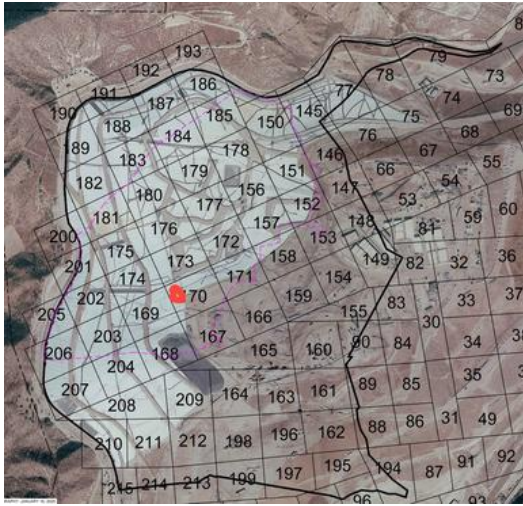
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

21 Jan 2026 3:34 PM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

170

Take photo of identified issues



Photo 11

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Tear in liner needs to be patched and extrusion welded.

Take photo of repair



Photo 12

Description of repair work

Tear taped and sandbagged upon discovery

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

21 Jan 2026 3:38 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

23 Jan 2026 3:16 PM PST

Liner was patched and extrusion welded



Photo 13

Are further permanent repairs required?

No

Identified Issue 4

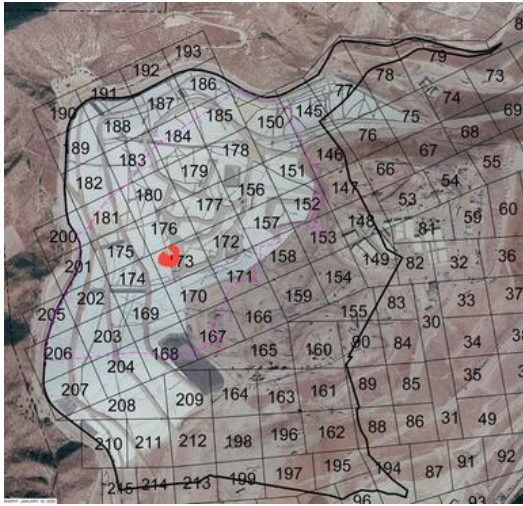
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

21 Jan 2026 3:41 PM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

173

Take photo of identified issues



Photo 14



Photo 15



Photo 16

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

4 tears in close proximity to each

other need to be patched/extrusion welded.

Take photo of repair



Photo 17



Photo 18

Description of repair work

Tears taps upon discovery. Tears were later extrusion welded.

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

21 Jan 2026 3:45 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

23 Jan 2026 3:17 PM PST

Are further permanent repairs required?

No

Instability under the cover

Are there any anomalous (unusual or unexpected) areas of cover damage or deformation that may indicate underlying instability?

No

Are there any signs of a downslope tension crack at the top of the slope or bulging at or near the toe of the slope?

No

Is there any movement of the equipment that vertically penetrates the cover (e.g., tilting)?

No

4050 - Geosynthetic Cover Inspection

22 Jan 2026 / John Boucher

Complete

Flagged items

0

Conducted on

22 Jan 2026 11:09 AM PST

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John Boucher

Identification of Issues

Identified Issue

Identified Issue 1

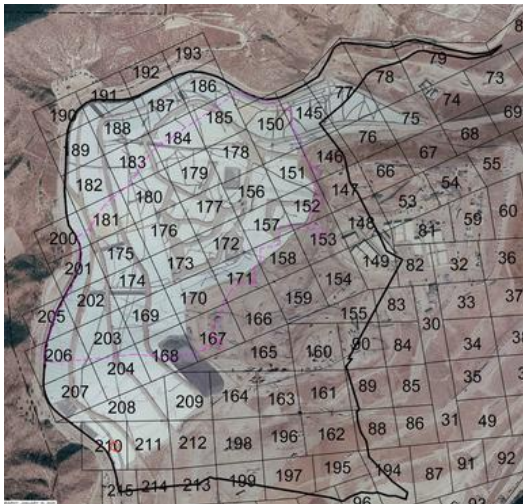
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

22 Jan 2026 12:52 PM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

210

Take photo of identified issues



Photo 1

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Small hole in liner. Needs to be patched and extrusion welded

Take photo of repair



Photo 2



Photo 3

Description of repair work

Hole was sealed with flex tape upon discovery. Hole was later patched and extrusion welded.

