



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

Ted Strickland, Governor  
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Re: Erie County  
Storage Condominiums Inc.  
Huron Township Site  
Construction  
Storm Water

December 30, 2010

Mr. Adam Weaver  
Contractors Design Engineering  
1623 Old State Road  
Norwalk, Ohio 44857

Dear Mr. Weaver:

On December 2, 2010, I inspected the Storage Condominiums Inc. Huron Township Site at 3614 Cleveland Road, Huron Township. The purpose of the 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 2GC02709. 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.

At the time of inspection, storm sewers had been installed. A stone parking/driving surface was in place around the building. The building was mostly framed and partially roofed. Due to the absence of personnel, the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWP3) and inspection logs were not available for review.

Inlet protection was in place and appeared in good condition. The majority of the project appeared to drain to an extended detention pond located in the southeast corner of the site. Without reviewing the SWP3 in depth, I cannot verify whether the extended detention pond is of sufficient depth, volume, and configuration to fulfill the requirements of a sediment settling basin. *Permit Requires:* To qualify as a sediment settling pond, structures must meet the following specifications: sized at 67 c.y. per total contributing drainage acre (below the principal spillway); depth less than or equal to 5 feet (optimal depths are between 3 and 5 feet); and at least a 2:1 length to width ratio as the distance between inlets and the outlet. In accordance with ODNR's Rainwater and Land Development Manual, the required volume should dewater in 48 to 72 hours. *Please see Part III.G.2.d.ii. of the permit.* Within 10 days of the date on this letter, please submit verification from your storm water professional that the pond's current configuration meets these criteria.

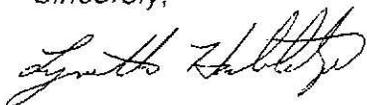
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*Permit Requires:* All erosion and sediment control practices used to meet the conditions of this permit should meet the standards and specifications of the current edition of Ohio's *Rainwater and Land Development Manual* (ODNR) or other standards acceptable to Ohio EPA. *This is a violation of Part III.G.2. of the permit.* The silt fence along the west side must be correctly reinstalled to address runoff from the bare ground on the west side. Please be sure to curve the line of silt fence upslope at each end.

The pond had been seeded. The grass on its banks had not yet reached a 70% density of vegetative cover. Some of the remainder of the site had been seeded but growth was sparse. Please keep in mind that the permit requires that at least temporary stabilization be applied to the soil within seven (7) days for any portion of the site that will sit idle for 21 days or more (*see Part III.G.2.b.i. of the permit*). I recommend applying temporary stabilization to the stockpile and bare ground on the west side of the site. Please provide the schedule of future grading and stabilization activities for the area west of the building.

Within 10 days of the date on this letter, please submit to this office a **written response** to the above comments. Your reply should describe the actions taken or proposed to prevent any future violations, including dates for the completion of the actions. If there are any questions, please contact me at (419) 373-3009.

Sincerely,



Lynette Hablitzel, P.E.  
Division of Surface Water  
Storm Water Program

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