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October 13, 2026

Via E-Mail

Bob Lewis

Chair of Chiquita Canyon Landfill Community Advisory Committee

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Re: Chiquita Canyon, LLC's Comments for October 13, 2026 Chiquita Canyon Landfill Community Advisory Committee Meeting

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Below please find Chiquita Canyon, LLC's ("Chiquita") comments for the upcoming Chiquita Canyon Landfill Community Advisory Committee ("CAC") meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2026. Chiquita provides these comments in the hope of streamlining our presentation during the meeting and providing further transparency. Chiquita will also post this letter to Chiquita's Odor Mitigation website (<https://chiquitacanyon.com/odor-mitigation/>) by Tuesday, October 13. All letters will be posted on the "Community Meetings" tab under the "Community Advisory Committee Meeting" drop down menu.

West Toe Buttress Project

As of September 24, 2026, Chiquita completed construction of the West Toe Buttress Project. Ancillary work, including road and stormwater infrastructure improvements, is ongoing and is expected to be completed by October 15, 2026. Additionally, Chiquita is preparing responses to further comments received from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") on September 11, 2026, regarding the Third Revised West Toe Buttress Work Plan, submitted on August 14, 2026.

EPA Additional Work Letter

On September 24, 2026, EPA issued an Additional Work Letter directing Chiquita to implement improvements to its gas collection and control system. The requested work includes, among other things, modifications to the collection and routing of leachate vapors and improvements to combustion and related controls at the flare and thermal oxidizer stations. Chiquita and EPA are currently discussing the scope and implementation of the requested work.

Community Exposure Mitigation Plan

As reported last month, on June 12, 2026, Chiquita submitted a Community Exposure Mitigation Plan ("CEMP") that addresses the steps Chiquita will take to protect the community in the event of a slope failure or catastrophic event anywhere at the Landfill. On July 31, Public Health issued a formal determination of non-compliance with its prior public health directive and directed

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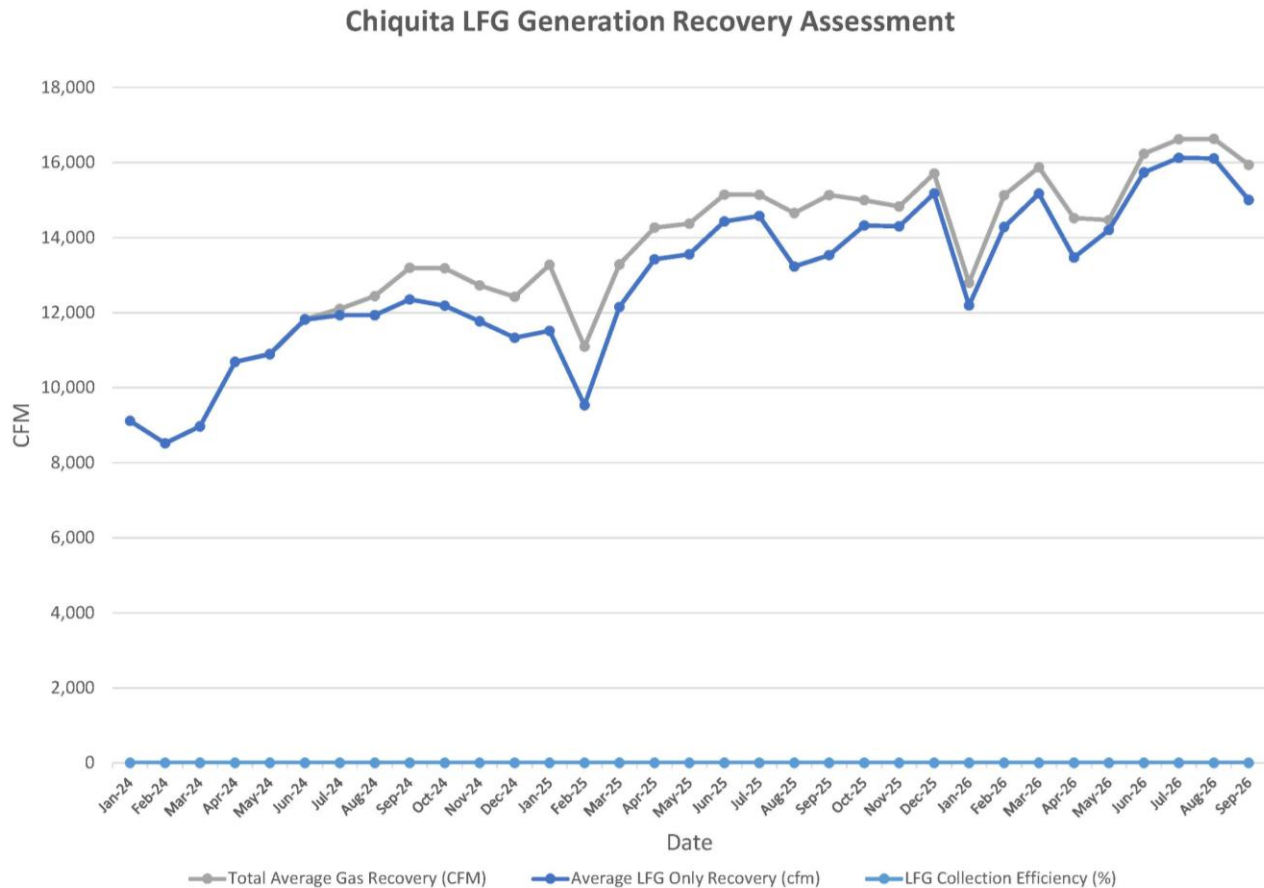
Chiquita to submit a revised plan by August 7. Chiquita's August 7 submission expands the discussion of community-protection measures, coordination with emergency response agencies, communication protocols, and community-facing measures. On August 28, Public Health requested further revisions to the CEMP, which Chiquita timely submitted on September 4.

