

STATE OF MISSOURI
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

MISSOURI CLEAN WATER COMMISSION



MISSOURI STATE OPERATING PERMIT

In compliance with the Missouri Clean Water Law, (Chapter 644 R.S. Mo. as amended, hereinafter, the Law), and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Public Law 92-500, 92nd Congress) as amended,

Permit No. MO-0045811

Owner: Public Water Supply District #1 of Knox County
Address: P.O. Box 138, Knox City, MO 63446

Continuing Authority: Same as above
Address: Same as above

Facility Name: Baring Area Wastewater System
Facility Address: 1/10 mile Southeast of Highway K Railroad Crossing, Baring, MO 63531

Legal Description: SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄, NW¹/₄, Sec. 25, T63N, R12W, Knox County
UTM Coordinates: X= 568468, Y= 4454683

Receiving Stream: Unnamed Tributary to Bridge Creek (U)
First Classified Stream and ID: Bridge Creek (C) (00070)
USGS Basin & Sub-watershed No.: (071100020302)

is authorized to discharge from the facility described herein, in accordance with the effluent limitations and monitoring requirements as set forth herein:

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Outfall #001 – Eliminated

Outfall #002 – POTW – SIC #4952 – **Certified D Operator Required**

Two-cell extended detention time lagoon/sludge is retained in the lagoon.
Design population equivalent is 373.
Design flow is 18,650 gallons per day.
Design sludge production is 5.60 dry tons/year.
UTM Coordinates: X=568468, Y=4454683

Instream Monitoring Site SM1 – Discontinued

This permit authorizes only wastewater discharges under the Missouri Clean Water Law and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System; it does not apply to other regulated areas. This permit may be appealed in accordance with Section 644.051.6 of the Law.

October 1, 2012

Effective Date

Sara Parker Pauley, Director, Department of Natural Resources

September 30, 2017

Expiration Date

John Madras, Director, Water Protection Program

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	Page 2 of 5
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The permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall(s) with serial number(s) as specified in the application for this permit. The final effluent limitations shall become effective upon issuance of the permit and remain in effect until expiration of the permit. Such discharges shall be controlled, limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

OUTFALL NUMBER AND EFFLUENT PARAMETER(S)	UNITS	FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS			MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
		DAILY MAXIMUM	WEEKLY AVERAGE	MONTHLY AVERAGE	MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
Outfall #002 (Note 1)						
Flow	MGD	*		*	once/month	24 hr. estimate
Biochemical Oxygen Demand ₅	mg/L		65	45	once/month	grab
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L		110	70	once/month	grab
pH – Units	SU	**		**	once/month	grab
Ammonia as N (April 1 – Sept 30)	mg/L	3.7		1.4	once/month	grab
(Oct 1 – March 31)		7.5		2.9		
Oil & Grease	mg/L	15		10	once/month	grab

MONITORING REPORTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED MONTHLY; THE FIRST REPORT IS DUE November 28, 2012. THERE SHALL BE NO DISCHARGE OF FLOATING SOLIDS OR VISIBLE FOAM, OR WATER WITH A VISIBLE SHEEN. THERE SHALL BE NO DISCHARGE OF WATER THAT CAUSES A DISCERNABLE COLOR CHANGE IN THE RECEIVING STREAM.

B. STANDARD CONDITIONS

IN ADDITION TO SPECIFIED CONDITIONS STATED HEREIN, THIS PERMIT IS SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED Parts I & III STANDARD CONDITIONS DATED October 1, 1980 and August 15, 1994, AND HEREBY INCORPORATED AS THOUGH FULLY SET FORTH HEREIN.

C. INFLUENT MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
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The facility is required to meet a removal efficiency of 65% or more as a monthly average. The monitoring requirements shall become effective upon issuance and remain in effect until expiration of the permit. To determine removal efficiencies, the influent wastewater shall be monitored by the permittee as specified below:

SAMPLING LOCATION AND PARAMETER(S)	UNITS	MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
		MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
<u>Influent</u>			
Biochemical Oxygen Demand ₅	mg/L	once/quarter***	grab
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	once/quarter***	grab

MONITORING REPORTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED QUARTERLY; THE FIRST REPORT IS DUE January 28, 2013.

- * Monitoring requirement only.
- ** pH is measured in pH units and is not to be averaged. The pH is to be maintained at or above 6.5 pH units.
- *** See table below for quarterly sampling.

Sample discharge at least once for the months of:	Report is due:
January, February, March (1st Quarter)	April 28
April, May, June (2nd Quarter)	July 28
July, August, September (3rd Quarter)	October 28
October, November, December (4th Quarter)	January 28

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS (continued)

Note 1 – Batch releases from the treatment facility shall be conducted in a controlled manner, limited to 45,000 gallons per day, according to the requirements of Special Condition #20. Sampling for the effluent limitations in Table A during a batch release shall be conducted weekly, with at least two sampling events during the release, in addition to the monthly monitoring requirements. Effluent limitations and Water Quality Standards shall not be violated at any time during a batch release.

D. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. This permit may be reopened and modified, or alternatively revoked and reissued, to:
 - (a) Comply with any applicable effluent standard or limitation issued or approved under Sections 301(b)(2)(C) and (D), 304(b)(2), and 307(a) (2) of the Clean Water Act, if the effluent standard or limitation so issued or approved:
 - (1) contains different conditions or is otherwise more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
 - (2) controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.
 - (b) Incorporate new or modified effluent limitations or other conditions, if the result of a waste load allocation study, toxicity test or other information indicates changes are necessary to assure compliance with Missouri's Water Quality Standards.
 - (c) Incorporate new or modified effluent limitations or other conditions if, as the result of a watershed analysis, a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) limitation is developed for the receiving waters which are currently included in Missouri's list of waters of the state not fully achieving the state's water quality standards, also called the 303(d) list.

The permit as modified or reissued under this paragraph shall also contain any other requirements of the Clean Water Act then applicable.

