

**National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Program**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NPDES Permit Modification to Discharge to State Waters**

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Permits Section  
50 West Town St., Suite 700  
P. O. Box 1049  
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049  
(614) 644-2001

Public Notice No.: 216617  
Date of Issuance of Proposed Modification: December 3, 2025  
Date of Public Notice: 12/10/2025  
Effective Date of Modification: PROPOSED

Name and Address of Applicant: National Lime & Stone Company, 7250 SR 95 East, Chesterville, OH, 43317

Name and Address of Facility  
Where Discharge Occurs: National Lime and Stone Company, 7250 SR 95 East, Chesterville, OH, 43317, Morrow County

Location of Discharge:

001	28000000	Lat: 40.465833	Long: -82.662222
	GPD		

Receiving Water: Kokosing River

**Purpose of this Modification:**

1. Added an antidegradation paragraph to the cover sheet of the NPDES permit to state, "In accordance with the antidegradation rule, OAC 3745-1-05, I have determined that a lowering of water quality in the Kokosing River is necessary. Provision (D)(1)(h)(i) was applied to this application. This provision excludes the need for the submittal and subsequent review of technical alternatives and social and economic issues related to the degradation. Other rule provisions, however, including public participation and appropriate intergovernmental coordination were required and considered prior to reaching this decision."
2. Updated Director's name in the signature block on the cover sheet of the NPDES permit.
3. Revised the final effluent limitations for STORET Code 00530 - Total Suspended Solids to 30 maximum and 15 monthly average for fictitious outfall 20.
4. Revised footnote a. for station 4IJ0011320 to state, "This is not an actual outfall. This station represents the discharge of station 4IJ00113001 on any given day. This tier is ONLY APPLICABLE when the flow is greater than 4 and less than or equal to 28 MGD."

5. Revised final effluent limitations for STORET Code 00530 - Total Suspended Solids to 45 maximum and 30 monthly average for fictitious outfall 21.
6. Revised footnote a. for station 4IJ0011321 to state, "This is not an actual outfall. This station represents the discharge of station 4IJ00113001 on any given day. This tier is ONLY APPLICABLE when the flow is less than or equal to 4 MGD."
7. Removed fictitious outfalls 22 and 23 from the permit.
8. Updated Part II, Item A to list decimal degrees of the final outfall and the descriptions of fictitious outfalls 20 and 21 to match those found in Part I.A.
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10. Added Part II, Item J - Pumping System Calibration - If the pumping system alters significantly that results in a change in operating point on the pump curve, such as a substantially lowering the pond elevation or moving the pumping structure across the quarry pond, the permittee must recalibrate the pumping system curve to ensure accurate reporting of discharge flow rate. The permittee must maintain records for pumping calibration throughout the duration of this permit.
11. Updated Part III, 2 to state, "RESERVED."

The following statements apply to the modification. On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of standards and regulations, the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency has issued a proposed modification for the aforementioned discharge subject to certain effluent conditions and special conditions. The proposed modification is tentative but shall become final on the effective date unless: 1) an adjudication hearing is requested, 2) the Director withdraws and revises the proposed modification after consideration of the record of a public meeting, written comments, or statements, or 3) upon disapproval by the administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Within thirty days of publication of this notice, any person may submit written comments, a statement as to why the proposed modification should be changed, a request for a public meeting on the proposed modification, and/or a request for notice of further actions concerning the modification. All communications timely received will be considered in the final formulation of the modification. If significant public interest is shown, a public meeting will be held prior to finalization of the modification.

***New or Revised Water Quality Based Effluent Limitations:*** This proposed modification may contain new or revised water quality based effluent limitation(s) (WQBELs). In accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 6111.03(J)(3), the Director establishes WQBELs after considering, to the extent consistent with the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, evidence relating to the technical feasibility and economic reasonableness of removing the polluting properties from those wastes and to evidence relating to conditions calculated to result from that action and their relation to benefits to the people of the state and to accomplishment of the purposes of this chapter. This determination was made based on all pertinent data and information available to the Director at the time the modification was drafted.

This public notice hereby allows the permittee to provide to the Director for consideration during this public comment period, additional site-specific pertinent and factual information with respect to the technical feasibility and economic reasonableness for achieving compliance with any new or revised WQBEL(s). This information shall be submitted to the addresses listed below.

Should the applicant need additional time to review, obtain or develop site-specific pertinent and factual information with respect to the technical feasibility and economic reasonableness of achieving compliance with a new or revised WQBEL(s), written notification for any additional time shall be sent no later than 30 days after the date of this public notice to the Director at the addresses listed below.

Should the applicant determine that compliance with a new or revised WQBEL is technically and/or economically unattainable, the permittee may submit an application for a variance to the applicable WQBEL in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-1-38 no later than 30 days after the date of this public notice to the addresses listed below.

Alternately, the applicant may propose the development of site-specific water quality standard(s) pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-1-39. The permittee shall submit written notification to the Director regarding their intent to develop site-specific water quality standards for the pollutant at issue to the addresses listed below no later than 30 days after the date of this public notice.

Within 45 days of the issuance of the proposed modification, any officer or an agency of the state or of a political subdivision, acting in his representative capacity or any person aggrieved or adversely affected by issuance of it may request an adjudication hearing by submitting a written objection in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3745.07. Following the finalization of the modification by the Director, any person who was a party to an adjudication hearing may appeal to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission.

All comments or statements on the proposed modification and all requests for notice of further actions should be submitted in person, by e-mail to: [epa.dswcomments@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:epa.dswcomments@epa.ohio.gov) or by mail to: Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Surface Water, Lazarus Government Center, Permits Processing Unit, 50 West Town Street., P. O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049. Applications, fact sheets, proposed permits including proposed effluent limitations, special conditions, comments received, and other documents are available for inspection and may be copied at a cost of 5 cents per page at the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency at the above address any time between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Copies of public notices are available at no charge at the same address.

Individual NPDES draft permits that are in public notice are available on DSW's web site:

<https://epa.ohio.gov/divisions-and-offices/surface-water/permitting/list-of-draft-permit-public-notices>

Requests for, and communications concerning, adjudication hearings and public meetings should be addressed to: Legal Records Section, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Lazarus Government Center, 50 West Town Street Ste 700, P. O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43266-0149, (614) 644-2115.

All communications should specify the OEPA permit number and public notice number.

Mailing lists are maintained for persons or groups who desire to receive public notice of proposed and final actions taken on applications for dischargers located in the state or in certain geographical areas. Persons or groups may have their names put on such a list by making a written request to the Permits Processing Unit. Persons or groups may also request copies of fact sheets, applications, or other documents pertaining to a specific application.



December 1, 2025

# PROPOSED

Ohio EPA permit No. 4IJ00113\*CD  
Application No. OH0142514  
Effective Date:  
Facility Name: National Lime and Stone Company

National Lime and Stone Company  
Brian Riedmaier  
7250 SR 95 East  
Chesterville, OH 43317

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Rule 3745-33-04 (D) of the Ohio Administrative Code, the above referenced NPDES Permit is hereby modified as follows:

## Revision

1. Added an antidegradation paragraph to the cover sheet of the NPDES permit to state, "In accordance with the antidegradation rule, OAC 3745-1-05, I have determined that a lowering of water quality in the Kokosing River is necessary. Provision (D)(1)(h)(i) was applied to this application. This provision excludes the need for the submittal and subsequent review of technical alternatives and social and economic issues related to the degradation. Other rule provisions, however, including public participation and appropriate intergovernmental coordination were required and considered prior to reaching this decision."
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11. Updated Part III, 2 to state, "RESERVED."

All terms and conditions of the existing permit not recommended for modification by this document will remain in effect. Any modified term or condition contained in this modification shall supersede, on the date this modification is effective, the existing respective term or condition of the permit.

When the modification is effective, the Ohio EPA permit number will be changed to **4IJ00113\*DD**. The application number will remain OH0142514. Attached is a copy of the updated NPDES permit.

