

Disposal Facility (Site) Inspection Report (52)
Chiquita Canyon Sanitary Landfill (19-AA-0052)
3/28/2025

Inspection Information

Inspected By: Los Angeles County **Local Inspection ID:**
Inspection Date: 3/28/2025 **Time In:**
Inspection Type: Periodic **Time Out:**
Inspector: Eric Morofuji **Inspection Duration:**
Operator: Chiquita Canyon, Inc.
Received By:
Also Present (Name):
Cruz De La Cruz, Operations Supervisor

Facility/Activity Information

Enforcement Agency: County of Los Angeles **SWIS Number:** 19-AA-0052
Facility: **Chiquita Canyon Sanitary Landfill**
29201 Henry Mayo Drive
Castaic, CA 91384
Activity: Solid Waste Landfill
Operational Status: Active **Regulatory Status:** Permitted
Land Owners(s):
Chiquita Canyon, Inc.

The above facility was inspected for compliance with applicable sections of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) and Title 14 and Title 27, California Code of Regulations (CCR).

Violations

27 CCR 20921 - Gas Monitoring and Control

Ensure that landfill gas generated on site is controlled not to exceed 5% by volume in air at the site's perimeter boundary.

See comments below.

27 CCR 20750 - Site Maintenance

The operator shall implement a preventative maintenance program to monitor and promptly repair or correct defective or deteriorated conditions with respect to requirement of the CIWMB standards, and conditions established by the EA. All other aspects of the disposal site shall be kept in a state of reasonable repair. The Compliance Order to CCL dated June 6, 2024, supersedes the November 21, 2023

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LEA letter regarding mitigation measures to correct this violation.

For further details of the above required actions, please refer to previous LEA Inspection Reports and LEA approval letter.

See comments below for updates to the Milestones in Compliance Order.

No Areas of Concern

Inspection Report Comments

March 2025 Monthly Disposal Facility Periodic Inspection Report

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Violations 27CCR Section 20921 (Gas Monitoring and Control) and 20750 (Site Maintenance) have been noted on the LEA periodic inspection reports beginning 9/1/2023 and 11/28/2023, respectively.

Per June 6, 2024, Compliance Order, CCL is hereby ordered to comply and eliminate the following violations by addressing all Milestones of the Order.

Violation 27CCR Section 20750 – Site Maintenance: LEA received CCL's request letter dated December 6, 2024, for additional time extension to complete Milestone 2A-1 (Installation of geosynthetic cover). LEA approved the additional time extension so it amended the Compliance Schedule to achieve full compliance with 27 CCR Section 20750 by January 17, 2025.

As of April 15, 2025, the status update on the milestones to address this violation are as follows:

- 1A-1 - Soil Reaction Break/Barrier Plan (SRBBP): LEA issued a letter requesting additional information to complete the review of CCL's November 26, 2024 SRBBP on 12/24/2024. CCL submitted a response to LEA's request for additional information on 1/24/2025. LEA issued a response letter dated 4/1/2025, directing CCL to do the following:

1. Install a new geomembrane cover using 40-to 60 mil thick HDPE-EVOH to cover approximately 100 acres outside the existing geomembrane cover.

2. Relocate Leachate Tank Farm 9 to an area unaffected by the SET Event.

3. Prevent the SET Event from expanding into Cell 8A.

4. Install five (5) new TMPs, as specified in Attachment A of the March 28, 2025

CalRecycle letter to the LEA.

- On 4/10/2025, the LEA received the weekly TMP update that four TMPs (TP-21, TP-24, TP-28, TP-35) were installed and completed by 4/4/2025. The update also addressed the drilling for the two remaining TMPs (TP-22 and TP-23) that are under evaluation by CCL since the

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LEA did not allow the request to suspend installation until October 2025.

- 2A-1 – LEA received Final Completion Report on 01/21/2025. LEA issued a response letter on 4/9/2025 for CCL to submit an Operations and Maintenance Plan, to include a Replacement Plan of the geomembrane cover, by 5/9/2025.
- 2B – CCL continues to submit weekly updates on the cover and fissures issues.
- Note: CCL is in compliance with Milestones 1A-2, 1A-3, 1B-1, 1B-2, 1B-3, 1B-4, 2A-2, 3-1 and 3-2

Violation 27CCR Section 20921 – Gas Monitoring and Control: November 28, 2024, is the final date to achieve full compliance in accordance with the Compliance Schedule.

As of April 15, 2025, an update on the Milestones to address this violation are as follows:

- 4-1 – On 7/31/2024, LEA received a Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) completion report that all 107 wells were completed. The CQA completion report is under LEA review.
- 4-4 – On 2/21/2025, LEA issued a comment letter requesting for additional information. On 3/14/2025, CCL submitted a response letter with the requested information, which is under LEA review.
- Note: CCL is in compliance with Milestone 4-2 & 4-3

The following was observed during the periodic inspection:

- There was a “closed” sign posted at the front gate entrance area.
- Site is no longer accepting waste. Workface at Cell 8A was covered with soil/dirt.
- No activity at Canyon B.
- Conducted methane gas readings at perimeter monitoring wells – GP-8, GP-9, GP-14, GP-23 and GP-24. See attached monitoring log sheet for results.
- CCL continues to provide weekly probe readings which results in methane exceedance above 5% by volume for wells GP-13 and GP-15. In addition, a violation of methane exceedance observed at GP-14 at probe 67’ had a reading of 10% by volume.
- Received 3 California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) reports for leachate spills, for the month of March.
- The March monthly report was in compliance with Permit Conditions.
- A copy of the inspection report was emailed to Steve Cassulo, Nicole Ward, and Amanda Froman.

NOTE: LEA received a letter from CCL dated December 31, 2024, that CCL has ceased active waste disposal operations effective January 1, 2025, however, CCL will continue to address the Elevated Temperature Landfill (ETLF) event, as well as closure and post-closure activities.

Attachments

03.28.2025 Chiquita Canyon LF - LFG Methane Monitoring Sheet