Stormwater Management

Stormwater Management: Chiquita is continuing to prepare for the rainy season and predicted El Niño conditions by removing sediment from stormwater basins for additional capacity and ensuring site best management practices, consistent with Chiquita's stormwater pollution prevention plan, are in place.

Flares and Thermal Oxidizers

As previously noted, Chiquita has enhanced its on-site flaring capacity. Chiquita now has 3 flares and 5 thermal oxidizer ("TOx") units onsite, and plans to install a fourth flare. Chiquita has also consistently increased its overall destruction capacity (i.e., gas recovery). The below graph depicts the overall increase in total destruction (i.e., total average gas recovery) at the site between January 2024 and September 2026.



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Flare Downtime: Since the last CAC meeting, there have been seven major unplanned downtime events at Flare 2 and five major unplanned downtime events at Flare 3. A major downtime event means one lasting longer than four hours. All events were due to flame failure and have since been addressed through major cleanings of the flares, and main header network.

Thermal Oxidizer Downtime: Since the last CAC meeting, there have been six major unplanned downtime events at the Parnel TOx unit. Five events were due to flame failure, and one event was due to installation of a new sump. The Parnel TOx unit is now being run as a backup device in the event a main flare is offline, as there was insufficient gas to prevent flame failure. There have also been two major unplanned downtime events at the Zeeco #7 unit. One event was due to necessary work on overhead lines, and the other event was an extension of a planned shutdown to remove and regrade the surface due to settlement.

Shutdown Notifications: Initial shutdown notifications, corresponding follow-up written downtime reports, and resumed operation notifications are submitted to the South Coast Air Quality Management District ("South Coast AQMD") and corresponding alerts are posted on the front page of Chiquita's main website (<https://chiquitacanyon.com/>).

Additional Flaring Capacity: There are no updates regarding Flare 4 construction while Chiquita continues to wait for regulatory approvals.

Operational Improvements

Landfill gas extraction wells and dewatering infrastructure: Chiquita installed 5 additional vertical dual-extraction wells since the last CAC meeting. 1 was installed in the reaction mitigation area, 2 were installed east of the reaction mitigation area, and 2 were installed south of the reaction mitigation area. In total, 343 dual-extraction wells have been installed since December 6, 2023.

Chiquita currently has approximately 50 pumps in operation in perimeter sumps and 193 additional pumps in operation in the vertical dual-extraction wells. Chiquita has continued to add new pumps to increase the total number of operating pumps. All pumps that are operational are online and pumping. All pumps that are offline are offline due to required operation and maintenance ("O&M") of either the pump itself or the well. This could mean that a well has a pump that requires O&M before it can be brought back online, or that the well needs O&M first before a pump can be installed and brought online.

As stated in previous months, Chiquita is now pumping at full capacity.

Chiquita continues to explore options for different leachate treatment methods under EPA oversight and continues to attempt to identify new disposal options.

