



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor
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July 11, 2011

RE: SUMMIT COUNTY
VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD
EVERETT RD SANITARY SEWER IMP
PHASE II
CONSTRUCTION STORM WATER

Melanie Baker
Village of Richfield
4410 W Streetsboro Road
Richfield, OH 44286

Dear Ms. Baker:

On July 5, 2011, I 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 #3GC04928*AG. Our records indicate that the Village of Richfield was granted coverage under the NPDES permit on May 21, 2010.

During my inspection, I documented the following deficiencies:

1. Construction appears to be complete on the project, but many locations have not been permanently stabilized (Figure 1). Please bring the entire site to final grade and then seed and mulch all disturbed areas.
2. When the site reaches final stabilization, you must terminate NPDES permit coverage within 45 days. Final stabilization means that all soil disturbing activities at the site are complete and a uniform perennial vegetative cover (i.e., evenly distributed, without large bare areas) has reached a growth density of 70% or greater on all unpaved areas and areas not covered by permanent structures. Equivalent stabilization measures, such as the use of landscape mulches, rip-rap, or gabions, may be employed, where appropriate, in lieu of vegetation. In addition, all temporary erosion and sediment control practices must be removed and disposed, and all sediment trapped by these practices must be permanently stabilized. When you determine that your site has reached final stabilization, please submit a Notice of Termination (NOT) to Ohio EPA to terminate NPDES permit coverage. The form and instructions are available on our website at www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/stormform.aspx.

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 July 25, 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.

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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,



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Assistant to the District Engineer
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Figure 1 – Many areas lack stabilization.