2. All outfalls must be clearly marked in the field.
3. Permittee will cease discharge by connection to a facility with an area-wide management plan per 10 CSR 20-6.010(3)(B) within 90 days of notice of its availability.
4. Water Quality Standards
 - (a) Discharges to waters of the state shall not cause a violation of water quality standards rule under 10 CSR 20-7.031, including both specific and general criteria.
 - (b) General Criteria. The following general water quality criteria shall be applicable to all waters of the state at all times including mixing zones. No water contaminant, by itself or in combination with other substances, shall prevent the waters of the state from meeting the following conditions:
 - (1) Waters shall be free from substances in sufficient amounts to cause the formation of putrescent, unsightly or harmful bottom deposits or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses;
 - (2) Waters shall be free from oil, scum and floating debris in sufficient amounts to be unsightly or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses;
 - (3) Waters shall be free from substances in sufficient amounts to cause unsightly color or turbidity, offensive odor or prevent full maintenance of beneficial uses;
 - (4) Waters shall be free from substances or conditions in sufficient amounts to result in toxicity to human, animal or aquatic life;
 - (5) There shall be no significant human health hazard from incidental contact with the water;
 - (6) There shall be no acute toxicity to livestock or wildlife watering;
 - (7) Waters shall be free from physical, chemical or hydrologic changes that would impair the natural biological community;
 - (8) Waters shall be free from used tires, car bodies, appliances, demolition debris, used vehicles or equipment and solid waste as defined in Missouri's Solid Waste Law, section 260.200, RSMo, except as the use of such materials is specifically permitted pursuant to section 260.200-260.247.

5. Changes in Discharges of Toxic Substances

The permittee shall notify the Director as soon as it knows or has reason to believe:

- (a) That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge of any toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following "notification levels:"
 - (1) One hundred micrograms per liter (100 µg/L);

- (2) Two hundred micrograms per liter (200 µg/L) for acrolein and acrylonitrile; five hundred micrograms per liter (500 µg/L) for 2,5 dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4, 6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter (1 mg/L) for antimony;
- (3) Five (5) times the maximum concentration value reported for the pollutant in the permit application;
- (4) The level established in Part A of the permit by the Director.

D. SPECIAL CONDITIONS (continued)

- (b) That they have begun or expect to begin to use or manufacture as an intermediate or final product or byproduct any toxic pollutant, which was not reported in the permit application.
6. Report as no-discharge when a discharge does not occur during the report period.
7. It is a violation of the Missouri Clean Water Law to fail to pay fees associated with this permit (644.055 RSMo).
8. The permittee shall comply with any applicable requirements listed in 10 CSR 20-9, unless the facility has received written notification that the Department has approved a modification to the requirements. The monitoring frequencies contained in this permit shall not be construed by the permittee as a modification of the monitoring frequencies listed in 10 CSR 20-9. If a modification of the monitoring frequencies listed in 10 CSR 20-9 is needed, the permittee shall submit a written request to the Department for review and, if deemed necessary, approval.
9. The permittee shall develop and implement a program for maintenance and repair of the collection system. The permittee shall submit a report annually in November to the Northeast Regional Office with the Discharge and Monitoring reports which address measures taken to locate and eliminate sources of infiltration and inflow into the collection system serving the facility.
10. Bypasses are not authorized at this facility and are subject to 40 CFR 122.41(m). If a bypass occurs, the permittee shall report in accordance to 40 CFR 122.41(m)(3)(i), and with Standard Condition Part I, Section B, subsection 2.b. Bypasses are to be reported to the Northeast Regional Office.
11. A least one gate, constructed of materials comparable to the fence, must be provided to access the lagoon and provide for maintenance and mowing. The gate shall remain locked except when opened by the permittee to perform maintenance or mowing.
12. At least one sign shall appear on the fence on each side of each facility. Minimum wording shall be "SEWAGE TREATMENT FACILITY – KEEP OUT", in letters at least 2 inches high.
13. An Operation and Maintenance (O & M) manual shall be maintained by the permittee and made available to the operator. The O & M manual shall include key operating procedures and a brief summary of the operation of the facility.
14. The inner and outer berm slopes shall not be steeper than three to one (3:1). Inner berm slopes shall not be flatter than four to one (4:1). Consideration may be given to steeper inner slopes provided special attention is given to stabilizing the slope with rip-rap, concrete, or other rigid materials.
15. The berms of storage basins shall be mowed and kept free of any trees, muskrat dens, or other potential sources of damage to the berms.
16. An all-weather access road shall be provided from a public right-of-way to the treatment facility.
17. The discharge from the lagoon system shall be conveyed to the receiving stream via a closed pipe or a paved or rip-rapped open channel. Sheet or meandering drainage is not acceptable. The outfall sewer shall be protected against the effects of floodwater, ice or other hazards as to reasonably insure its structural stability and freedom from stoppage. The outfall shall be maintained so that a sample of the effluent can be obtained at a point after the final treatment process and before the discharge mixes with the receiving stream.
18. A minimum of two (2) feet freeboard must be maintained in the lagoon cell.
19. The facility shall ensure that adequate provisions are provided to prevent surface water intrusion in to the lagoon and to divert stormwater runoff around the lagoon and protect embankments from erosion.

20. Batch Releases.

- (a) The term “batch release” used herein shall mean a discharge event to allow water to flow from the facility through the permitted outfall(s) into the receiving stream that is initiated by the operator by means of opening a single or multiple valves, gates, or other operational control and then stopped by the operator by closing the same valves, gates, or other operational control.
- (b) Batch Releases shall be limited to 45,000 gallons per day. Discharges above 45,000 gallons per day are allowed to occur through the effluent overflow pipe structure when storage capacity is exceeded during periods of heavy precipitation.
- (c) Sampling for the effluent limitations in Table A during a batch release shall be conducted weekly, with at least two sampling events during the release. One sampling event shall be conducted near the beginning of the batch release and the other sampling event conducted near the end of the batch release. Batch release sampling results can be considered as the monthly sampling requirement as required by Table A.
- (d) To avoid adversely affecting the hydrology of the receiving stream from batch releases, energy dissipation shall be provided by rip-rap, diffuser, or other Department approved method.
- (e) Effluent limitations and Water Quality Standards shall not be violated at any time during a batch release.

Missouri Department of Natural Resources
FACT SHEET
FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENEWAL
OF
MO-0045811
BARING AREA WASTEWATER SYSTEM

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act ("Clean Water Act" Section 402 Public Law 92-500 as amended) established the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program. This program regulates the discharge of pollutants from point sources into the waters of the United States, and the release of storm water from certain point sources. All such discharges are unlawful without a permit (Section 301 of the "Clean Water Act"). After a permit is obtained, a discharge not in compliance with all permit terms and conditions is unlawful. Missouri State Operating Permits (MSOPs) are issued by the Director of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (Department) under an approved program, operating in accordance with federal and state laws (Federal "Clean Water Act" and "Missouri Clean Water Law" Section 644 as amended). MSOPs are issued for a period of five (5) years unless otherwise specified.

As per [40 CFR Part 124.8(a)] and [10 CSR 20-6.020(1)2.] a Factsheet shall be prepared to give pertinent information regarding the applicable regulations, rationale for the development of effluent limitations and conditions, and the public participation process for the Missouri State Operating Permit (operating permit) listed below.

A Factsheet is not an enforceable part of an operating permit.