Sincerely,

John Logue  
Director

Ohio EPA Permit No.: 4IJ00113\*DD  
Application No. OH0142514

Modification Issuance Date: December 3, 2025  
Modification Effective Date: PROPOSED  
Modification Expiration Date: June 30, 2026

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Authorization to Discharge Under the  
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

In compliance with the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq., hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), and the Ohio Water Pollution Control Act (Ohio Revised Code Section 6111),

National Lime & Stone Company

is authorized by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, hereinafter referred to as "Ohio EPA," to discharge from the National Lime & Stone wastewater treatment works located at 7250 State Route 95 East, Chesterville, Morrow County and discharging to the Kokosing River in accordance with the conditions specified in Parts I, II, III, IV, V, and VI of this permit.

In accordance with the antidegradation rule, OAC 3745-1-05, I have determined that a lowering of water quality in the Kokosing River is necessary. Provision (D)(1)(h)(i) was applied to this application. This provision excludes the need for the submittal and subsequent review of technical alternatives and social and economic issues related to the degradation. Other rule provisions, however, including public participation and appropriate intergovernmental coordination were required and considered prior to reaching this decision.

This permit is conditioned upon payment of applicable fees as required by Section 3745.11 of the Ohio Revised Code.

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight on the expiration date shown above. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the above date of expiration, the permittee shall submit such information and forms as are required by the Ohio EPA no later than 180 days prior to the above date of expiration.

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John Logue  
Director

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PART I, A. - FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. During the period beginning on the effective date of this NPDES permit modification and lasting until the expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge in accordance with the following limitations and monitoring requirements from outfall 4IJ00113001. See Part II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS, for locations of effluent sampling.

Table - Final Outfall - 001 – Final

Effluent Characteristic  Parameter	Discharge Limitations							Monitoring Requirements		
	Concentration Specified Units				Loading* kg/day			Measuring Frequency	Sampling Type	Monitoring Months
	Maximum	Minimum	Weekly	Monthly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly			
00300 - Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l	-	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	1/Week	Grab	Summer
00400 - pH - S.U.	9.0	6.5	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
50050 - Flow Rate - MGD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Day	Continuous	All
70300 - Residue, Total Filterable - mg/l	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All

Notes for Station Number 4IJ00113001:

- a. If this station is monitored during a particular month and there are no discharges during the entire month, select the "No Discharge" check box on the data entry form and PIN the eDMR.
- b. Sampling for Outfall 4IJ00113001 and Station 4IJ00113901 shall occur on the same day.

PART I, A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

2. During the period beginning on the effective date of this permit and lasting until the expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge in accordance with the following limitations and monitoring requirements from outfall 4IJ00113020. See Part II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS, for locations of effluent sampling.

Table-Fictitious Outfall/Station-020-Final

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge Limitations							Monitoring Requirements		
Parameter	Concentration Specified Units				Loading* kg/day			Measuring Frequency	Sampling Type	Monitoring Months
	Maximum	Minimum	Weekly	Monthly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly			
00530 – Total Suspended Solids - mg/l	30	-	-	15	-	-	-	1/Week	Grab	All

Notes for Station Number 4IJ00113020:

- a. This is not an actual outfall. This station represents the discharge of station 4IJ00113001 on any given day. This tier is ONLY APPLICABLE when the flow is greater than 4 and less than or equal to 28 MGD.
- b. Sampling shall be performed when discharging. If there are no discharges during the entire month eDMR users should select the "No Discharge" check box on the data entry form and PIN the eDMR.



PART I, A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

3. During the period beginning on the effective date of this permit and lasting until the expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge in accordance with the following limitations and monitoring requirements from outfall 4IJ00113021. See Part II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS, for locations of effluent sampling.

Table-Fictitious Outfall/Station-021-Final

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge Limitations							Monitoring Requirements		
Parameter	Concentration Specified Units				Loading* kg/day			Measuring Frequency	Sampling Type	Monitoring Months
	Maximum	Minimum	Weekly	Monthly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly			
00530 – Total Suspended Solids - mg/l	45	-	-	30	-	-	-	1/Week	Grab	All

Notes for Station Number 4IJ00113021:

- a. This is not an actual outfall. This station represents the discharge of station 4IJ00113001 on any given day. This tier is ONLY APPLICABLE when the flow is less than or equal to 4 MGD.
- b. Sampling shall be performed when discharging. If there are no discharges during the entire month eDMR users should select the "No Discharge" check box on the data entry form and PIN the eDMR.

Part I, B. - DOWNSTREAM-NEARFIELD MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. Downstream-Nearfield Monitoring. During the period beginning on the effective date of this NPDES permit modification and lasting until the expiration date, the permittee shall monitor the receiving stream, downstream of the point of discharge, at Station Number 4IJ00113901, and report to the Ohio EPA in accordance with the following table. See Part II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS, for location of sampling.

Table - Downstream-Nearfield Monitoring - 901 – Final

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge Limitations							Monitoring Requirements		
Parameter	Concentration Specified Units				Loading* kg/day			Measuring Frequency	Sampling Type	Monitoring Months
	Maximum	Minimum	Weekly	Monthly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly			
00400 - pH - S.U.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All
70300 - Residue, Total Filterable - mg/l	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1/Month	Grab	All

NOTES for Station Number 4IJ00113901:

a. Sampling for Outfall 4IJ00113001 and Station 4IJ00113901 shall occur on the same day.

## PART II, OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. Description of the location of the required sampling stations are as follows:

Sample Station	Description of Location
4IJ00113001	Discharge of final effluent from sedimentation pond prior to entering the Kokosing River (Lat: 40.4658; Long: -82.6622)
4IJ00113020	This is not an actual outfall. This station represents the discharge of station 4IJ00113001 on any given day. This tier is ONLY APPLICABLE when the flow is greater than 4 and less than or equal to 28 MGD.
4IJ00113021	This is not an actual outfall. This station represents the discharge of station 4IJ00113001 on any given day. This tier is ONLY APPLICABLE when the flow is less than or equal to 4 MGD.
4IJ00113901	Downstream monitoring station

B. This permit shall be modified, or alternatively, revoked and reissued, to 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.

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

C. Water quality based permit limitations in this permit may be revised based on updated wasteload allocations or use designation rules. This permit may be modified, or revoked and reissued, to include new water quality based effluent limits or other conditions that are necessary to comply with a revised wasteload allocation, or an approved total maximum daily loads (TMDL) report as required under Section 303 (d) of the Clean Water Act.

D. Grab samples shall be collected at such times and locations, and in such fashion, as to be representative of the facility's performance.

### E. Outfall Signage

The permittee shall maintain a permanent marker on the stream bank at each outfall that is regulated under this NPDES permit. If a marker does not currently exist, the permittee shall install one within 4 months of the effective date of this permit. This includes final outfalls, bypasses, and combined sewer overflows. The marker shall consist at a minimum of the name of the establishment to which the permit was issued, the Ohio EPA permit number, and the outfall number and a contact telephone number. The information shall be printed in letters not less than two inches in height. The marker shall be a minimum of 2 feet by 2 feet and shall be a minimum of 3 feet above ground level. The sign shall not be obstructed such that persons in boats or persons swimming on the river or someone fishing or walking along the shore cannot read the sign. Vegetation shall be periodically removed to keep the sign visible. If the outfall is normally submerged the sign shall indicate that. If the outfall is a combined sewer outfall, the sign shall indicate that untreated human sewage may be discharged from the outfall during wet weather and that

harmful bacteria may be present in the water. When an existing marker is replaced or reset, the new marker shall comply with the requirements of this section.

F. The permittee shall design, construct and maintain the discharge point so as to control the discharge velocity to prevent stream bank erosion and streambed scour.

G. The permittee may request a modification to this NPDES permit to remove the downstream monitoring requirements at station 4IJ00113901 in Part I.B.1. and the final effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for dissolved oxygen from station 4IJ00113001 in Part I.A.1. of this NPDES permit, provided that 24 months of data shows no downstream impacts and no reasonable potential to violate dissolved oxygen water quality standards.

H. The permittee is prohibited to discharge more than 28 million gallons of wastewater during a calendar day.

I. After twelve (12) months from the effective date of this permit and twenty-four (24) discrete samples have been collected, the permittee may apply for a modification to reduce monitoring frequency for total suspended solids and dissolved oxygen.

