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Re: Auglaize County
Cridersville Elem School
Construction
Storm Water

September 3, 2009

Mr. Keith Horner
Wapakoneta City School District
1102 Gardenia Drive
Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

Ferguson Construction
400 Canal Street
P.O. Box 726
Sidney, Ohio 45365

Milligan Construction Company
1120 Milligan Court #102
Sidney, Ohio 45365

Gilbane Building Company
Wapakoneta Schools Project
3 Redskin Trail
Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

Dear Mr. Horner:

On June 5, 2009, I conducted an inspection of the Cridersville Elementary School construction site located at 501 Reichelderfer Rd, Cridersville. The purpose of my visit was to evaluate compliance of the site with your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for storm water associated with construction activity, Facility ID no. 2GC02186*AG (construction general permit or CGP). The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. Mr. Walt Newman of Gilbane Building company was present and answered questions about the storm water pollution prevention plan (SWP3) and the site.

As a result of the inspection, I have the following comments:

1. At the time of the inspection, construction was ongoing. The building had been erected.

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2. The construction entrances were inadequate and dirt was being tracked onto Reichelderfer Rd. *This is a violation of the CGP Part III.G.2.b.*
3. Silt fence used for sediment and erosion controls in many places was not entrenched properly, over burdened with soil, pushed over or the ends of two sections not properly joined. *This is a violation of the CGP Part III.G.2.D.vi.*
4. The storm water pollution prevention plan (SWP3) was available for review however hay bales were included as a specification for erosion control which is not an accepted method to control erosion.
5. Numerous areas that had been disturbed by construction appeared to be inactive and had extreme weed growth or severe erosion patterns evidenced by rills and gullies. Portions of the construction site which will be inactive for more than 21 days must have temporary stabilization initiated within the first seven. Temporary stabilization is required prior to the onset of winter weather for ground that will be idle over winter. Permanent stabilization is required within 7 days on any portion of the site that has reached final grade or will be idle for longer than 1 year. *This is a violation of the CGP Part III.G.2.b.i.*
6. Litter from the construction site had accumulated in the northeast corner of the site. *This is a violation of the CGP Part III.G.1.n.ix.*
7. There was an apparent discharge pipe located in the northeast corner of the site which would direct drainage from disturbed areas off site with no sediment controls. *This is a violation of the CGP Part III.G.2.d.*
8. Areas used as sediment settling ponds showed evidence of sediment being discharged from these ponds. *This is a violation of the CGP Part iii.G.2.d.*
9. Part III.G.2.e of the CGP requires that a post-construction storm water management practice be installed during construction. This site is within the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) community of the Village of Cridersville. Please contact the Village of Cridersville to determine if your post-construction controls will meet their requirements.

Within 10 days of the date on this letter, please submit to this office **written notification** of the actions taken or proposed to prevent any future violations. Your response should include the dates, either actual or proposed, for the completion of the actions.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (419) 373-3016 or by e-mail at patricia.tebbe@epa.state.oh.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Patricia A. Tebbe".

Patricia A. Tebbe, P.E.
Division of Surface Water

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pc: DSW-NWDO File
Village of Cridersville