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Re: Crawford County
Bucyrus City School Middle/
High School Renovation
Construction
Storm Water

July 8, 2009

Mr. Todd Nichols
Bucyrus City Schools Board of Education
117 E. Mansfield Street
Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

Dear Mr. Nichols:

On June 11, 2009, I inspected the Bucyrus City School Middle/High School Renovation at 900 W. Perry St., Bucyrus. The purpose of my visit was to evaluate compliance of the site with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for storm water discharges associated with construction activity, Facility ID No. 2GC02012. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. Ohio EPA has no record of other permittees for this site. Mr. Fred Chenevey, Project Superintendent, was present to provide information on the project.

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

1. At the time of inspection, the site was active. The exterior of the addition was finished and some of the landscaping was complete. Seeding and straw mulch had been applied to the north side of the property. According to Mr. Chenevey the rest of the property was also at final grade and the top soil had been spread.
2. Inspection logs were not available. *This is a violation of Part III. G.2.i. of the permit.* Inspections must be conducted weekly and within 24 hours of a 0.5" rainfall. Inspections must include: disturbed areas, material storage areas, all sediment and erosion control measures, discharge locations, and all vehicle access points. Records must include: inspector's name and qualifications, inspection date, observations, a certification that the facility is in compliance with the SWP3 and the permit, and identify any incidents of non-compliance. The record and certification must be signed in accordance with Part V.G. of the permit.

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3. The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3) was not onsite and available. *This is a violation of Part III.C.2. of the permit.*
4. No sediment controls were in use. *Permit Requires:* Structural practices shall be used on all sites remaining disturbed for more than 14 days. They shall be implemented prior to grading and within seven days from the start of grubbing. They must remain functional until the upslope area is restabilized. *This is a violation of Part III.G.2.d. of the permit.*

Please note that had sediment controls been installed before final grade, they should have remained in place until the upslope area was stabilized.

5. There was no inlet protection on the catch basins. *Permits Requires:* Practices shall minimize sediment laden water entering active storm drain systems unless they drain to a sediment settling pond. *This is a violation of Part III.G.2.d.iv. of your permit.* I recommend that proper inlet protection be installed.

Please keep in mind as you continue through the project, that any portion of the site that will remain idle for 21 days or more and is more than 50 feet away from waters of the state must have temporary stabilization down within the first seven (7) days. If a portion of the site is going to remain idle for 21 days or more and is within 50 feet from a waters of the state it must have temporary stabilization down within the first two (2) days. Permanent stabilization must be applied within seven (7) days to any portion of the site that reaches final grade. Please see Part III.G.2.b.i of the permit.

Within 10 days of the date on this letter, please submit to this office **written notification** as to 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. If there are any questions, please contact me at (419) 373-3006.

Sincerely,



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Division of Surface Water
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Tim Clapper, Bucyrus City Engineer