



Environmental
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July 18, 2011

RE: STARK COUNTY
CITY OF LOUISVILLE
NEW LOUISVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
CONSTRUCTION STORM WATER

Mr. David Redd
Louisville City School District
504 E Main Street
Louisville, OH 44641

Dear Mr. Redd:

On July 12, 2011, I, along with Julie Berbari of the Stark Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD), performed an inspection at the above-referenced site to determine compliance with the Ohio EPA General Storm Water National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Construction Activities #3GC04825*AG. Our records indicate that the Louisville City School District was granted coverage under the NPDES permit on March 4, 2010.

During my inspection, I documented the following deficiencies:

1. Concrete washout is visible on the ground (Figure 1), and I was unable to locate a designated concrete washout on the site. According to the NPDES permit, water that comes in contact with concrete is considered waste water and cannot leave the site. As a result, you must designate contained areas for concrete washout, and these locations must be outlined in your Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3). Please install an appropriate washout before conducting any further work with concrete.
2. Construction debris and uncovered paint containers are present in the construction area (Figure 2). Please dispose of construction debris in an appropriately-marked dumpster to prevent trash from leaving the site. Please also cover all containers that contain potentially harmful materials, such as paint, to prevent these pollutants from being spilled onto the ground. In addition, please relocate the bundles of pipe that are currently being stored in the sediment basin along the construction entrance (Figure 3). This will ensure that the basin can hold the proper water volume, as shown in the design.
3. Erosion gullies have formed leading to the sediment basins (Figure 4). Please repair and stabilize these gullies and install a well-defined and properly-vegetated diversion to carry this concentrated flow of runoff to the sediment basins.

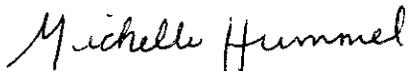
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Please provide me with a letter of response indicating the actions you will take to address the deficiencies noted above. Your response, along with any amendments to the SWP3, must be submitted to the Ohio EPA **no later than August 1, 2011**. If corrective actions are not completed by this date, please include a schedule that outlines when action will be taken. It is Ohio EPA's expectation that all of these deficiencies will be addressed within 10 days of receipt of this letter.

Finally, please fax a copy of your most recent storm water inspection report to my attention at (330) 487-0769 or via e-mail at michelle.hummel@epa.state.oh.us. The NPDES permit requires you to inspect all storm water best management practices once every 7 days and within 24 hours of a 0.5-inch or greater rainfall. The results of these inspections must be documented as indicated in Part III.G.2.i of the NPDES permit.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at your earliest convenience at (330) 963-1128.

Sincerely,



Michelle Hummel
Assistant to the District Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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Patricia Fallot, Mayor, City of Louisville
Julie Berbari, Stark SWCD

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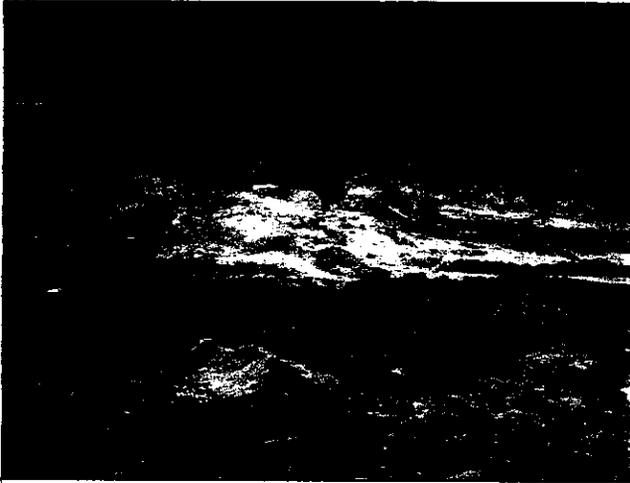


Figure 1 – Concrete washout is not contained.



Figure 2 – Construction debris has not been placed in a marked dumpster.



Figure 3 – Construction materials should be removed from the sediment basin.



Figure 4 – Erosion gullies have formed on the banks of the sediment basins.