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Subject: RE: Settlement between Napa County and Clover Flat Landfill
Date: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 10:46:27 AM
Attachments: [File Endorsed Complaint 9.12.25.pdf](#)
[Executed Final Judgment 9.16.25.pdf](#)

Hi Steve,

The case related to CFL's spill of leachate in March 2019, and the subsequent discovery of unapproved grading and construction of a road through the water course of two streams on the property. Copies of the complaint and judgment are attached, which provide more detail. But the major points of the settlement are summarized as follows:

- The complaint and judgment cover violations of Fish and Game Code sections 5650 (water pollution) and 1602 (substantial alteration or obstruction of a streambed), which occurred at Clover Flat Landfill in March 2019.
- CFL is enjoined from allowing the discharge of any pollutant into the streams, failing to maintain adequate leachate/contaminated stormwater storage, and failing to notify the Department of Fish and Wildlife before undertaking any alteration or obstruction of the streams.
- CFL must complete a 4.24-acre environmental restoration project at the landfill within two years. The project has been approved by the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board.
- CFL must record a deed restriction which will protect in perpetuity the area restored by the above project.
- CFL must fund three offsite environmental restoration projects as follows: (1) \$1.55 million to the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District for the Bale Slough restoration project; (2) \$954,000 to the Napa County Resource Conservation District for the Huichica Creek restoration project; and \$150,000 to be used by the Resource Conservation District for either the Huichica Creek project or the Suscol Creek restoration project.
- CFL will pay \$500,000 in civil penalties, of which \$400,000 is stayed if they do not violate the judgment. CFL will also pay \$65,000 in investigative costs.

It is important to note that this case/settlement only relates to the violations of the Fish and Game Code observed by the Department of Fish and Wildlife in or around early 2019. This settlement does not cover any other allegations against CFL. In addition, the Regional Water Quality Control Board fined CFL \$619,400 for the 2019 leachate spills, and the Napa County Department of Planning, Building, and Environmental Services also fined CFL \$107,020 for the 2019 leachate spills.

I'm happy to discuss further if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Pat

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Great, thanks in advance to you both.

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Good morning.

Yes, happy to help. DDA Patrick Collins can provide you information on the settlement. He is added to this email.

Best,

Paul

From: Lederer, Steven <Steven.Lederer@countyofnapa.org>
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I understand the DA recently completed a settlement agreement with the owners of CFL to resolve various environmental problems that happened at the facility back in 2019. My Upper

Valley Waste Management Agency Board asked for a summary of the terms of the settlement.

Is that something you could provide please? My Board meets again in early December.

Thanks in advance.

Steve Lederer

Director, Napa County Department of Public Works

Manager, Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

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