This Factsheet is for a Minor

Part I – Facility Information

Facility Type: POTW
Facility SIC Code(s): 4952

Facility Description:

Outfall #001 – eliminated

Outfall #002 – POTW – SIC #4952 – **Certified D Operator Required**

Two-cell extended detention time lagoon / sludge is retained in the lagoon
Design population equivalent is 373.
Design flow is 18,650 gallons per day.
Design sludge production is 5.60 dry tons/year.
UTM Coordinates: X=568468, Y=4454683

Instream Monitoring Site SM1 – discontinued

Have any changes occurred at this facility or in the receiving water body that effects effluent limit derivation?

- Yes; Outfall #001 has been eliminated from the permit due to the facility operating with a two-cell extended detention time lagoon instead of the two separate lagoon systems from the previous permit cycle and no further instream monitoring is required.

Application Date: 05/27/2011
Expiration Date: 10/26/2011
Last Inspection: 03/04/2010 In Compliance

OUTFALL(S) TABLE:

OUTFALL	DESIGN FLOW (CFS)	TREATMENT LEVEL	EFFLUENT TYPE	DISTANCE TO CLASSIFIED SEGMENT (MI)
002	0.029	Secondary Equivalence	Domestic (Sanitary) Wastewater	3.66

Outfall #002

Legal Description: SW¼, SW¼, SW¼, Sec. 25, T63N, R12W, Knox County
UTM Coordinates: X=568468, Y=4454683
Receiving Stream: Unnamed Tributary to Bridge Creek (U)
First Classified Stream and ID: Bridge Creek (C) (00070)
USGS Basin & Sub-watershed No.: (071100020302)

Receiving Water Body's Water Quality & Facility Performance History:

Water Quality:

The Baring Area Wastewater System discharges Domestic (Sanitary) Wastewater to an Unnamed Tributary to Bridge Creek (U) which flows approximately 3.66 miles into the Bridge Creek (C). Stream Survey data does not exist for either streams and there is no TMDL completed on the Bridge Creek (C). The Bridge Creek (C) does have use designations of Livestock & Wildlife Watering (LWW), Protection of Warm Water Aquatic Life and Human Health-Fish Consumption (AQL) and Whole Body Contact Recreation - B (WBC-B), however the WBC-B will not be considered in the limitations due to distance of the discharge point to the classified stream.

Performance History:

A compliance inspection of the Baring Area Wastewater System was conducted on March 4th, 2010. After observing the facility, it was determined that the facility was in compliance with the Missouri State Operating Permit (MSOP) #MO-0045811. However, several unsatisfactory features were noted during the inspection and are listed below:

1. Failed to provide warning signs on all sides of the perimeter fence
2. Failed to provide adequate fencing to prevent unauthorized access
3. Deep-rooted vegetation was growing on the lagoon berms
4. The storm water diversions of the lagoon system were not adequately preventing storm water from entering the lagoon system

Comments:

After completion of construction on the new Baring Area Wastewater System, which consists of a two-celled extended detention time lagoon system, the facility requested a termination of the Baring South Wastewater Treatment Facility. The Baring South Wastewater Treatment Facility consisted of a lagoon, which contained Outfall #001. This lagoon was determined to be in poor quality by the facility and with the construction of the new treatment system, the facility wanted to terminate operation of the old lagoon.

A Termination Inspection was conducted on June 30, 2011 to determine if the closure would be granted to the MSOP #MO-0045811. It was determined that the permit could not be terminated because the new facility would be operating under this permit. However, the outfall #001 was eliminated and will not be included in the renewal permit cycle.

The variance from the previous permit cycle has been removed. The facility should be able to meet the effluent limitations and should have no effect on the receiving stream. Thus, instream monitoring has been removed from the permit as well.

See the Reasonable Potential Analysis section or the Total Ammonia Nitrogen calculation section for explanation of adjusted ammonia limitations.

Part II – Operator Certification Requirements

As per [10 CSR 20-6.010(8) Terms and Conditions of a Permit], permittees shall operate and maintain facilities to comply with the Missouri Clean Water Law and applicable permit conditions and regulations. Operators or supervisors of operations at regulated wastewater treatment facilities shall be certified in accordance with [10 CSR 20-9.020(2)] and any other applicable state law or regulation. As per [10 CSR 20-9.020(2)(A)], requirements for operation by certified personnel shall apply to all wastewater treatment systems, if applicable, as listed below:

Check boxes below that are applicable to the facility;

- Owned or operated by or for:
 - Municipalities
 - Public Sewer District:
 - County
 - Public Water Supply Districts:
 - Private sewer company regulated by the Public Service Commission:
 - State or Federal agencies:

Each of the above entities are only applicable if they have a Population Equivalent greater than two hundred (200) and/or fifty (50) or more service connections.

- Department required:
The Department requires this facility to retain the services of a certified operator due to: nature of facility

This facility currently requires an operator with a D Certification Level. Please see **Appendix A - Classification Worksheet**. Modifications made to the wastewater treatment facility may cause the classification to be modified.

Operator's Name: Gary Mallett
Certification Number: 1743
Certification Level: C

The listing of the operator above only signifies that staff drafting this operating permit have reviewed appropriate Department records and determined that the name listed on the operating permit application has the correct and applicable Certification Level.

Part III – Receiving Stream Information

APPLICABLE DESIGNATIONS OF WATERS OF THE STATE:

As per Missouri's Effluent Regulations [10 CSR 20-7.015], the waters of the state are divided into the below listed seven (7) categories. Each category lists effluent limitations for specific parameters, which are presented in each outfall's Effluent Limitation Table and further discussed in the Derivation & Discussion of Limits section.

- Missouri or Mississippi River [10 CSR 20-7.015(2)]:
- Lake or Reservoir [10 CSR 20-7.015(3)]:
- Losing [10 CSR 20-7.015(4)]:
- Metropolitan No-Discharge [10 CSR 20-7.015(5)]:
- Special Stream [10 CSR 20-7.015(6)]:
- Subsurface Water [10 CSR 20-7.015(7)]:
- All Other Waters [10 CSR 20-7.015(8)]:

10 CSR 20-7.031 Missouri Water Quality Standards, the Department defines the Clean Water Commission water quality objectives in terms of "water uses to be maintained and the criteria to protect those uses." The receiving stream and/or 1st classified receiving stream's beneficial water uses to be maintained are located in the Receiving Stream Table located below in accordance with [10 CSR 20-7.031(3)].