Leachate disposal: The leachate disposed as of the week of September 28 - October 4 was 1,824,649 gallons.

Temperature monitoring probes: Since the last CAC meeting, temperatures recorded from the 40 temperature monitoring probes ("TMPs") operating onsite have been steady on average. The highest in-situ waste temperature recorded from a TMP in September was 275 degrees Fahrenheit at the 130-foot depth of TP-25, which is inside the reaction mitigation area. The highest landfill gas wellhead temperature reading in September was 201 degrees Fahrenheit at well CV-2558,

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which is lower than August's highest wellhead temperature and within the reaction mitigation area. The TMPs have been drilled to the maximum depths possible utilizing three drilling techniques.

Spill, Leak, and Pressurized Leachate Release Data

We continue to evaluate potential trends and diligently implement new procedures as appropriate to help prevent and reduce the frequency of future spills or leaks, such as repairing infrastructure and implementing new training procedures.

In September, there were 26 leachate leaks, spills, and pressurized leachate releases ("PLRs") with a total volume of approximately 288 gallons. This is a fewer total number and lesser total quantity of leaks and spills than we had in August, where we saw 27 leaks and spills with a total volume of approximately 526 gallons. The largest event in September was a PLR of approximately 100 gallons. It was attributable to equipment malfunction and was contained before reaching the stormwater channel or either stormwater basin. Chiquita also took corrective actions to minimize the potential for similar leaks, including reinforcing best management practices and equipment inspection procedures with contractors and personnel.

As requested, each month, Chiquita prepares a summary of all leachate spills, leaks, and pressurized leachate releases. The summary as of September 30, 2026 is attached here as **Attachment A** and is available on Chiquita's Odor Mitigation website under the dropdown for the reports submitted pursuant to Condition 27(e) of the South Coast AQMD Stipulated Order for Abatement in Case No. 6177-4 ("SOFA") (also available [here](#)).

Air Quality Monitoring Data

As requested, we compile a summary of air monitoring exceedances each month. The summary from September 2026 is attached here as **Attachment B**.

There were no hydrogen sulfide or benzene detections above the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment's ("OEHHA") acute Reference Exposure Level ("REL") in September. This report is available on Chiquita's Odor Mitigation Website.

On Thursday, October 8, 2026, benzene was falsely recorded above the acute REL of 8 parts per billion (ppb) at MS-03 onsite. This event involved two readings recorded above the acute REL at 12.97 and 16.03 ppb at 1:00 AM and 2:00 AM, respectively. These readings were accompanied by two public notifications distributed through Chiquita's automatic alert subscription list. SCS engineers and Tricorn Tech ("TCT"), the Micro GC manufacturer, were immediately notified of the readings and promptly began a formal investigation of the event. Based on the investigation of on-site activities, wind direction, air monitoring data, and a quality assurance/quality control analysis, SCS engineers and TCT concluded that the elevated benzene levels were erroneous readings due to a software calculation error and an incorrect parameter setting. Additionally, the corrected concentrations were found to be significantly lower than originally reported and well below the REL.

As required under the SOFA, a report on these detections is being submitted to South Coast AQMD today.

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Implementation of the Department of Toxic Substances Control's Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Determination Order

Chiquita continues to try to work cooperatively with the Department of Toxic Substances Control ("DTSC") on implementing the Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Determination and Order, Docket No. HSA-FY24/25-082, issued on April 2, 2025 ("ISE Order"). The DTSC ISE Order required the development and implementation of three workplans to (1) extend the covered area of the Landfill, (2) relocate Tank Farm 9, and (3) install a vertical barrier to prevent the reaction from spreading to certain areas of the Landfill. All three workplans require DTSC's review and approval. To date, DTSC has not approved any of the workplans.

Geomembrane Cover: As of September 25, 2026, Chiquita has installed approximately 95.2 acres of the additional geomembrane cover (12.6 acres were added since last month's meeting). Chiquita submitted an updated cover extension workplan which was modified by DTSC and made available for public comment on July 13. As directed by DTSC, Chiquita mailed community updates related to the workplan on July 17, and published public notice of the workplan on July 21. The public comment period was open until September 7 and Chiquita submitted comments on that date.