#### J. Pumping System Calibration

If the pumping system alters significantly that results in a change in operating point on the pump curve, such a substantially lowering the pond elevation or moving the pumping structure across the quarry pond, the permittee must recalibrate the pumping system curve to ensure accurate reporting of discharge flow rate. The permittee must maintain records for pumping calibration throughout the duration of this permit.

## PART III - GENERAL CONDITIONS

### 1. DEFINITIONS

"Daily discharge" means the discharge of a pollutant measured during a calendar day or any 24-hour period that reasonably represents the calendar day for purposes of sampling. For pollutants with limitations expressed in units of mass, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the total mass of the pollutant discharged over the day. For pollutants with limitations expressed in other units of measurement, the "daily discharge" is calculated as the average measurement of the pollutant over the day.

"Average weekly" discharge limitation means the highest allowable average of "daily discharges" over a calendar week, calculated as the sum of all "daily discharges" measured during a calendar week divided by the number of "daily discharges" measured during that week. Each of the following 7-day periods is defined as a calendar week: Week 1 is Days 1 - 7 of the month; Week 2 is Days 8 - 14; Week 3 is Days 15 - 21; and Week 4 is Days 22 - 28. If the "daily discharge" on days 29, 30 or 31 exceeds the "average weekly" discharge limitation, Ohio EPA may elect to evaluate the last 7 days of the month as Week 4 instead of Days 22 - 28. Compliance with fecal coliform bacteria or *E. coli* bacteria limitations shall be determined using the geometric mean.

"Average monthly" discharge limitation means the highest allowable average of "daily discharges" over a calendar month, calculated as the sum of all "daily discharges" measured during a calendar month divided by the number of "daily discharges" measured during that month. Compliance with fecal coliform bacteria or *E. coli* bacteria limitations shall be determined using the geometric mean.

"85 percent removal" means the arithmetic mean of the values for effluent samples collected in a period of 30 consecutive days shall not exceed 15 percent of the arithmetic mean of the values for influent samples collected at approximately the same times during the same period.

"Absolute Limitations" Compliance with limitations having descriptions of "shall not be less than," "not greater than," "shall not exceed," "minimum," or "maximum" shall be determined from any single value for effluent samples and/or measurements collected.

"Net concentration" shall mean the difference between the concentration of a given substance in a sample taken of the discharge and the concentration of the same substances in a sample taken at the intake which supplies water to the given process. For the purpose of this definition, samples that are taken to determine the net concentration shall always be 24-hour composite samples made up of at least six increments taken at regular intervals throughout the plant day.

"Net Load" shall mean the difference between the load of a given substance as calculated from a sample taken of the discharge and the load of the same substance in a sample taken at the intake which supplies water to given process. For purposes of this definition, samples that are taken to determine the net loading shall always be 24-hour composite samples made up of at least six increments taken at regular intervals throughout the plant day.

"MGD" means million gallons per day.

"mg/l" means milligrams per liter.

"ug/l" means micrograms per liter.

"ng/l" means nanograms per liter.

"S.U." means standard pH unit.

"kg/day" means kilograms per day.

"Reporting Code" is a five digit number used by the Ohio EPA in processing reported data. The reporting code does not imply the type of analysis used nor the sampling techniques employed.

"Quarterly (1/Quarter) sampling frequency" means the sampling shall be done in the months of March, June, August, and December, unless specifically identified otherwise in the Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements table.

"Yearly (1/Year) sampling frequency" means the sampling shall be done in the month of September, unless specifically identified otherwise in the effluent limitations and monitoring requirements table.

"Semi-annual (2/Year) sampling frequency" means the sampling shall be done during the months of June and December, unless specifically identified otherwise.

"Winter" shall be considered to be the period from November 1 through April 30.

"Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of the treatment facility.

"Summer" shall be considered to be the period from May 1 through October 31.

"Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which would cause them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

"Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology-based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.

"Sewage sludge" means a solid, semi-solid, or liquid residue generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works as defined in section 6111.01 of the Revised Code. "Sewage sludge" includes, but is not limited to, scum or solids removed in primary, secondary, or advanced wastewater treatment processes. "Sewage sludge" does not include ash generated during the firing of sewage sludge in a sewage sludge incinerator, grit and screenings generated during preliminary treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works, animal manure, residue generated during treatment of animal manure, or domestic septage.

"Sewage sludge weight" means the weight of sewage sludge, in dry U.S. tons, including admixtures such as liming materials or bulking agents. Monitoring frequencies for sewage sludge parameters are based on the reported sludge weight generated in a calendar year (use the most recent calendar year data when the NPDES permit is up for renewal).

"Sewage sludge fee weight" means the weight of sewage sludge, in dry U.S. tons, excluding admixtures such as liming materials or bulking agents. Annual sewage sludge fees, as per section 3745.11(Y) of the Ohio Revised Code, are based on the reported sludge fee weight for the most recent calendar year.

2. RESERVED.

3. FACILITY OPERATION AND QUALITY CONTROL

All wastewater treatment works shall be operated in a manner consistent with the following:

A. At all times, the permittee shall maintain in good working order and operate as efficiently as possible all treatment or control facilities or systems installed or used by the permittee necessary to achieve compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with conditions of the permit.

B. The permittee shall effectively monitor the operation and efficiency of treatment and control facilities and the quantity and quality of the treated discharge.

C. Maintenance of wastewater treatment works that results in degradation of effluent quality shall be scheduled during non-critical water quality periods and shall be carried out in a manner approved by Ohio EPA as specified in the Paragraph in the PART III entitled, "UNAUTHORIZED DISCHARGES".

4. REPORTING

A. Monitoring data required by this permit shall be submitted monthly on Ohio EPA 4500 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) forms using the electronic DMR (e-DMR) internet application. e-DMR allows permitted facilities to enter, sign, and submit DMRs on the internet. e-DMR information is found on the following web page:

<https://epa.ohio.gov/divisions-and-offices/surface-water/permitting/electronic-business-services>

B. DMRs shall be signed by a facility's Responsible Official or a Delegated Responsible Official (i.e. a person delegated by the Responsible Official). The Responsible Official of a facility is defined as:

1. For a corporation: by a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a responsible corporate officer means: (a) a president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy or decision-making functions for the corporation; or (b) The manager of one or more manufacturing, production or operating facilities, provided the manager is authorized to make management decisions that govern the operation of the regulated facility including having explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiating and directing other comprehensive measures to assure long-term environmental compliance with environmental laws and regulations; the manager can ensure that the necessary systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for permit application requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures.

2. For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or

3. In the case of a municipal, state, or other public facility, by either the principal executive officer, the ranking elected official or other duly authorized employee.

For e-DMR, the person signing and submitting the DMR will need to obtain an eBusiness Center account and Personal Identification Number (PIN). Additionally, Delegated Responsible Officials must be delegated by the Responsible Official, either on-line using the eBusiness Center's delegation function, or

on a paper delegation form provided by Ohio EPA. For more information on the PIN and delegation processes, please view the following web page:  
<https://epa.ohio.gov/help-center/ebusiness-center>

C. DMRs submitted using e-DMR shall be submitted to Ohio EPA by the 20th day of the month following the month-of-interest.

D. If the permittee monitors any pollutant at the location(s) designated herein more frequently than required by this permit, using approved analytical methods as specified in Section 5. SAMPLING AND ANALYTICAL METHODS, the results of such monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the values required in the reports specified above.

E. Analyses of pollutants not required by this permit, except as noted in the preceding paragraph, shall not be reported to the Ohio EPA, but records shall be retained as specified in Section 7. RECORDS RETENTION.

## 5. SAMPLING AND ANALYTICAL METHOD

Samples and measurements taken as required herein shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored flow. Test procedures for the analysis of pollutants shall conform to regulation 40 CFR 136, "Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants" unless other test procedures have been specified in this permit. The permittee shall periodically calibrate and perform maintenance procedures on all monitoring and analytical instrumentation at intervals to ensure accuracy of measurements.

## 6. RECORDING OF RESULTS

For each measurement or sample taken pursuant to the requirements of this permit, the permittee shall record the following information:

- A. The exact place and date of sampling; (time of sampling not required on EPA 4500)
- B. The person(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
- C. The date the analyses were performed on those samples;
- D. The person(s) who performed the analyses;
- E. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- F. The results of all analyses and measurements.