RECEIVING STREAM(S) TABLE:

WATERBODY NAME	CLASS	WBID	DESIGNATED USES*	12-DIGIT HUC	EDU**
Unnamed Tributary to Bridge Creek	U	N/A	General Criteria	071100020302	Central Plains/Cuivre/Salt
Bridge Creek	C	00070	LWW, AQL, WBC-B		

* - Irrigation (IRR), Livestock & Wildlife Watering (LWW), Protection of Warm Water Aquatic Life and Human Health-Fish Consumption (AQL), Cool Water Fishery (CLF), Cold Water Fishery (CDF), Whole Body Contact Recreation (WBC), Secondary Contact Recreation (SCR), Drinking Water Supply (DWS), Industrial (IND), Groundwater (GRW).

** - Ecological Drainage Unit

RECEIVING STREAM(S) LOW-FLOW VALUES TABLE:

RECEIVING STREAM (U, C, P)	LOW-FLOW VALUES (CFS)		
	1Q10	7Q10	30Q10
Unnamed Tributary to Bridge Creek (U)	0.0	0.0	0.0

MIXING CONSIDERATIONS TABLE:

Mixing Zone: Not Allowed [10 CSR 20-7.031(4)(A)4.B.(I)(a)].

Zone of Initial Dilution: Not Allowed [10 CSR 20-7.031(4)(A)4.B.(I)(b)].

RECEIVING STREAM MONITORING REQUIREMENTS:

No receiving water monitoring requirements recommended at this time.

Part IV – Rationale and Derivation of Effluent Limitations & Permit Conditions

ALTERNATIVE EVALUATIONS FOR NEW FACILITIES:

As per [10 CSR 20-7.015(4)(A)], discharges to losing streams shall be permitted only after other alternatives including land application, discharges to a gaining stream and connection to a regional wastewater treatment facility have been evaluated and determined to be unacceptable for environmental and/or economic reasons.

Not Applicable .

The facility does not discharge to a Losing Stream as defined by [10 CSR 20-2.010(36)] & [10 CSR 20-7.031(1)(N)], or is an existing facility.

ANTI-BACKSLIDING:

A provision in the Federal Regulations [CWA §303(d)(4); CWA §402(c); 40 CFR Part 122.44(I)] that requires a reissued permit to be as stringent as the previous permit with some exceptions.

- All limits in this operating permit are at least as protective as those previously established; therefore, backsliding does not apply.

ANTIDegradation:

In accordance with Missouri’s Water Quality Standard [10 CSR 20-7.031(2)], the Department is to document by means of Antidegradation Review that the use of a water body’s available assimilative capacity is justified. Degradation is justified by documenting the socio-economic importance of a discharging activity after determining the necessity of the discharge.

- Renewal no degradation proposed and no further review necessary.

AREA-WIDE WASTE TREATMENT MANAGEMENT & CONTINUING AUTHORITY:

As per [10 CSR 20-6.010(3)(B)], ...An applicant may utilize a lower preference continuing authority by submitting, as part of the application, a statement waiving preferential status from each existing higher preference authority, providing the waiver does not conflict with any area-wide management plan approved under section 208 of the Federal Clean Water Act or any other regional sewage service and treatment plan approved for higher preference authority by the Department.

BIOSOLIDS & SEWAGE SLUDGE:

Biosolids are solid materials resulting from domestic wastewater treatment that meet federal and state criteria for beneficial uses (i.e. fertilizer). Sewage sludge is solids, semi-solids, or liquid residue generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works; including but not limited to, domestic septage; scum or solids removed in primary, secondary, or advanced wastewater treatment process; and a material derived from sewage sludge. Sewage sludge does not include ash generated during the firing of sewage sludge in a sewage sludge incinerator or grit and screening generated during preliminary treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works. Additional information regarding biosolids and sludge is located at the following web address: <http://dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/pub/index.html>, items WQ422 through WQ449.

- Sludge/biosolids are removed by contract hauler or are stored in the lagoon.

COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT:

Enforcement is the action taken by the Water Protection Program (WPP) to bring an entity into compliance with the Missouri Clean Water Law, its implementing regulations, and/or any terms and conditions of an operating permit. The primary purpose of the enforcement activity in the WPP is to resolve violations and return the entity to compliance.

Not Applicable ;

The permittee/facility is not currently under Water Protection Program enforcement action.

PRETREATMENT PROGRAM:

The reduction of the amount of pollutants, the elimination of pollutants, or the alteration of the nature of pollutant properties in wastewater prior to or in lieu of discharging or otherwise introducing such pollutants into a Publicly Owned Treatment Works [40 CFR Part 403.3(q)].

Pretreatment programs are required at any POTW (or combination of POTW operated by the same authority) and/or municipality with a total design flow greater than 5.0 MGD and receiving industrial wastes that interfere with or pass through the treatment works or are otherwise subject to the pretreatment standards. Pretreatment programs can also be required at POTWs/municipals with a design flow less than 5.0 MGD if needed to prevent interference with operations or pass through.

Several special conditions pertaining to the permittee's pretreatment program may be included in the permit, and are as follows:

- Implementation and enforcement of the program,
- Annual pretreatment report submittal,
- Submittal of list of industrial users,
- Technical evaluation of need to establish local limitations, and
- Submittal of the results of the evaluation

Not Applicable ;

The permittee, at this time, is not required to have a Pretreatment Program or does not have an approved pretreatment program.

REASONABLE POTENTIAL ANALYSIS (RPA):

Federal regulation [40 CFR Part 122.44(d)(1)(i)] requires effluent limitations for all pollutants that are or may be discharged at a level that will cause or have the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an in-stream excursion above narrative or numeric water quality standard.

In accordance with [40 CFR Part 122.44(d)(iii)] if the permit writer determines that any give pollutant has the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an in-stream excursion above the WQS, the permit must contain effluent limits for that pollutant.

Applicable ;

A RPA was conducted on appropriate parameters. Please see **APPENDIX B – RPA RESULTS**. However, the RPA could not be used due to insufficient Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) data for Ammonia as N. The Department requires that at minimum ten (10) data points be used for the RPA. Only five values were recorded in the Departments database. Due to lack of DMR data, the Department cannot prove that reasonable potential to exceed Water Quality Standards for Ammonia as N does not exist. Therefore, default values have been used to calculate final effluent limitations for Ammonia as N. See the Total Ammonia Nitrogen section for default calculations of the effluent limitations for Ammonia as N.

REMOVAL EFFICIENCY:

Removal efficiency is a method by which the Federal Regulations define Secondary Treatment and Equivalent to Secondary Treatment, which applies to Biochemical Oxygen Demand 5-day (BOD₅) and Total Suspended Solids (TSS) for Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWs)/municipals.

Applicable ;

Equivalent to Secondary Treatment is 65% removal [40 CFR Part 133.105(a)(3) & (b)(3)].

SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOWS (SSO) AND INFLOW AND INFILTRATION (I&I):

Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) are defined as an untreated or partially treated sewage release are considered bypassing under state regulation [10 CSR 20-2.010(11)] and should not be confused with the federal definition of bypass. SSO's have a variety of causes including blockages, line breaks, and sewer defects that allow excess storm water and ground water to (1) enter and overload the collection system, and (2) overload the treatment facility. Additionally, SSO's can be also be caused by lapses in sewer system operation and maintenance, inadequate sewer design and construction, power failures, and vandalism. SSOs also include overflows out of manholes and onto city streets, sidewalks, and other terrestrial locations.

Additionally, Missouri RSMo §644.026.1 mandates that the Department require proper maintenance and operation of treatment facilities and sewer systems and proper disposal of residual waste from all such facilities.

- In accordance with Missouri RSMo §644.026.1.(15) and 40 CFR Part 122.41(e), the permittee is required to develop and/or implement a program for maintenance and repair of the collection system and shall be required in this operating permit by either means of a Special Condition or Schedule of Compliance. In addition, the Department considers the development of this program as an implementation of this condition. Additionally, 40 CFR Part 403.3(o) defines a POTW to include any device and systems used in the storage, treatment, recycling and reclamation of municipal sewage or industrial wastes of liquid nature. It also includes sewers, pipes, and other conveyances only if they convey wastewater to a POTW Treatment Plant.

At this time, the Department recommends the US EPA's Guide for Evaluating Capacity, Management, Operation and Maintenance (CMOM) Programs At Sanitary Sewer Collection Systems (Document # EPA 305-B-05-002). The CMOM identifies some of the criteria used by the EPA to evaluate a collection system's management, operation, and maintenance and was intended for use by the EPA, state, regulated community, and/or third party entities. The CMOM is applicable to small, medium, and large systems; both public and privately owned; and both regional and satellite collection systems. The CMOM does not substitute for the Clean Water Act, the Missouri Clean Water Law, and both federal and state regulations, as it is not a regulation.

SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE (SOC):

A schedule of remedial measures included in a permit, including an enforceable sequence of interim requirements (actions, operations, or milestone events) leading to compliance with the Missouri Clean Water Law, its implementing regulations, and/or the terms and conditions of an operating permit.

Not Applicable ;

This permit does not contain a SOC.

STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN (SWPPP):

In accordance with 40 CFR 122.44(k) *Best Management Practices (BMPs)* to control or abate the discharge of pollutants when: (1) Authorized under section 304(e) of the Clean Water Act (CWA) for the control of toxic pollutants and hazardous substances from ancillary industrial activities; (2) Authorized under section 402(p) of the CWA for the control of storm water discharges; (3) Numeric effluent limitations are infeasible; or (4) the practices are reasonably necessary to achieve effluent limitations and standards or to carry out the purposes and intent of the CWA.

In accordance with the EPA's *Developing Your Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, A Guide for Industrial Operators*, (Document number EPA 833-B-09-002) [published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) in February 2009], BMPs are measures or practices used to reduce the amount of pollution entering (regarding this operating permit) waters of the state. BMPs may take the form of a process, activity, or physical structure.

Additionally in accordance with the Storm Water Management, a SWPPP is a series of steps and activities to (1) identify sources of pollution or contamination, and (2) select and carry out actions which prevent or control the pollution of storm water discharges.

Not Applicable ;

At this time, the permittee is not required to develop and implement a SWPPP.

VARIANCE:

As per the Missouri Clean Water Law § 644.061.4, variances shall be granted for such period of time and under such terms and conditions as shall be specified by the commission in its order. The variance may be extended by affirmative action of the commission. In no event shall the variance be granted for a period of time greater than is reasonably necessary for complying with the Missouri Clean Water Law §§644.006 to 644.141 or any standard, rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to Missouri Clean Water Law §§644.006 to 644.141.

Not Applicable ;

This operating permit is not drafted under premises of a petition for variance. The variance in the previous permit set limits more stringent than those required for lagoon systems in accordance with 10 CSR 20-7.015(8)(A)3.D.(II)(a). These limits will be kept due to the Department's determination of Reasonable Potential to exceed Water Quality Standards and to prevent backsliding but no variance is necessary for this permit cycle.

WASTELOAD ALLOCATIONS (WLA) FOR LIMITS:

As per [10 CSR 20-2.010(78)], the amount of pollutant each discharger is allowed by the Department to release into a given stream after the Department has determined total amount of pollutant that may be discharged into that stream without endangering its water quality.

Applicable ;

Wasteload allocations were calculated where applicable using water quality criteria or water quality model results and the dilution equation below:

$$C = \frac{(C_s \times Q_s) + (C_e \times Q_e)}{(Q_e + Q_s)} \quad (\text{EPA/505/2-90-001, Section 4.5.5})$$

- Where C = downstream concentration
Cs = upstream concentration
Qs = upstream flow
Ce = effluent concentration
Qe = effluent flow

Chronic wasteload allocations were determined using applicable chronic water quality criteria (CCC: criteria continuous concentration) and stream volume of flow at the edge of the mixing zone (MZ). Acute wasteload allocations were determined using applicable water quality criteria (CMC: criteria maximum concentration) and stream volume of flow at the edge of the zone of initial dilution (ZID).

Water quality based maximum daily and average monthly effluent limitations were calculated using methods and procedures outlined in USEPA's "Technical Support Document For Water Quality-based Toxics Control" (EPA/505/2-90-001).

Number of Samples "n":

Additionally, in accordance with the TSD for water quality-based permitting, effluent quality is determined by the underlying distribution of daily values, which is determined by the Long Term Average (LTA) associated with a particular Wasteload Allocation (WLA) and by the Coefficient of Variation (CV) of the effluent concentrations. Increasing or decreasing the monitoring frequency does not affect this underlying distribution or treatment performance, which should be, at a minimum, be targeted to comply with the values dictated by the WLA. Therefore, it is recommended that the actual planned frequency of monitoring normally be used to determine the value of "n" for calculating the AML. However, in situations where monitoring frequency is once per month or less, a higher value for "n" must be assumed for AML derivation purposes. Thus, the statistical procedure being employed using an assumed number of samples is "n = 4" at a minimum. For Total Ammonia as Nitrogen, "n = 30" is used.

WLA MODELING:

There are two general types of effluent limitations, technology-based effluent limits (TBELs) and water quality based effluent limits (WQBELs). If TBELs do not provide adequate protection for the receiving waters, then WQBEL must be used.

Not Applicable ;

A WLA study was either not submitted or determined not applicable by Department staff.

WATER QUALITY STANDARDS:

Per [10 CSR 20-7.031(3)], General Criteria shall be applicable to all waters of the state at all times including mixing zones. Additionally, [40 CFR 122.44(d)(1)] directs the Department to establish in each NPDES permit to include conditions to achieve water quality established under Section 303 of the Clean Water Act, including State narrative criteria for water quality.