Tank Farm 13: As noted previously, on June 3, 2026, Chiquita received a joint directive from EPA and DTSC to relocate Tank Farm 13 to an unspecified location. Chiquita met with EPA and DTSC on June 17, 2026 to discuss long-term management of leachate, including siting options for the tank farm. Following that meeting, EPA and DTSC sent a joint letter to Chiquita on June 26 requesting that Chiquita submit a long-term leachate treatment plan. Chiquita submitted its long-term leachate treatment plan on September 1. In the meantime, EPA, DTSC, and Chiquita's other regulators continue to evaluate siting options for the tank farm.

Separately, on September 14, 2026, Chiquita submitted a response to DTSC's January 23, 2026 Notice of Noncompliance regarding tank labels in Tank Farm 13.

Protection of Cell 8A: DTSC initially requested installation of a vertical barrier to protect Cell 8A from the reaction. After exchange of correspondence, DTSC gave Chiquita an option to propose alternative methods to protect Cell 8A. Chiquita submitted a Feasibility Study Work Plan to DTSC on March 30, 2026 that proposed alternative solutions to protect Cell 8A. This work plan has not yet been approved by DTSC. On July 29, 2026, DTSC directed Chiquita to submit an engineering evaluation/cost analysis ("EE/CA") by September 30 to further develop and analyze the proposed alternative solutions to protect Cell 8A. Chiquita submitted an EE/CA on September 30.

Separately, DTSC requested that Chiquita undertake a global stability analysis of the Landfill. Chiquita developed a Comprehensive Global Stability Study Work Plan, which DTSC fully approved on May 21, 2026. Chiquita submitted a draft Global Stability Study Report prepared under this Work Plan to the LEA and DTSC on September 14, 2026.

Chiquita will continue to actively manage this situation and work cooperatively with its regulators to meet all legal and regulatory requirements.

Tataviam Tribal Consultation

Chiquita consults the Tataviam tribe as required by our Conditional Use Permit and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, which are available on our website [here](#).

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: Attachment A – Summary of all leachate spills and leaks reported as of
September 30, 2026
Attachment B – Summary of air monitoring exceedances from September 2026

ATTACHMENT A

Chiquita Canyon Landfill (Facility ID 119219), Castaic, California, Modified Stipulated Order for Abatement (Case No. 6177-4) - Condition 27(e) Leachate Leaks and Spills