## 7. RECORDS RETENTION

The permittee shall retain all of the following records for the wastewater treatment works for a minimum of three years except those records that pertain to sewage sludge disposal, use, storage, or treatment, which shall be kept for a minimum of five years, including:

- A. All sampling and analytical records (including internal sampling data not reported);
- B. All original recordings for any continuous monitoring instrumentation;



- C. All instrumentation, calibration and maintenance records;
- D. All plant operation and maintenance records;
- E. All reports required by this permit; and
- F. Records of all data used to complete the application for this permit for a period of at least three years, or five years for sewage sludge, from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or application.

These periods will be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation, or when requested by the Regional Administrator or the Ohio EPA. The three-year period, or five-year period for sewage sludge, for retention of records shall start from the date of sample, measurement, report, or application.

## 8. AVAILABILITY OF REPORTS

Except for data determined by the Ohio EPA to be entitled to confidential status, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at the appropriate district offices of the Ohio EPA. Both the Clean Water Act and Section 6111.05 Ohio Revised Code state that effluent data and receiving water quality data shall not be considered confidential.

## 9. DUTY TO PROVIDE INFORMATION

The permittee shall furnish to the Director, within a reasonable time, any information which the Director may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking, and reissuing, or terminating the permit, or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to the Director, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

## 10. RIGHT OF ENTRY

The permittee shall allow the Director or an authorized representative upon presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law to:

- A. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit.
- B. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit.
- C. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit.
- D. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act, any substances or parameters at any location.

## 11. UNAUTHORIZED DISCHARGES

A. Bypass Not Exceeding Limitations - The permittee may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of paragraphs 11.B and 11.C.

B. Notice

1. Anticipated Bypass - If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice, if possible, at least ten days before the date of the bypass.

2. Unanticipated Bypass - The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in paragraph 12.B (24-hour notice).

#### C. Prohibition of Bypass

1. Bypass is prohibited, and the Director may take enforcement action against a permittee for bypass, unless:

a. Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;

b. There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and

c. The permittee submitted notices as required under paragraph 11.B.

2. The Director may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Director determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in paragraph 11.C.1.

## 12. NONCOMPLIANCE NOTIFICATION

### A. Exceedance of a Daily Maximum Discharge Limit

1. The permittee shall report noncompliance that is the result of any violation of a daily maximum discharge limit for any of the pollutants listed by the Director in the permit by e-mail or telephone within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery. The permittee may report to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office e-mail account as follows (this method is preferred):

Southeast District Office: [sedo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:sedo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov)

Southwest District Office: [swdo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:swdo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov)

Northwest District Office: [nwdo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:nwdo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov)

Northeast District Office: [nedo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:nedo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov)

Central District Office: [cdo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:cdo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov)

Central Office: [co24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:co24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov)

The permittee shall attach a noncompliance report to the email. A noncompliance report form is available on the following website under the Monitoring and Reporting - Non-Compliance Notification section: <https://epa.ohio.gov/divisions-and-offices/surface-water/permitting/individual-wastewater-discharge-permits>

Or, the permittee may report to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office by telephone toll-free between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM as follows:

Southeast District Office: (800) 686-7330

Southwest District Office: (800) 686-8930

Northwest District Office: (800) 686-6930

Northeast District Office: (800) 686-6330  
Central District Office: (800) 686-2330  
Central Office: (614) 644-2001

The permittee shall include the following information in the telephone noncompliance report:

- a. The name of the permittee, and a contact name and telephone number;
- b. The limit(s) that has been exceeded;
- c. The extent of the exceedance(s);
- d. The cause of the exceedance(s);
- e. The period of the exceedance(s) including exact dates and times;
- f. If uncorrected, the anticipated time the exceedance(s) is expected to continue; and,
- g. Steps taken to reduce, eliminate or prevent occurrence of the exceedance(s).

#### B. Other Permit Violations

1. The permittee shall report noncompliance that is the result of any unanticipated bypass resulting in an exceedance of any effluent limit in the permit or any upset resulting in an exceedance of any effluent limit in the permit by e-mail or telephone within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery. The permittee may report to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office e-mail account as follows (this method is preferred):

Southeast District Office: [sedo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:sedo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov)  
Southwest District Office: [swdo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:swdo24hournpdes@epa.ohio.gov)  
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The permittee shall include the following information in the telephone noncompliance report:

- a. The name of the permittee, and a contact name and telephone number;
- b. The time(s) at which the discharge occurred, and was discovered;
- c. The approximate amount and the characteristics of the discharge;
- d. The stream(s) affected by the discharge;
- e. The circumstances which created the discharge;
- f. The name and telephone number of the person(s) who have knowledge of these circumstances;

- g. What remedial steps are being taken; and,
- h. The name and telephone number of the person(s) responsible for such remedial steps.

2. The permittee shall report noncompliance that is the result of any spill or discharge which may endanger human health or the environment within thirty (30) minutes of discovery by calling the 24-Hour Emergency Hotline toll-free at (800) 282-9378. The permittee shall also report the spill or discharge by e-mail or telephone within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery in accordance with B.1 above.

C. When the telephone option is used for the noncompliance reports required by A and B, the permittee shall submit to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office a confirmation letter and a completed noncompliance report within five (5) days of the discovery of the noncompliance. This follow up report is not necessary for the e-mail option which already includes a completed noncompliance report.

D. If the permittee is unable to meet any date for achieving an event, as specified in a schedule of compliance in their permit, the permittee shall submit a written report to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office within fourteen (14) days of becoming aware of such a situation. The report shall include the following:

- 1. The compliance event which has been or will be violated;
- 2. The cause of the violation;
- 3. The remedial action being taken;
- 4. The probable date by which compliance will occur; and
- 5. The probability of complying with subsequent and final events as scheduled.

E. The permittee shall report all other instances of permit noncompliance not reported under paragraphs A or B of this section on their monthly DMR submission. The DMR shall contain comments that include the information listed in paragraphs A or B as appropriate.

F. If the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit an application, or submitted incorrect information in an application or in any report to the director, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

### 13. RESERVED

### 14. DUTY TO MITIGATE

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

### 15. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES

All discharges authorized herein shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. The discharge of any pollutant identified in this permit more frequently than, or at a level in excess of, that authorized by this permit shall constitute a violation of the terms and conditions of this permit. Such violations may result in the imposition of civil and/or criminal penalties as provided for in Section 309 of the Act and Ohio Revised Code Sections 6111.09 and 6111.99.

## 16. DISCHARGE CHANGES

The following changes must be reported to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office as soon as practicable:

A. For all treatment works, any significant change in character of the discharge which the permittee knows or has reason to believe has occurred or will occur which would constitute cause for modification or revocation and reissuance. The permittee shall give advance notice to the Director of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements. Notification of permit changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

B. For publicly owned treatment works:

1. Any proposed plant modification, addition, and/or expansion that will change the capacity or efficiency of the plant;
2. The addition of any new significant industrial discharge; and
3. Changes in the quantity or quality of the wastes from existing tributary industrial discharges which will result in significant new or increased discharges of pollutants.

C. For non-publicly owned treatment works, any proposed facility expansions, production increases, or process modifications, which will result in new, different, or increased discharges of pollutants.

Following this notice, modifications to the permit may be made to reflect any necessary changes in permit conditions, including any necessary effluent limitations for any pollutants not identified and limited herein. A determination will also be made as to whether a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review will be required. Sections 6111.44 and 6111.45, Ohio Revised Code, require that plans for treatment works or improvements to such works be approved by the Director of the Ohio EPA prior to initiation of construction.

D. In addition to the reporting requirements under 40 CFR 122.41(l) and per 40 CFR 122.42(a), all existing manufacturing, commercial, mining, and silvicultural dischargers must notify the Director as soon as they know or have reason to believe:

1. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge on a routine or frequent basis of any toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit. If that discharge will exceed the highest of the "notification levels" specified in 40 CFR Sections 122.42(a)(1)(i) through 122.42(a)(1)(iv).
2. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in any discharge, on a non-routine or infrequent basis, of a toxic pollutant which is not limited in the permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the "notification levels" specified in 122.42(a)(2)(i) through 122.42(a)(2)(iv).