WHOLE EFFLUENT TOXICITY (WET) TEST:

A WET test is a quantifiable method of determining if a discharge from a facility may be causing toxicity to aquatic life by itself, in combination with or through synergistic responses when mixed with receiving stream water.

Not Applicable ;

At this time, the permittee is not required to conduct WET test for this facility.

40 CFR 122.41(M) - BYPASSES:

The federal Clean Water Act (CWA), Section 402 prohibits wastewater dischargers from “bypassing” untreated or partially treated sewage (wastewater) beyond the headworks. A bypass, which includes blending, is defined as an intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility, [40 CFR 122.41(m)(1)(i)]. Additionally, Missouri regulation 10 CSR 20-2.010(11) defines a bypass as the diversion of wastewater from any portion of wastewater treatment facility or sewer system to waters of the state. Only under exceptional and specified limitations do the federal regulations allow for a facility to bypass some or all of the flow from its treatment process. Bypasses are prohibited by the CWA unless a permittee can meet all of the criteria listed in 40 CFR 122.41(m)(4)(i)(A), (B), & (C). Any bypasses from this facility are subject to the reporting required in 40 CFR 122.41(1)(6) and per Missouri’s Standard Conditions I, Section B, part 2.b. Additionally, Anticipated Bypasses include bypasses from peak flow basins or similar devices designed for peak wet weather flows.

- Not Applicable, this facility does not bypass.

303(d) LIST & TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL):

Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act requires that each state identify waters that are not meeting water quality standards and for which adequate water pollution controls have not been required. Water quality standards protect such beneficial uses of water as whole body contact (such as swimming), maintaining fish and other aquatic life, and providing drinking water for people, livestock and wildlife. The 303(d) list helps state and federal agencies keep track of waters that are impaired but not addressed by normal water pollution control programs.

A TMDL is a calculation of the maximum amount of a given pollutant that a body of water can absorb before its water quality is affected. If a water body is determined to be impaired as listed on the 303(d) list, then a watershed management plan will be developed that shall include the TMDL calculation

Not Applicable ;

This facility does not discharge to a 303(d) listed stream.

Part V – Effluent Limits Determination

Outfall #002 – Main Facility Outfall

Effluent limitations derived and established in the below Effluent Limitations Table are based on current operations of the facility. Future permit action due to facility modification may contain new operating permit terms and conditions that supersede the terms and conditions, including effluent limitations, of this operating permit.

EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS TABLE:

PARAMETER	UNIT	BASIS FOR LIMITS	DAILY MAXIMUM	WEEKLY AVERAGE	MONTHLY AVERAGE	MODIFIED	PREVIOUS PERMIT LIMITATIONS
FLOW	GPD	1	*		*	No	*
BOD ₅	MG/L	1,3		65	45	No	65/45
TSS	MG/L	1,3		110	70	No	110/70
pH	SU	1,3	≥6.5		≥6.5	No	≥6.5
AMMONIA AS N (APRIL 1 – SEPT 30)	MG/L	1,2,5	3.7		1.4	YES	4.1/1.6
AMMONIA AS N (OCT 1 – MARCH 31)	MG/L	1,2,5	7.5		2.9	YES	7.8/3.0
OIL & GREASE (MG/L)	MG/L	1,3	15		10	No	15/10

* - Monitoring requirement only.

Basis for Limitations Codes:

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| 1. State or Federal Regulation/Law | 7. Antidegradation Policy |
| 2. Water Quality Standard (includes RPA) | 8. Water Quality Model |
| 3. Water Quality Based Effluent Limits | 9. Best Professional Judgment |
| 4. Lagoon Policy | 10. TMDL or Permit in lieu of TMDL |
| 5. Ammonia Policy | 11. WET Test Policy |
| 6. Antidegradation Review | |

OUTFALL #002 – DERIVATION AND DISCUSSION OF LIMITS:

- **Flow.** In accordance with [40 CFR Part 122.44(i)(1)(ii)] the volume of effluent discharged from each outfall is needed to assure compliance with permitted effluent limitations. If the permittee is unable to obtain effluent flow, then it is the responsibility of the permittee to inform the Department, which may require the submittal of an operating permit modification.
- **Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD₅).** Effluent limitations from the previous state operating permit have been reassessed and verified that they are still protective of the receiving stream’s Water Quality. Therefore, effluent limitations have been retained from previous state operating permit, please see the **APPLICABLE DESIGNATION OF WATERS OF THE STATE** sub-section of the **Receiving Stream Information.**
- **Total Suspended Solids (TSS).** Effluent limitations from the previous state operating permit have been reassessed and verified that they are still protective of the receiving stream’s Water Quality. Therefore, effluent limitations have been retained from previous state operating permit, please see the **APPLICABLE DESIGNATION OF WATERS OF THE STATE** sub-section of the **Receiving Stream Information.**
- **pH.** Effluent limitations have been retained from previous state operating permit, please see the **APPLICABLE DESIGNATION OF WATERS OF THE STATE** sub-section of the **Receiving Stream Information.**

- Total Ammonia Nitrogen.** Early Life Stages Present Total Ammonia Nitrogen criteria apply [10 CSR 20-7.031(4)(B)7.C. & Table B3] default pH 7.8 SU Background total ammonia nitrogen = 0.01 mg/L. No mixing considerations allowed; therefore, WLA = appropriate criterion. A RPA was conducted however the values from the analysis cannot be used because the DMR data did not meet the ten (10) sample requirement. The Department has determined that lack of data proves the existence of reasonable potential to exceed WQS. Therefore, default values have been used to calculate final effluent limitations.

Season	Temp (°C)	pH (SU)	Total Ammonia Nitrogen CCC (mg/L)	Total Ammonia Nitrogen CMC (mg/L)
Summer	26	7.8	1.5	12.1
Winter	6	7.8	3.1	12.1

Summer: April 1 – September 30

Chronic WLA: $C_e = ((0.029 + 0.0)1.5 - (0.0 * 0.01))/0.029$
 $C_e = 1.5 \text{ mg/L}$

Acute WLA: $C_e = ((0.029 + 0.0)12.1 - (0.0 * 0.01))/0.029$
 $C_e = 12.1 \text{ mg/L}$

$LTA_c = 1.5 \text{ mg/L} (0.780) = \mathbf{1.2 \text{ mg/L}}$
 $LTA_a = 12.1 \text{ mg/L} (0.321) = 3.9 \text{ mg/L}$

[CV = 0.6, 99th Percentile, 30 day avg.]
 [CV = 0.6, 99th Percentile]

Use most protective number of LTA_c or LTA_a .