Date Discovered	Time Discovered	Spill / Leak	Estimated Volume	Stormwater Channel/Basin	Root Cause	Initial Corrective Actions	Cleanup Actions	Actions to Prevent Reoccurrence
9/1/2026	4:15 p.m.	Spill	15 gallons	No	The third-party driver did not closely monitor the liquid level inside the trailer. As a result, treated non-hazardous leachate spilled from the pressure relief valve on top of the third-party tanker truck.	The pump was immediately shut off to stop the flow of liquid into the third-party tanker truck and absorbent material was applied to contain the spill.	The absorbent was removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 30 minutes.	Chiquita discussed the event with the third-party trucking company regarding the need for its drivers to follow applicable load-out procedures to prevent spills. Chiquita also instructed site personnel to stop the loading process if a high liquid level is observed.
9/3/2026	8:30 a.m.	Spill	50 gallons	No	A third-party loader operator inadvertently struck a buried, unmarked 4-inch HDPE pipe, damaging the pipe and causing leachate to spill.	A dirt berm was built around the affected pipe to contain the leachate, and pinchers were placed on the pipe to stop the flow of leachate.	The affected soil was removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 1-2 hours.	Chiquita reviewed the incident with the third-party contractor and loader operator and reinforced work practices for operating near buried or exposed infrastructure, including confirming known line locations and markings before work, maintaining appropriate equipment clearance, and using a spotter when warranted. Line markings were checked and refreshed as needed. Chiquita management reviewed implementation of these measures on September 9, 2026.
9/3/2026	1:40 p.m.	Spill	0.5 cups	No	The hose was disconnected from the 6-inch vacuum line before the residual liquid had fully drained, causing leachate to spill onto the exterior of the hose and a portion of the well.	Chiquita personnel contained the residual liquid within the hose, and no additional flow of liquid occurred.	No liquid pooled on the ground/liner, and no visible staining, discoloration, or residue was left behind. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 1 minute.	The Chiquita operator involved in the incident acknowledged the need to allow sufficient time for the hose to drain before disconnecting it from the vacuum line and will follow this practice going forward to prevent recurrence.
9/4/2026	3:20 p.m.	Leak	1 gallon	No	Liquid entered the vacuum line, resulting in a buildup of pressure within the ARV. The accumulated liquid then leaked from the top of the ARV.	Personnel promptly closed the ball valve on the HDPE pipe connected to the ARV, stopping the flow of liquid into the ARV.	Absorbent was promptly applied to the area affected. The affected soil was then removed and properly disposed of. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 3 hours.	Chiquita inspected the ARV vaults to determine the cause of liquid accumulation and regraded the vacuum line to achieve improved drainage to minimize the potential for future spills or leaks.
9/8/2026	10:30 a.m.	Spill	3 gallons	No	Liquid was directed to tank number D/SW-01 due to operational circumstances arising from a laboratory error to prevent overflow. Because the tank did not have sufficient vacuum to maintain the necessary negative pressure as liquid accumulated, the tank became pressurized. When the vent cap was opened, the resulting pressure differential caused leachate to spill.	The vent cap was immediately closed to stop the flow of leachate.	Absorbent was applied to the affected area, which was then removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 15 minutes.	Chiquita added vacuum lines on September 10, 2026, to ensure tank number D/SW-01 maintains the necessary vacuum and operates under negative pressure. The added vacuum lines will prevent pressure from building within the tank and reduce the likelihood of similar spills in the future.
9/10/2026	12:45 p.m.	Leak	1 cup	No	Liquid accumulated in the vacuum line, causing an increase in pressure and leachate to leak through the flange.	A utility tray containing absorbent material was placed beneath the leaking flange to contain the liquid and was then properly disposed of in an appropriate container.	The leaking flange was cleaned with an absorbent wipe, which was then properly disposed of in an appropriate container. Cleanup commenced and was completed immediately.	The flange was replaced, and temporary fittings were installed while a new connection point for the vacuum well was completed. The new connection allows pressure to be properly dispersed. Chiquita is continuing to install new vacuum-line connections and equipment upgrades.
9/11/2026	9:00 a.m.	Leak	0.5 gallons	No	The fitting associated with the pump failed or otherwise lost integrity.	The related valve was promptly closed to stop the flow of liquid.	Absorbent was immediately applied to the affected area. The soiled absorbent was then placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 5 minutes.	Chiquita replaced the affected fitting.
9/13/2026	3:30 p.m.	Leak	15 gallons	No	LCM Tank 1 and the accompanying reserve influent tanks became clogged, causing liquid to leak from the top dome lid of LCM Tank 1.	Absorbent was promptly placed near the bottom of LCM Tank 1 to contain the liquid.	The soiled absorbent was removed and placed into an appropriate container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced promptly and was completed within approximately 30 minutes.	Chiquita cleaned the influent tanks during the week of September 25, 2026, to prevent recurrence.
9/14/2026	2:00 p.m.	Leak	16 ounces	No	The threads on the electric pump fitting were stripped, allowing liquid to leak from the fitting.	Personnel promptly stopped using the pump.	Absorbent was promptly applied to the affected area, and the soiled absorbent was placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced promptly and was completed within approximately one and a half hours.	Chiquita replaced the faulty electric pump fitting and reworked the connection to prevent further leakage.