## 17. TOXIC POLLUTANTS

The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307 (a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants within the time provided in the regulations that establish these standards or prohibitions, even if the permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement. Following establishment of such standards or prohibitions, the Director shall modify this permit and so notify the permittee.

## 18. PERMIT MODIFICATION OR REVOCATION

A. After notice and opportunity for a hearing, this permit may be modified or revoked, by the Ohio EPA, in whole or in part during its term for cause including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Violation of any terms or conditions of this permit;
2. Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts; or
3. Change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the permitted discharge.

B. Pursuant to rule 3745-33-04, Ohio Administrative Code, the permittee may at any time apply to the Ohio EPA for modification of any part of this permit. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification or revocation does not stay any permit condition. The application for modification should be received by the appropriate Ohio EPA district office at least ninety days before the date on which it is desired that the modification become effective. The application shall be made only on forms approved by the Ohio EPA.

## 19. TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL

This permit may be transferred or assigned, and a new owner or successor can be authorized to discharge from this facility, provided the following requirements are met:

A. The permittee shall notify the succeeding owner or successor of the existence of this permit by a letter, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office. The copy of that letter will serve as the permittee's notice to the Director of the proposed transfer. The copy of that letter shall be received by the appropriate Ohio EPA district office sixty (60) days prior to the proposed date of transfer;

B. A written agreement containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility and coverage between the current and new permittee (including acknowledgement that the existing permittee is liable for violations up to that date, and that the new permittee is liable for violations from that date on) shall be submitted to the appropriate Ohio EPA district office within sixty days after receipt by the district office of the copy of the letter from the permittee to the succeeding owner;

At any time during the sixty (60) day period between notification of the proposed transfer and the effective date of the transfer, the Director may prevent the transfer if he concludes that such transfer will jeopardize compliance with the terms and conditions of the permit. If the Director does not prevent transfer, he will modify the permit to reflect the new owner.

## 20. OIL AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIABILITY

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties to which the permittee is or may be subject under Section 311 of the Clean Water Act.

## 21. SOLIDS DISPOSAL

Collected grit and screenings, and other solids other than sewage sludge, shall be disposed of in such a manner as to prevent entry of those wastes into waters of the state, and in accordance with all applicable laws and rules.

## 22. CONSTRUCTION AFFECTING NAVIGABLE WATERS

This permit does not authorize or approve the construction of any onshore or offshore physical structures or facilities or the undertaking of any work in any navigable waters.

## 23. CIVIL AND CRIMINAL LIABILITY

Except as exempted in the permit conditions on UNAUTHORIZED DISCHARGES or UPSETS, nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance.

## 24. STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable state law or regulation under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Clean Water Act.

## 25. PROPERTY RIGHTS

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of federal, state, or local laws or regulations.

## 26. UPSET

The provisions of 40 CFR Section 122.41(n), relating to "Upset," are specifically incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. For definition of "upset," see Part III, Paragraph 1, DEFINITIONS.

## 27. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit, or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.

## 28. SIGNATORY REQUIREMENTS

All applications submitted to the Director shall be signed and certified in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 122.22.

All reports submitted to the Director shall be signed and certified in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR Section 122.22.

## 29. OTHER INFORMATION

A. Where the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or in any report to the Director, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

B. ORC 6111.99 provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 per violation.

C. ORC 6111.99 states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement, representation, or certification in any record or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or noncompliance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 per violation.

D. ORC 6111.99 provides that any person who violates Sections 6111.04, 6111.042, 6111.05, or division (A) of Section 6111.07 of the Revised Code shall be fined not more than \$25,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

### 30. NEED TO HALT OR REDUCE ACTIVITY

40 CFR 122.41(c) states that it shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with conditions of this permit.

### 31. APPLICABLE FEDERAL RULES

All references to 40 CFR in this permit mean the version of 40 CFR which is effective as of the effective date of this permit.

### 32. AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC SEWERS

Notwithstanding the issuance or non-issuance of an NPDES permit to a semi-public disposal system, whenever the sewage system of a publicly owned treatment works becomes available and accessible, the permittee operating any semi-public disposal system shall abandon the semi-public disposal system and connect it into the publicly owned treatment works.



## PART IV. STORM WATER CONTROL MEASURES

In Part IV and in Part VI, the term “minimize” means reduce and/or eliminate to the extent achievable using control measures (including best management practices) that are technologically available and economically practicable and achievable in light of best industry practice.

Documentation Requirements. You are required to keep all documents related to compliance with this permit including inspections, training, pollutant sources and storm water management controls.

### A. Additional Requirements

Beginning on the effective date of this permit, or, if the facility has yet to discharge, following the initial discharge, you shall complete the additional requirements below.

#### 1. Routine Facility Inspections.

You shall document your procedures for performing routine inspections.

- a. Conduct routine facility inspections of all areas of the facility where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water. Routine facility inspections shall be conducted at least quarterly. Perform these inspections during periods when the facility is in operation. You shall document the findings of each routine facility inspection performed and maintain this documentation onsite. At a minimum, your documentation of each routine facility inspection shall include:
  - a. The inspection date;
  - b. The name(s) of the inspector(s);
  - c. Weather information and a description of any discharges occurring at the time of the inspection;
  - d. The areas inspected, notable observations, and any relevant maintenance or repairs.
- b. Exceptions to Routine Facility Inspections:

*Inactive and Unstaffed Sites:* The requirement to conduct routine facility inspections on a quarterly basis does not apply at a facility that is inactive and unstaffed. If circumstances change and your facility becomes active and/or staffed, this exception no longer applies and you shall immediately resume quarterly facility inspections. If you are not qualified for this exception at the time you are authorized under this permit, but during the permit term you become qualified because your facility is inactive and unstaffed, then you are no longer required to complete routine facility inspections until the facility becomes active and or staffed.

Inactive and unstaffed facilities with a Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code in Major Groups 14 (Non-Metallic Mineral Mining and Dressing), 29 (Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials and Lubricant Manufacturing), or 32 (Glass, Clay, Cement, Concrete, and Gypsum Products), are not required to meet the “no industrial materials or activities exposed to storm water” standard to be eligible for this exception from routine inspections.

2. Description of Potential Pollutant Sources. You shall document at your facility where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water and from which allowable non-storm water discharges are released. Industrial materials or activities, include, but are not limited to: material handling equipment or activities; industrial machinery; raw materials; industrial production and

processes: and intermediate products, by-products, final product or waste product. For each area identified, the description shall include, at a minimum:

- a. Site Description shall include:
  - i. A general location map (e.g. U.S. Geologic Survey (USGS) quadrangle map) with enough detail to identify the location of your facility and all receiving waters for your storm water discharges.
  - ii. A site map showing
    - The property boundary;
    - Directions of storm water flow (use arrows);
    - Locations of all receiving waters in the immediate vicinity of your facility;
    - Locations of potential pollutant sources;
    - Locations where significant spills or leaks identified have occurred;
    - Locations of outfalls, with a unique identification code for each outfall (e.g. Outfall 001, Outfall 002, etc).
    - Municipal separate storm sewer systems, where your storm water discharges to them;
    - Locations and descriptions of all non-storm water discharges identified;
    - Locations of the following activities where such activities are exposed to precipitation:
      - Fueling stations;
      - Vehicle and equipment maintenance and/or cleaning areas;
      - Loading/unloading areas;
      - Immediate access roads and rail lines used or traveled by carriers of raw materials, manufactured products, waste material, or by-products used or created by the facility;
      - Transfer areas for substances in bulk; and
      - Machinery.
- b. The site description
  - i. Shall be prepared within six months of the effective date of this permit or the initial discharge, whichever come later, and updated based on facility or materials handling changes; and
  - ii. Shall provide for implementation and compliance with the site description within six months of the completion of the site description.
- c. Non-Storm Water Discharges. You shall document that you have evaluated for the presence of non-storm water discharges, and that all unauthorized discharges have been eliminated.

## **B. Sector-Specific Requirements**

These sector-specific requirements are in addition to any requirements specified elsewhere in this permit.

### **1. Covered Storm Water Discharges.**

- a. *Covered Discharges from Inactive Facilities.* All storm water discharges.
- b. *Covered Discharges from Active and Temporarily Inactive Facilities.* All storm water

discharges, except for most storm water discharges subject to the existing effluent limitation guideline at 40 CFR Part 436. Mine dewatering discharges composed entirely of storm water or uncontaminated ground water seepage from: construction sand and gravel, industrial sand, and crushed stone mining facilities are covered by this permit.

