



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

Ted Strickland, Governor  
Lee Fisher, Lt. Governor  
Chris Korfeski, Director

Re: Auglaize County  
Shipman Road Reconstruction  
Construction  
Storm Water

July 29, 2010

Mr. Thomas J. Hitchcock  
City of St. Marys  
101 East Spring Street  
St. Marys, Ohio 45885

Dear Mr. Hitchcock:

On June 30, 2010, Judson Delancey and I inspected Shipman Road Reconstruction on Shipman Road in Noble Township. The purpose of our visit was to evaluate compliance of the site with your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for storm water discharge associated with construction activity, Facility ID No. 2 GC02399\*AG. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statues, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. As a result of this inspection your site may be eligible to terminate your NPDES permit.

It appears that construction activities on Shipman Road Reconstruction are near completion. The roadway has been repaved and the disturbed land appears to have been seeded. Accordingly, a Notice of Termination (NOT) must be filed to relieve you of the obligation to comply with this general permit. An NOT may be filed if one or more of the following criteria have been met:

1. Final stabilization has been achieved on all portions of the site for which the permittee is responsible. Final stabilization means:

All soil disturbing activities at the site are complete and a uniform perennial vegetative cover of at least 70% density has been established over the entire site. All temporary erosion and sediment control measures have been removed, properly disposed of, and all trapped sediment has been permanently stabilized.

2. Another operator(s) has assumed control over all areas of the site that have not been full stabilized.

Your site does not meet all the above criteria at this time. A vegetative density of 70% has not been achieved across the entire project.

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The southern corner of Shipman Road and State Route 66 appeared to have been seeded at the same time as the rest of the disturbed land. At the time of the inspection however, there was no vegetative cover. If seasonal conditions prohibit the establishment of a vegetative cover, I recommend mulching or matting the areas until a more permanent method can be implemented.

When a uniform growth density of 70% has been achieved over the entire site, your site will be eligible to file a Notice of Termination (NOT) form. The form can be found at: <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/stormform.aspx>. NOTs should be filed within 45 days of when the above criteria are met.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (419) 373-3025.

Sincerely,



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Storm Water Program

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