9/15/2026	8:18 a.m.	Spill	50-80 gallons	No	A weld on a third-party tanker truck failed. A replacement third-party tanker truck was promptly called to the location to transfer liquid from the initial tanker to the replacement truck. No liquid from the failed weld on the initial tanker truck reached the ground or into the containment tray. However, the third-party driver transferred liquid to the replacement tanker truck without first calculating the replacement tanker's empty weight, resulting in liquid spilling from the top dome of the replacement tanker truck.	The pump connected to the tanker truck was immediately shut off and the valve was closed to stop the flow of liquid.	Absorbent was promptly applied to the affected area. The soiled absorbent material was then removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 16 minutes.	Chiquita discussed the event with the third-party driver and reinforced the importance of verifying a tanker's empty weight before transferring liquid to minimize the potential for similar spills.
9/16/2026	7:40 a.m.	Leak	2 cups	No	A compromised well casing caused the leak.	A containment tray was immediately placed by the well casing to capture the liquid. Absorbent was then applied to the affected area.	The soiled absorbent was placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 10 minutes.	Chiquita will continue to inspect equipment, perform preventative maintenance, and implement appropriate corrective actions as needed, and is evaluating the use of stainless steel components where appropriate to minimize the potential for similar leaks.
9/18/2026	11:37 a.m.	Leak	0.5 gallons	No	The leak resulted from insufficient slack in the hose connecting well CV-24040 to the force main. The limited slack placed stress on the connection at the well fitting, which appears to have contributed to the loss of integrity at that connection and the resulting leak.	The pump and force main were promptly shut off to stop the flow of liquid, and any remaining pressure in the system was relieved.	Wipes and a cleaning solution were used to remove the remaining liquid and the soiled wipes were placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 10 minutes.	Chiquita will continue to regularly assess hose conditions and clearances to help prevent similar leaks. Chiquita will also continue to inspect equipment, perform maintenance, and implement appropriate corrective actions as needed.
9/21/2026	12:45 p.m.	Spill	10 ounces	No	The trailer's exhaust valve was positioned too high and the third-party driver did not have the necessary extension to achieve clearance into the utility tray placed underneath possible leak points, allowing leachate to run down a tire and trail onto the loadout rack.	The exhaust valve on the third-party tanker-truck trailer was closed.	Absorbent was applied to the affected area. The affected material was then removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 25 minutes.	Chiquita discussed the event with the third-party driver and reinforced the importance of having the necessary extension to direct liquid and prevent spills.
9/21/2026	3:00 p.m.	Leak	5 gallons	No	The leak appears to have resulted from a loose cleanout ball valve fitting, likely caused by vibration or thermal cycling.	The valve was tightened to stop the leak.	The liquid leaked onto the liner and the affected area was pressure washed. The resulting wash water was vacuumed for proper cleanup and disposal. Cleanup commenced promptly and was completed within approximately 30 minutes.	Chiquita will continue quality assurance and quality control checks of fittings on wells throughout the site.
9/22/2026	7:00 a.m.	Leak	1 cup	No	The leak resulted from a faulty bleeder valve on a third-party tanker-truck trailer.	A containment tray was placed beneath the truck's bleeder valve to contain any remaining liquid.	Absorbent material was applied to the affected area. The soiled material was then removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced promptly and was completed within approximately 15 minutes.	The third-party driver replaced the bleeder valve to prevent recurrence.
9/22/2026	9:00 a.m.	Leak	2 ounces	No	The leak appears to have resulted from the manner in which the swing check valve was installed, which interfered with the adjacent fitting and prevented it from sealing properly.	The valve was closed and the pump was turned off to stop the flow of liquid.	The affected area was cleaned with absorbent wipes, which were then placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and completed within approximately 2 minutes.	The swing check valve was replaced to address the installation issue and reduce the potential for recurrence. Chiquita also provided additional training to personnel on installation practices to help prevent similar leaks in the future.
9/22/2026	9:30 a.m.	Leak	0.5 gallons	No	The leak appears to have resulted from an inadequate seal at the transition fitting, potentially due to insufficient tightening and/or incomplete fusion during installation, which allowed leachate to leak when the vacuum was interrupted.	The line was pinched and the force main fitting was tightened to stop the flow of liquid.	The affected area was pressure washed and the resulting wash water was vacuumed for proper cleanup and disposal. Cleanup commenced promptly and was completed within approximately 30 minutes.	The transition fitting was replaced to prevent recurrence. Chiquita has provided additional training to personnel on transition-fitting installation and tightening to reduce the likelihood of similar leaks in the future.
9/23/2026	3:45 a.m.	Spill	0.25 cups	No	The third-party driver left the trailer brakes engaged during loading, causing the suspension gauge to provide an inaccurate indication of the trailer's load level. As a result, loading continued beyond the intended stopping point, resulting in a spill.	The pump connected to the tanker truck was immediately shut off to stop the flow of liquid.	Absorbent was promptly applied to the affected area. The soiled absorbent material was then removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 10 minutes.	Chiquita discussed the event with the third-party driver and reinforced the importance of disengaging the trailer brakes before loading begins so that the suspension gauge accurately reflects the trailer's load level.
9/23/2026	10:00 a.m.	Leak	0.25 gallons	No	A compromised ball valve associated with well number CV-24129 caused the leak.	The related pump was immediately shut off to stop the flow of liquid. Absorbent was then applied to the affected area.	The soiled absorbent was placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 30 minutes.	Chiquita will continue to inspect equipment, perform preventative maintenance, and implement appropriate corrective actions as needed.