- c. *Covered Discharges from Exploration and Construction of Non-Metallic Mineral Mining Facilities.* All storm water discharges.
- d. *Covered Discharges from Sites Undergoing Reclamation.* All storm water discharges.

## 2. Definitions.

The following definitions are not intended to supersede the definitions of active and inactive mining facilities established by 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(iii).

- a. *Mining operations* - Consists of the active and temporarily inactive phases, and the reclamation phase, but excludes the exploration and construction phases.
- b. *Exploration phase* - Entails exploration and land disturbance activities to determine the financial viability of a site. The exploration phase is not considered part of “mining operations.”
- c. *Construction phase* - Includes the building of site access roads and removal of overburden and waste rock to expose mineable minerals. The construction phase is not considered part of “mining operations”.
- d. *Active phase* - Activities including the extraction, removal or recovery of minerals. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun. This definition is derived from the definition of “active mining area” found at 40 CFR 440.132(a). The active phase is considered part of “mining operations.”
- e. *Reclamation phase* - Activities undertaken, in compliance with applicable mined land reclamation requirements, following the cessation of the “active phase”, intended to return the land to an appropriate post-mining land use. The reclamation phase is considered part of “mining operations”.

NOTE: The following definitions are not intended to supersede the definitions of active and inactive mining facilities established by 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(iii).

- f. *Active Mineral Mining Facility* - A place where work or other activity related to the extraction, removal, or recovery of minerals is being conducted. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun. This definition is derived from the definition of “active mining area” found at 40 CFR 440.132(a).
- g. *Inactive Mineral Mining Facility* - A site or portion of a site where mineral mining and/or milling occurred in the past but is not an active facility as defined above, and where the inactive portion is not covered by an active mining permit issued by the applicable State or Federal agency. An inactive mineral mining facility has an identifiable owner / operator. Sites where mining claims are being maintained prior to disturbances associated with the

extraction, beneficiation, or processing of mined materials, and sites where minimal activities are undertaken for the sole purpose of maintaining a mining claim are not considered either active or inactive mining facilities and do not require an NPDES industrial storm water permit.

- h. *Temporarily Inactive Mineral Mining Facility* - A site or portion of a site where mineral mining and/or milling occurred in the past but currently are not being actively undertaken, and the facility is covered by an active mining permit issued by the applicable State or Federal agency.
- i. *Final Stabilization* - a site or portion of a site is “finally stabilized” when it has implemented all applicable Federal and State reclamation requirements or all soil disturbing activities at the site are complete and a uniform perennial vegetative cover with a density of at least 70% cover for the area has been established or equivalent stabilization measures have been employed.
- j. *Temporary Stabilization* – the establishment of temporary stabilization, mulching, geotextiles, sod, preservation of existing vegetation and other techniques capable of quickly establishing cover over disturbed areas to provide erosion control between construction activities.
- k. *Uncontaminated* - Free from the presence of pollutants attributable to industrial activity.

3. Control Measures/Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Clearing, Grading, and Excavation Activities.

Clearing, grading, and excavation activities being conducted as part of the exploration and construction phase of mining activities are covered under this permit.

- a. *Management Practices for Clearing, Grading, and Excavation Activities.*
  - i. *Selecting and installing control measures.* For all areas affected by clearing, grading, and excavation activities, you shall select, design, install, and implement control measures.
  - ii. *Good Housekeeping.* Litter, debris, and chemicals shall be prevented from becoming a pollutant source in storm water discharges.
  - iii. *Retention and Detention of Storm Water Runoff.* For drainage locations serving more than one acre, sediment basins and/or temporary sediment traps should be used. At a minimum, silt fences, vegetative buffer strips, or equivalent sediment controls are required for all down slope boundaries (and for those side slope boundaries deemed appropriate as dictated by individual site conditions) of the development area unless a sediment basin providing storage for a calculated volume of runoff from a 2-year, 24-hour storm or 3,600 cubic feet of storage per acre drained is provided.
- b. *Inspection of Clearing, Grading, and Excavation Activities.*
  - i. *Inspection Frequency.* Inspections shall be conducted either at least once every 7 calendar days or at least once every 14 calendar days and within 24 hours of the end of a storm event of 0.5 inches or greater. Inspection frequency may be reduced to at least once every month if the entire site is temporarily stabilized, if runoff is unlikely due to winter

conditions (e.g., site is covered with snow, ice, or the ground is frozen), or construction is occurring during seasonal arid periods in arid areas and semi-arid areas.

- ii. *Location of Inspections.* Inspections shall include all areas of the site disturbed by clearing, grading, and/or excavation activities and areas used for storage of materials that are exposed to precipitation. Sedimentation and erosion control measures implemented shall be observed to ensure proper operation. Discharge locations shall be inspected to ascertain whether erosion control measures are effective in preventing significant impacts to surface waters of the State, where accessible. Where discharge locations are inaccessible, nearby downstream locations shall be inspected to the extent that such inspections are practicable. Locations where vehicles enter or exit the site shall be inspected for evidence of significant off-site sediment tracking.
  - iii. *Inspection Reports.* For each inspection required above, you shall complete an inspection report.
- c. *Requirements for Cessation of Clearing, Grading, and Excavation Activities.*
- i. *Inspections and Maintenance.* Inspections and maintenance of control measures, including any BMPs, associated with clearing, grading, and/or excavation activities being conducted as part of the exploration and construction phase of a mining operation shall continue until final stabilization has been achieved on all portions of the disturbed area or until the commencement of the active mining phase for those areas that have been temporarily stabilized as a precursor to mining.
  - ii. *Temporary Stabilization of Disturbed Areas.* Stabilization measures should be initiated immediately in portions of the site where clearing, grading and/or excavation activities have temporarily ceased, but in no case more than 14 days after the clearing, grading and/or excavation activities in that portion of the site have temporarily ceased. In arid, semiarid, and drought-stricken areas, or in areas subject to snow or freezing conditions, where initiating perennial vegetative stabilization measures is not possible within 14 days after mining, exploration, and/or construction activity has temporarily ceased, temporary vegetative stabilization measures shall be initiated as soon as practicable. Until temporary vegetative stabilization is achieved, interim measures such as erosion control blankets with an appropriate seed base and tackifiers shall be employed. In areas of the site, where exploration and/or construction has permanently ceased prior to active mining, temporary stabilization measures shall be implemented to minimize mobilization of sediment or other pollutants until such time as the active mining phase commences.
  - iii. *Final Stabilization of Disturbed Areas.* Stabilization measures should be initiated immediately in portions of the site where mining, exploration, and/or construction activities have permanently ceased, but in no case more than 14 days after the exploration and/or construction activity in that portion of the site has permanently ceased. In arid, semiarid, and drought-stricken areas, or in areas subject to snow or freezing conditions, where initiating perennial vegetative stabilization measures is not possible within 14 days after mining, exploration, and/or construction activity has permanently ceased, final vegetative stabilization measures shall be initiated as soon as possible. Until final stabilization is achieved temporary stabilization measures, such as erosion control blankets with an appropriate seed base and tackifiers shall be used.

4. Additional Control Measures/Best Management Practices (BMPs).

- a. *Employee Training.* Conduct employee training at least annually at active and temporarily inactive sites.
- b. *Storm Water Controls.* If controls in addition to those in 3. above are necessary to minimize pollutant discharges, these may include, but are not limited to:
  - i. *Storm Water Diversions:* Consider diverting storm water away from potential pollutant sources. Following are some control measure options: interceptor or diversion controls (e.g., dikes, swales, curbs, or berms); pipe slope drains; subsurface drains; conveyance systems (e.g., channels or gutters, open-top box culverts, and waterbars; rolling dips and road sloping; roadway surface water deflector and culverts); or their equivalents.
  - ii. *Capping:* When capping is necessary to minimize pollutant discharges in storm water, identify the source being capped and the material used to construct the cap.
  - iii. *Discharge Management:* Management of storm water pollutants (e.g., chemical or physical systems, oil and water separators, artificial wetlands) is encouraged and may be necessary to protect water quality. Describe the control measures used and the location of each management system. After control measures have been implemented to mitigate pollutants, runoff may then be discharged as a storm water source regulated under this permit provided the discharge is not combined with discharges subject to effluent limitation guidelines for the Mineral Mining and Processing Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 436).
  - iv. *Reclamation:* The permittee shall reclaim all dams, dikes, diversions, drainage channels, and impoundments unless specified as permanent structures in the Mining and Reclamation Plan approved by the Division of Mineral Resources Management which is consistent with the Ohio Administrative Code 1501:14-3-11, administered by Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

5. Additional Documentation Requirements.

These requirements are applicable for sites undergoing exploration and construction, active mineral mining facilities, temporarily inactive mineral mining facilities, and sites undergoing reclamation. These requirements are not applicable to inactive mineral mining facilities.