$MDL = 1.2 \text{ mg/L} (3.11) = 3.7 \text{ mg/L}$
 $AML = 1.2 \text{ mg/L} (1.19) = 1.4 \text{ mg/L}$

[CV = 0.6, 99th Percentile]
 [CV = 0.6, 95th Percentile, n=30]

Winter: October 1 – March 31

Chronic WLA: $C_e = ((0.029 + 0.0)3.1 - (0.0 * 0.01))/0.029$
 $C_e = 3.1 \text{ mg/L}$

Acute WLA: $C_e = ((0.029 + 0.0)12.1 - (0.0 * 0.01))/0.029$
 $C_e = 12.1 \text{ mg/L}$

$LTA_c = 3.1 \text{ mg/L} (0.780) = \mathbf{2.4 \text{ mg/L}}$
 $LTA_a = 12.1 \text{ mg/L} (0.321) = 3.9 \text{ mg/L}$

[CV = 0.6, 99th Percentile, 30 day avg.]
 [CV = 0.6, 99th Percentile]

Use most protective number of LTA_c or LTA_a .

$MDL = 2.4 \text{ mg/L} (3.11) = 7.5 \text{ mg/L}$
 $AML = 2.4 \text{ mg/L} (1.19) = 2.9 \text{ mg/L}$

[CV = 0.6, 99th Percentile]
 [CV = 0.6, 95th Percentile, n=30]

- Oil & Grease.** Conventional pollutant, effluent limitation for protection of aquatic life; 10 mg/L monthly average, 15 mg/L daily maximum.

Part VI – Finding of Affordability

Pursuant to Section 644.145, RSMo., the Department is required to determine whether a permit or decision is affordable and makes a finding of affordability for certain permitting and enforcement decisions. This requirement applies to discharges from combined or separate sanitary sewer systems or publically-owned treatment works.

Applicable; The Department is required to determine findings of affordability because the permit applies to a **combined or separate sanitary sewer system for a publically-owned treatment works**.

Finding of affordability - The Department has made a reasonable search for empirical data indicating the permit is affordable. The search consisted of a review of Department records that might contain economic data on the community, a review of information provided by the applicant as part of the application, and public comments received in response to public notices of this draft permit. If the empirical cost data was used by the permit writer, this data may consist of median household income, any other ongoing projects that the Department has knowledge, and other demographic financial information that the community provided as contemplated by Section 644.145.3. See **Appendix – Affordability Analysis**.

Part VII – Administrative Requirements

On the basis of preliminary staff review and the application of applicable standards and regulations, the Department, as administrative agent for the Missouri Clean Water Commission, proposes to issue a permit(s) subject to certain effluent limitations, schedules, and special conditions contained herein and within the operating permit. The proposed determinations are tentative pending public comment.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

The Department shall give public notice that a draft permit has been prepared and its issuance is pending. Additionally, public notice will be issued if a public hearing is to be held because of a significant degree of interest in and water quality concerns related to a draft permit. No public notice is required when a request for a permit modification or termination is denied; however, the requester and permittee must be notified of the denial in writing.

The Department must issue public notice of a pending operating permit or of a new or reissued statewide general permit. The public comment period is the length of time not less than 30 days following the date of the public notice which interested persons may submit written comments about the proposed permit.

For persons wanting to submit comments regarding this proposed operating permit, then please refer to the Public Notice page located at the front of this draft operating permit. The Public Notice page gives direction on how and where to submit appropriate comments.

- The Public Notice period for this operating permit began on June 29, 2012 and ended on July 30, 2012. No comments were received during the Public Notice period.

DATE OF FACT SHEET: JANUARY 19, 2012

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Appendices

APPENDIX A - CLASSIFICATION WORKSHEET:

ITEM	POINTS POSSIBLE	POINTS ASSIGNED
Maximum Population Equivalent (P.E.) served (Max 10 pts.)	1 pt./10,000 PE or major fraction thereof.	
Maximum: 10 pt Design Flow (avg. day) or peak month; use greater (Max 10 pts.)	1 pt. / MGD or major fraction thereof.	
EFFLUENT DISCHARGE RECEIVING WATER SENSITIVITY:		
Missouri or Mississippi River	0	
All other stream discharges except to losing streams and stream reaches supporting whole body contact	1	1
Discharge to lake or reservoir outside of designated whole body contact recreational area	2	
Discharge to losing stream, or stream, lake or reservoir area supporting whole body contact recreation	3	
PRELIMINARY TREATMENT - Headworks		
Screening and/or comminution	3	
Grit removal	3	
Plant pumping of main flow (lift station at the headworks)	3	
PRIMARY TREATMENT		
Primary clarifiers	5	
Combined sedimentation/digestion	5	
Chemical addition (except chlorine, enzymes)	4	
REQUIRED LABORATORY CONTROL – performed by plant personnel (highest level only)		
Push – button or visual methods for simple test such as pH, Settleable solids	3	3
Additional procedures such as DO, COD, BOD, titrations, solids, volatile content	5	
More advanced determinations such as BOD seeding procedures, fecal coliform, nutrients, total oils, phenols, etc.	7	
Highly sophisticated instrumentation, such as atomic absorption and gas chromatograph	10	
ALTERNATIVE FATE OF EFFLUENT		
Direct reuse or recycle of effluent	6	
Land Disposal – low rate	3	
High rate	5	
Overland flow	4	
Total from page ONE (1)	----	4

APPENDIX A - CLASSIFICATION WORKSHEET (CONTINUED):

ITEM	POINTS POSSIBLE	POINTS ASSIGNED
VARIATION IN RAW WASTE (highest level only) (DMR exceedances and Design Flow exceedances)		
Variation do not exceed those normally or typically expected	0	0
Recurring deviations or excessive variations of 100 to 200 % in strength and/or flow	2	
Recurring deviations or excessive variations of more than 200 % in strength and/or flow	4	
Raw wastes subject to toxic waste discharge	6	
SECONDARY TREATMENT		
Trickling filter and other fixed film media with secondary clarifiers	10	
Activated sludge with secondary clarifiers (including extended aeration and oxidation ditches)	15	
Stabilization ponds without aeration	5	5
Aerated lagoon	8	
Advanced Waste Treatment Polishing Pond	2	
Chemical/physical – without secondary	15	
Chemical/physical – following secondary	10	
Biological or chemical/biological	12	
Carbon regeneration	4	
DISINFECTION		
Chlorination or comparable	5	
Dechlorination	2	
On-site generation of disinfectant (except UV light)	5	
UV light	4	
SOLIDS HANDLING - SLUDGE		
Solids Handling Thickening	5	
Anaerobic digestion	10	
Aerobic digestion	6	
Evaporative sludge drying	2	
Mechanical dewatering	8	
Solids reduction (incineration, wet oxidation)	12	
Land application	6	
Total from page TWO (2)	----	5
Total from page ONE (1)	---	4
Grand Total	---	9

- A: 71 points and greater
- B: 51 points – 70 points
- C: 26 points – 50 points
- D: 0 points – 25 points

APPENDIX B – RPA RESULTS:

Symbol	Analyte	Units	CMC	RWC Acute	CCC	RWC Chronic	Reasonable Potential	n*	Range Max/Min	CV**
NH3	Total Ammonia as Nitrogen (Summer)	mg/L	12.10	4.94	1.50	0.56	NO	3	0.890/0.170	0.632376134
NH3	Total Ammonia as Nitrogen (Winter)	mg/L	12.10	38.74	3.10	4.37	YES	2	1.540/0.160	1.148008657

N/A – Not Applicable

* - If the number of samples is 10 or greater, then the CV value must be used in the WQBEL for the applicable constituent.