9/23/2026	10:50 a.m.	Spill	10 gallons	No	The third-party driver did not fully close the air release valve on the rear inlet of the tanker truck after filling the truck.	The driver immediately closed the truck's air release valve to stop the flow of liquid.	Absorbent was promptly applied to the affected area. The soiled absorbent material was then removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 15 minutes.	Chiquita discussed the event with the third-party driver and reinforced the importance of confirming that valves are closed and equipment is functioning properly after filling. Chiquita also completed retraining of the tank farm personnel involved in the event on the applicable post-fill walkaround inspection procedures to help reduce the potential for similar spills.
9/28/2026	7:00 a.m.	Leak	0.5 gallons	No	The flange on the well casing was loose, causing a slow drip along the casing.	Absorbent was promptly placed around the base of the well to contain the liquid.	The soiled absorbent was removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup was completed within approximately 30 minutes.	Chiquita will continue to inspect equipment, perform preventative maintenance, and implement appropriate corrective actions as needed.
9/28/2026	11:20 a.m.	Leak	20 ounces	No	The leak resulted from a faulty vent on the top of the third-party tanker trailer. The vent's ball/check valve, which is designed to prevent liquid from exiting through the vent, failed to function as intended.	A tray was placed below the source to contain the liquid.	Absorbent was added to the affected area which was then placed into an appropriate container for proper disposal. A third-party vacuum truck was used to remove the remaining liquid from the top of the tanker truck. Cleanup was completed within approximately 20 minutes.	Chiquita notified the third-party driver of the incident to prevent recurrence.
9/29/2026	7:30 a.m.	PLR	100 gallons	No	The PLR appears to have resulted from a failed pump flange at the air supply connection. Although well CV-2558 had previously been identified as a PLR well, there were no indications of an imminent release, and no work was being performed at the well at the time of the event.	Chiquita personnel promptly isolated the wellhead by closing the upstream valve and shutting down the pump. Chiquita personnel then drilled a one-inch hole to repair the damaged fitting connection and installed a plug to seal the well.	Absorbent was promptly applied to the affected area. The soiled absorbent was subsequently placed into a container for proper disposal. A vacuum truck was used to remove all standing liquid, and the affected rock was subsequently removed on October 9, 2026. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed by October 9, 2026.	Chiquita personnel corrected the pump flange issue and lowered the wellhead to adjust its configuration and help address the conditions associated with the PLR. Chiquita also plans to install a knife gate valve to allow the wellhead to be isolated in a controlled manner, as necessary, to further reduce the potential for similar releases.
9/29/2026	8:00 a.m.	Leak	1 cup	No	The leak appears to have resulted from a failed flange gasket. Thermal cycling may have contributed to the gasket failure.	The affected area was cleaned with absorbent wipes.	The soiled absorbent wipes were placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup was completed within approximately 5 minutes.	Chiquita replaced the failed flange gasket and the related hose. Chiquita will continue to inspect equipment, perform preventative maintenance, and implement appropriate corrective actions as needed.
9/29/2026	4:00 p.m.	Spill	5 gallons	No	The spill resulted from third-party driver error during loading of the tanker truck.	The pump was shut off and the driver immediately closed the truck's valve to stop the flow of liquid. Absorbent was promptly applied to the affected area and the soiled absorbent was placed into a container for proper disposal.	The pump was shut off immediately. Cleanup was completed within approximately 10 minutes.	Chiquita has ordered additional equipment to provide real-time flow monitoring during loading to aid third-party drivers in properly loading tanker trailers.
9/30/2026	10:00 a.m.	Leak	1 gallon	No	A third-party contractor shut off the vacuum source while the pneumatic pump continued to operate, resulting in an accumulation of liquid that escaped through the wellhead assembly.	The pneumatic pump was shut off and soil was promptly applied to the affected area to contain the leachate leak.	The affected soil was removed and placed into a container for appropriate disposal. Cleanup was completed within approximately 5 minutes.	Chiquita sealed the affected area of the wellhead assembly to prevent further leakage. Chiquita will review and enhance communication and coordination between Chiquita personnel and its third-party contractors.

ATTACHMENT B

Monthly Exceedance Summary – September 2026

Compound	Number of Exceedances	False Positive
Benzene	0	NA
Hydrogen Sulfide	0	NA

Benzene Exceedances

- There were no Benzene REL exceedances this month.
- The highest reading was 2.66 ppb, which occurred at MS-10 on September 18.

Hydrogen Sulfide Exceedances

- There were no H₂S exceedances this month.
- The highest reading was 7 ppb, which occurred at MS-11 and MS-06 on September 11 and 25 respectively.