- a) *Nature of Industrial Activities.* The mining and associated activities that can potentially affect the storm water discharges covered by this permit, including a general description of the location of the site relative to major transportation routes and communities.
- b) *Site Map.* Develop a map showing the locations of the following (as appropriate): mining or milling site boundaries; access and haul roads; outline of the drainage areas of each storm water outfall within the facility with indications of the types of discharges from the drainage areas; location(s) of all permitted discharges covered under an individual NPDES permit, outdoor equipment storage, fueling, and maintenance areas; materials handling areas; outdoor manufacturing, outdoor storage, and material disposal areas; outdoor chemicals and explosives storage areas; overburden, materials, soils, or waste storage areas; location of mine drainage dewatering or other process water; heap leach pads; off-site points of discharge for mine

dewatering and process water; surface waters; boundary of tributary areas that are subject to effluent limitations guidelines; and location(s) of reclaimed areas.

- c) *Potential Pollutant Sources.* For each area of the mine or mill site where storm water discharges associated with industrial activities occur, document the types of pollutants (e.g., heavy metals, sediment) likely to be present in significant amounts. For example, phosphate mining facilities will likely need to document pollutants such as selenium, which can be present in significant amounts in their discharges. Consider these factors: the mineralogy of the waste rock (e.g., acid forming); toxicity and quantity of chemicals used, produced, or discharged; the likelihood of contact with storm water; vegetation of site (if any); and history of significant leaks or spills of toxic or hazardous pollutants. Also include a summary of any existing waste rock or overburden characterization data and test results for potential generation of acid rock drainage, if suspected.
- d) *Storm Water Controls.* Document any control measures to the extent used. If control measures are implemented or planned but are not listed here (e.g., substituting a less toxic chemical for a more toxic one), include descriptions.
- e) *Employee Training.* All employee training(s) conducted in accordance with Part IV.B.4.a shall be documented.

PART V. MONITORING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS – RESERVED



## PART VI. DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS

Action Area - all areas to be affected directly or indirectly by the stormwater discharges, allowable non-stormwater discharges, and stormwater discharge-related activities, and not merely the immediate area involved in these discharges and activities.

Best Management Practices (BMPs) - schedules of activities, practices (and prohibitions of practices), structures, vegetation, maintenance procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants to surface waters of the State. BMPs also include treatment requirements, operating procedures, and practices to control plant site runoff, spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal, or drainage from raw material storage. See 40 CFR 122.2.

Co-located Industrial Activities - Any industrial activities, excluding your primary industrial activity(ies), located on-site that are defined by the stormwater regulations at 122.26(b)(14)(i)-(ix) and (xi). An activity at a facility is not considered co-located if the activity, when considered separately, does not meet the description of a category of industrial activity covered by the stormwater regulations or identified by the SIC code list in the Industrial Multi-Sector General Permit OHR000007, Appendix D.

Control Measure - refers to any BMP or other method (including effluent limitations) used to prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants to surface waters of the State.

Director - the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA).

Discharge - when used without qualification, means the "discharge of a pollutant." See 40 CFR 122.2.

Discharge of a pollutant - any addition of any "pollutant" or combination of pollutants to "surface waters of the State" from any "point source", or any addition of any pollutant or combination of pollutants to the waters of the "contiguous zone" or the ocean from any point source other than a vessel or other floating craft which is being used as a means of transportation. This includes additions of pollutants into surface waters of the State from: surface runoff which is collected or channeled by man; discharges through pipes, sewers, or other conveyances, leading into privately owned treatment works. See 40 CFR 122.2.

Discharge-related activities - activities that cause, contribute to, or result in stormwater and allowable non-stormwater point source discharges, and measures such as the siting, construction and operation of BMPs to control, reduce, or prevent pollution in the discharges.

Drought-stricken area - a period of below average water content in streams, reservoirs, ground-water aquifers, lakes and soils.

U.S. EPA Approved or Established Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) - "U.S. EPA Approved TMDLs" are those that are developed by a State and approved by U.S. EPA. "U.S. EPA Established TMDLs" are those that are developed by U.S. EPA.

Existing Discharger - an operator applying for coverage under this permit for discharges authorized previously under an NPDES general or individual permit.

Facility or Activity - any NPDES "point source" (including land or appurtenances thereto) that is subject to regulation under the NPDES program. See 40 CFR 122.2.

Federal Facility - any buildings, installations, structures, land, public works, equipment, aircraft, vessels, and other vehicles and property, owned by, or constructed or manufactured for the purpose of leasing to,

the federal government.

Illicit Discharge - is defined at 40 CFR 122.26(b)(2) and refers to any discharge to a municipal separate storm sewer that is not entirely composed of stormwater, except discharges authorized under an NPDES permit (other than the NPDES permit for discharges from the MS4) and discharges resulting from fire fighting activities.

Impaired Water (or "Water Quality Impaired Water" or "Water Quality Limited Segment") - A water is impaired for purposes of this permit if it has been identified by a State or U.S. EPA pursuant to Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act as not meeting applicable State water quality standards (these waters are called "water quality limited segments" under 40 CFR 30.2(j)). Impaired waters include both waters with approved or established TMDLs, and those for which a TMDL has not yet been approved or established.

Industrial Activity - the 10 categories of industrial activities included in the definition of "stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity" as defined in 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(i)-(ix) and (xi).

Industrial Stormwater - stormwater runoff from industrial activity.

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer - a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, man-made channels, or storm drains):

(i) Owned or operated by a State, city, town, borough, county, parish, district, association, or other public body (created by or pursuant to State law) having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial wastes, stormwater, or other wastes, including special districts under State law such as a sewer district, flood control district or drainage district, or similar entity, or a designated and approved management agency under section 208 of the CWA that discharges to surface waters of the State;

(ii) Designed or used for collecting or conveying stormwater;

(iii) Which is not a combined sewer; and

(iv) Which is not part of a Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) as defined at 40 CFR 122.2; See 40 CFR 122.26(b)(4) and (b)(7).

New Discharger - a facility from which there is a discharge, that did not commence the discharge at a particular site prior to August 13, 1979, which is not a new source, and which has never received a finally effective NPDES permit for discharges at that site. See 40 CFR 122.2.

New Source - any building, structure, facility, or installation from which there is or may be a "discharge of pollutants", the construction of which commenced:

(i) after promulgation of standards of performance under section 306 of the CWA which are applicable to such source, or

(ii) after proposal of standards of performance in accordance with section 306 of the CWA which are applicable to such source, but only if the standards are promulgated in accordance with section 306 within 120 days of their proposal. See 40 CFR 122.2.

New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) - technology-based standards for facilities that qualify as new sources under 40 CFR 122.2 and 40 CFR 122.29.

No exposure - all industrial materials or activities are protected by a storm-resistant shelter to prevent exposure to rain, snow, snowmelt, and/or runoff. See 40 CFR 122.26(g).

Ohio EPA - the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

Operator - any entity with a stormwater discharge associated with industrial activity that meets either of the following two criteria:

(i) The entity has operational control over industrial activities, including the ability to modify those activities; or

(ii) The entity has day-to-day operational control of activities at a facility necessary to ensure compliance with the permit (e.g., the entity is authorized to direct workers at a facility to carry out activities required by the permit).

Person - an individual, association, partnership, corporation, municipality, State or Federal agency, or an agent or employee thereof. See 40 CFR 122.2.