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

22 Jan 2026 2:25 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

27 Jan 2026 8:38 AM PST

Are further permanent repairs required?

No

Instability under the cover

Are there any anomalous (unusual or unexpected) areas of cover damage or deformation that may indicate underlying instability?

No

Are there any signs of a downslope tension crack at the top of the slope or bulging at or near the toe of the slope?

No

Is there any movement of the equipment that vertically penetrates the cover (e.g., tilting)?

No

4050 - Geosynthetic Cover Inspection

23 Jan 2026 / John Boucher

Complete

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Conducted on

23 Jan 2026 10:37 AM PST

Prepared by

John Boucher

Identification of Issues

Identified Issue

Identified Issue 1

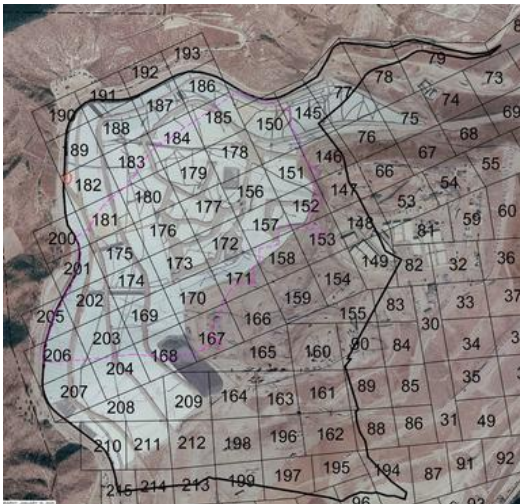
Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

23 Jan 2026 12:28 PM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

182

Take photo of identified issues



Photo 1



Photo 2

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Liner torn, needs to be patched and extrusion welded

Take photo of repair



Photo 3



Photo 4

Description of repair work

Tears were temporarily sealed using flex tape and a piece piece of liner

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

23 Jan 2026 1:31 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

Are further permanent repairs required?

Yes

Permanent repairs scheduled for 1/28/26

Identified Issue 2

Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

Yes

Date and Time Issue Found

23 Jan 2026 12:30 PM PST

Grid Location



Grid Number

205

Take photo of identified issues



Photo 5

Notate what the issue is and what needs to be repaired

Liner torn. Needs to be patched and extrusion welded

Take photo of repair



Photo 6

Description of repair work

Liner was patched and extrusion welded

Date and time of repair (within 2 hours)

23 Jan 2026 1:33 PM PST

Date and time of permanent repair (if needed)

Are further permanent repairs required?

No

Instability under the cover

Are there any anomalous (unusual or unexpected) areas of cover damage or deformation that may indicate underlying instability?

No

Are there any signs of a downslope tension crack at the top of the slope or bulging at or near the toe of the slope?

No

Is there any movement of the equipment that vertically penetrates the cover (e.g., tilting)?

No

4050 - Geosynthetic Cover Inspection

24 Jan 2026 / John Boucher

Complete

Flagged items

0

Conducted on

24 Jan 2026 7:42 AM PST

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John Boucher

Identification of Issues

Identified Issue

Identified Issue 1

Are there any issues with the geosynthetic cover?

No



Photo 1



Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 4

Instability under the cover

Are there any anomalous (unusual or unexpected) areas of cover damage or deformation that may indicate underlying instability?

No

Are there any signs of a downslope tension crack at the top of the slope or bulging at or near the toe of the slope?

No

Is there any movement of the equipment that vertically penetrates the cover (e.g., tilting)?

No