** - Coefficient of Variation (CV) is calculated by dividing the Standard Deviation of the sample set by the Mean of the same sample set.

RWC – Receiving Water Concentration. It is the concentration of a toxicant or the parameter toxicity in the receiving water after mixing (if applicable).

n – Is the number of samples.

MF – Multiplying Factor. 99% Confidence Level and 99% Probability Basis.

RP – Reasonable Potential. It is where an effluent is projected or calculated to cause an excursion above a water quality standard based on a number of factors including, as a minimum, the four factors listed in 40 CFR 122.44(d)(1)(i).

Reasonable Potential Analysis is conducted as per (TSD, EPA/505/2-90-001, Section 3.3.2). A more detailed version including calculations of this RPA is available upon request.

APPENDIX – AFFORDABILITY ANALYSIS:

Missouri Department of Natural Resources
Water Protection Program
Affordability Determination and Finding
(In accordance with RSMo 644.145)

Operating Permit Renewal
Baring Area Wastewater System
MO-0045811

Section 644.145 RSMo requires DNR to make a “finding of affordability” when “issuing permits under” or “enforcing provisions of” state or federal clean water laws “pertaining to any portion of a combined or separate sanitary sewer system or publicly-owned treatment works.”

Description:

Legal Description: SW¼, SW¼, NW¼, Sec. 25, T63N, R12W, Knox County

UTM Coordinates: X= 568468, Y= 4454683

Receiving Stream: Unnamed Tributary to Bridge Creek (U)

First Classified Stream and ID: Bridge Creek (C) (00070)

USGS Basin & Sub-watershed No.: (071100020302)

Outfall #001 – Eliminated

Outfall #002 – POTW – SIC #4952 – **Certified D Operator Required**

Two-cell extended detention time lagoon/sludge is retained in the lagoon.

Design population equivalent is 373.

Design flow is 18,650 gallons per day.

Design sludge production is 5.60 dry tons/year.

UTM Coordinates: X=568468, Y=4454683

Instream Monitoring Site SM1 – Discontinued

Residential Connections: 150

Commercial Connections: 1

Total Connections: 151

New Permit Requirements or Requirements Now Being Enforced:

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions. The facility has demonstrated its ability to meet these permit limits. Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) provide data that support the Department’s finding that this facility is capable of meeting the final effluent limitations with no new cost.

Range of Anticipated Costs Associated with Complying with Requirements:

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions that does not involve any significant costs for the permittee.

(1) A community’s financial capability and ability to raise or secure necessary funding;

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions and does not involve any significant costs for the permittee. The community has no need to secure funding or require changes to the rate structure. Therefore, the community shall incur no new costs and financial capability exists.

(2) Affordability of pollution control options for the individuals or households of the community;

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions, thus maintaining existing pollution control options. Therefore, no rate increase to individuals or households of the community is required to achieve the pollution control conditions of this permit.

(3) An evaluation of the overall costs and environmental benefits of the control technologies;

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions, thus maintaining existing overall costs and environmental benefits. There will be no new costs or environmental benefits of control technologies unless the facility initiates technology upgrades.

(4) An inclusion of ways to reduce economic impacts on distressed populations in the community, including but not limited to low and fixed income populations. This requirement includes but is not limited to:

(a) Allowing adequate time in implementation schedules to mitigate potential adverse impacts on distressed populations resulting from the costs of the improvements and taking into consideration local community economic considerations; and

(b) Allowing for reasonable accommodations for regulated entities when inflexible standards and fines would impose a disproportionate financial hardship in light of the environmental benefits to be gained;

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions, thus no implementation schedule is required. No improvements are necessary, resulting in no new economic impacts on distressed populations and no other new cost burden.

The facility has demonstrated the ability to comply with the conditions in the permit, avoiding any violations or fines that would result in financial hardships.

(5) An assessment of other community investments relating to environmental improvements;

This is an operating permit renewal with no new environmental improvements; therefore, it will not affect the timing or funding of other community investments.

(6) An assessment of factors set forth in the United States Environmental Protection Agency's guidance, including but not limited to the "Combined Sewer Overflow Guidance for Financial Capability Assessment and Schedule Development" that may ease the cost burdens of implementing wet weather control plans, including but not limited to small system considerations, the attainability of water quality standards, and the development of wet weather standards;

See Section (2) of this analysis for the residential indicator as outlined in the above-referenced EPA guidance.

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions. Existing efforts to control combined sewer overflows and wet weather flows at the facility are sufficient to meet the requirements of this permit. No new cost burden exists.

(7) An assessment of any other relevant local community economic condition.

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions. It creates no new cost burden that could be affected by local economic conditions.

Knox County's population has decreased by 5.3% from 2000 to 2010¹. In terms of economic strength, Knox County is average when compared to other counties in the State. As of April 2012, Knox County has a 4.8% unemployment rate² and as of 2009 the per capita income is 14% below the State's average³.

In terms of retail sales, Knox County has lost retail customers from surrounding counties and the County residents spend less than the state average on retail goods and services. The buying power index of Knox County residents is just below average compared to the rest of the regional economy⁴.

¹ http://www.missourieconomy.org/pdfs/decennial_census_missouri.pdf

² <http://www.missourieconomy.org/regional/profile/?ac=2915000003>

³ <http://www.missourieconomy.org/indicators/wages/pci09county.stm>

⁴ http://www.missourieconomy.org/pdfs/ne_wia_retail_trade_analysis.pdf

Conclusion and Finding

This is an operating permit renewal with no new or expanded conditions. The facility is currently capable of meeting the permit requirements. No new cost burden exists.

As a result of reviewing the above criteria, the Department hereby finds that the action described above will result in low or no burden with regard to the community's overall financial capability and low or no financial impact for most individual customers/households.