Point source - any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance, including but not limited to any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, conduit, well, discrete fissure, container, rolling stock, concentrated animal feeding operation, landfill leachate collection system, vessel, or other floating craft from which pollutants are or may be discharged. This term does not include return flows from irrigated agriculture or agricultural stormwater runoff. See 40 CFR 122.2.

Pollutant - dredged spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, filter backwash, sewage, garbage, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, heat, wrecked or discarded equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt, and industrial, municipal and agricultural waste discharged into water. See 40 CFR 122.2.

Pollutant of concern - A pollutant which causes or contributes to a violation of a water quality standard, including a pollutant which is identified as causing an impairment in a state's 303(d) list.

Primary industrial activity - includes any activities performed on-site which are (1) identified by the facility's primary SIC code; or (2) included in the narrative descriptions of 122.26(b)(14)(i), (iv), (v), or (vii), and (ix). [For co-located activities covered by multiple SIC codes, it is recommended that the primary industrial determination be based on the value of receipts or revenues or, if such information is not available for a particular facility, the number of employees or production rate for each process may be compared. The operation that generates the most revenue or employs the most personnel is the operation in which the facility is primarily engaged. In situations where the vast majority of on-site activity falls within one SIC code, that activity may be the primary industrial activity.] Narrative descriptions in 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14) identified above include: (i) activities subject to stormwater effluent limitations guidelines, new source performance standards, or toxic pollutant effluent standards; (iv) hazardous waste treatment storage, or disposal facilities including those that are operating under interim status or a permit under subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA); (v) landfills, land application sites and open dumps that receive or have received industrial wastes; (vii) steam electric power generating facilities; and (ix) sewage treatment works with a design flow of 1.0 MGD or more.

Qualified Personnel - Qualified personnel are those who possess the knowledge and skills to assess conditions and activities that could impact stormwater quality at your facility, and who can also evaluate the effectiveness of control measures.

Reportable Quantity Release - a release of a hazardous substance at or above the established legal threshold that requires emergency notification. Refer to 40 CFR Parts 110, 117, and 302 for complete definitions and reportable quantities for which notification is required.

Runoff coefficient - the fraction of total rainfall that will appear at the conveyance as runoff. See 40 CFR 122.26(b)(11).

Run-On - sources of stormwater that drain from land located upslope or upstream from the regulated facility in question.

Semi-Arid Climate - areas where annual rainfall averages from 10 to 20 inches.

Significant materials - includes, but is not limited to: raw materials; fuels; materials such as solvents, detergents, and plastic pellets; finished materials such as metallic products; raw materials used in food processing or production; hazardous substances designated under section 101(14) of CERCLA; any chemical the facility is required to report pursuant to section 313 of Title III of SARA; fertilizers; pesticides; and waste products such as ashes, slag and sludge that have the potential to be released with stormwater discharges. See 40 CFR 122.26(b)(12).

Special Aquatic Sites - sites identified in 40 CFR 230 Subpart E. These are geographic areas, large or small, possessing special ecological characteristics of productivity, habitat, wildlife protection, or other important and easily disrupted ecological values. These areas are generally recognized as significantly influencing or positively contributing to the general overall environmental health or vitality of the entire ecosystem of a region.

Stormwater - stormwater runoff, snow melt runoff, and surface runoff and drainage. See 40 CFR 122.26(b)(13).

Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activity - a discharge of pollutants in stormwater runoff from areas where soil disturbing activities (e.g., clearing, grading, or excavating), construction materials, or equipment storage or maintenance (e.g., fill piles, borrow areas, concrete truck washout, fueling), or other industrial stormwater directly related to the construction process (e.g., concrete or asphalt batch plants) are located. See 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)(x) and 40 CFR 122.26(b)(15).

Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity - the discharge from any conveyance that is used for collecting and conveying stormwater and that is directly related to manufacturing, processing or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant. The term does not include discharges from facilities or activities excluded from the NPDES program under Part 122. For the categories of industries identified in this section, the term includes, but is not limited to, stormwater discharges from industrial plant yards; immediate access roads and rail lines used or traveled by carriers of raw materials, manufactured products, waste material, or by-products used or created by the facility; material handling sites; refuse sites; sites used for the application or disposal of process waste waters (as defined at part 401 of this chapter); sites used for the storage and maintenance of material handling equipment; sites used for residual treatment, storage, or disposal; shipping and receiving areas; manufacturing buildings; storage areas (including tank farms) for raw materials, and intermediate and final products; and areas where industrial activity has taken place in the past and significant materials remain and are exposed to stormwater. For the purposes of this paragraph, material handling activities include storage, loading and unloading, transportation, or conveyance of any raw material, intermediate product, final product, by-product or waste product. The term excludes areas located on plant lands separate from the plant's industrial activities, such as office buildings and accompanying parking lots as long as the drainage from the excluded areas is not mixed with stormwater drained from the above described areas. Industrial

facilities include those that are federally, State, or municipally owned or operated that meet the description of the facilities listed in 40 CFR 122.26(b)(14).

Surface Waters of the State - Means all streams, lakes, ponds, marshes, watercourses, waterways, springs, irrigation systems, drainage systems, and all other bodies or accumulations of surface water, natural or artificial, which are situated wholly or partly within, or border upon, this state, or are within its jurisdiction, except those private waters which do not combine or effect a junction with natural surface waters.

Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) - A TMDL is a calculation of the maximum amount of a pollutant that a waterbody can receive and still meet water quality standards, and an allocation of that amount to the pollutant's sources. A TMDL includes wasteload allocations (WLAs) for point source discharges; load allocations (LAs) for nonpoint sources and/or natural background, and shall include a margin of safety (MOS) and account for seasonal variations. (See section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and 40 CFR 130.2 and 130.7).

Water Quality Impaired - See "Impaired Water".

Water Quality Standards - A water quality standard defines the water quality goals of a water body, or portion thereof, by designating the use or uses to be made of the water and by setting criteria necessary to protect the uses. States and U.S. EPA adopt water quality standards to protect public health or welfare, enhance the quality of water and serve the purposes of the Clean Water Act (See CWA sections 101(a)2 and 303(c)). Water quality standards also include an antidegradation policy. See P.U.D. o. 1 of Jefferson County et al v. Wash Dept of Ecology et al, 511 US 701, 705 (1994).

"You" and "Your" - as used in this permit are intended to refer to the permittee, the operator, or the discharger as the context indicates and that party's facility or responsibilities. The use of "you" and "your" refers to a particular facility and not to all facilities operated by a particular entity. For example, "you shall submit" means the permittee shall submit something for that particular facility. Likewise, "all your discharges" would refer only to discharges at that one facility.

## ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

BAT - Best Available Technology Economically Achievable  
BOD5 - Biochemical Oxygen Demand (5-day test)  
BMP - Best Management Practice  
BPJ - Best Professional Judgment  
BPT - Best Practicable Control Technology Currently Available  
CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act  
CGP - Construction General Permit  
COD - Chemical Oxygen Demand  
CWA - Clean Water Act (or the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, 33 U.S.C. ?1251 et seq)  
CWT - Centralized Waste Treatment  
DMR - Discharge Monitoring Report  
U.S. EPA - U. S. Environmental Protection Agency  
FWS - U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
LA - Load Allocations  
MDMR - MSGP Discharge Monitoring Report  
MGD - Million Gallons per Day  
MOS - Margin of Safety  
MS4 - Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System  
MSDS - Material Safety Data Sheet  
MSGP - Multi-Sector General Permit  
NAICS - North American Industry Classification System  
NMFS - U. S. National Marine Fisheries Service  
NOI - Notice of Intent  
NOT - Notice of Termination  
NPDES - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System  
NRC - National Response Center  
NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Unit  
OMB - U. S. Office of Management and Budget  
ORW - Outstanding Resource Water  
OSM - U. S. Office of Surface Mining  
POTW - Publicly Owned Treatment Works  
RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act  
RQ - Reportable Quantity  
SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act  
SIC - Standard Industrial Classification  
SMCRA - Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act  
SPCC - Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures  
SWPPP - Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan  
TMDL - Total Maximum Daily Load  
TSDF - Treatment, Storage, or Disposal Facility  
TSS - Total Suspended Solids  
USGS - United States Geological Survey  
WLA - Wasteload Allocation  
WQS - Water Quality Standard