

**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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August 1, 2011

RE: IRON PONY SALOON
OHIO EPA PERMIT 3PR00158
WASHINGTON TWP., HOLMES COUNTY
COMPLIANCE EVALUATION INSPECTION

Mr. Chris Tyler, Owner
Iron Pony Saloon
14641 State Route 3
Lakeville, OH 44638

Dear Mr. Tyler:

On July 26, 2010, a site inspection was conducted at the above referenced facility at 14641 State Route 3, Washington Township, Holmes County. The inspection was conducted by Dean Stoll, John Schmidt and Pam Korenewych of this office, and Kraig Bucklew of the Holmes County Health Department. The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate the facility's compliance status with respect to the terms and conditions of the facility's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The last compliance inspection was conducted on July 14, 2010.

Observations

The following observations were made during the inspection.

1. The fence that surrounds the wastewater treatment facility is damaged, allowing public access to the wastewater treatment plant (see attached picture). This was the same damaged area noted in the 2010 inspection. During the 2010 inspection, you indicated that the fence became damaged while someone was parking a trailer adjacent to the wastewater treatment plant. This fence must be repaired as soon as possible.
2. The trash trap was noted as full and must be pumped out.
3. The content of the aeration tank had an earthy odor, dark brown color with good mixing. The blowers were running and the plant was receiving sufficient aeration. While some grates have been replaced since the 2010 inspection, additional grates above the aeration tank are in poor condition and should be replaced immediately.
4. The surface of the clarifier had an accumulation of grease and scum. As part of operations and maintenance, excess scum and floating debris should be skimmed off or directed to the skimmer. Effluent channels and weirs require a

good cleaning, and the sides of the clarifier need to be scraped down. The sludge return lines were operating properly at the time of the inspection. The skimmer was operating at the time of the inspection.

5. The dosing pumps and alarms were cycled and found in operating condition.
6. Surface sand filters were reasonably clean and operable. The discharge to the sand filters was clear. Some seams of the filter walls need re-sealed.
7. Chlorination and dechlorination systems were stocked with appropriate chemicals. The tank contents were clear.
8. The final discharge pipe at the unnamed tributary to Mohican River Lake Fork north of the plant was not observed due to a lack of flow.
9. Outfall signage needs to be posted at the final outfall as prescribed by Part II of your permit.

NPDES Permit Compliance Review

A review of the electronic discharge If-monitoring reports (eDMRs) received by Ohio EPA for the period July 1, 2010 through July 1, 2011 indicates apparent noncompliance of the terms and conditions of your NPDES permit as identified below:

Limit Violations

The following limit violations were noted for the reporting period reviewed:

Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12	13	12/1/2010
001	31648	E. coli	30D Conc	161	264	5/1/2011

These limit violations should be explained, along with measures to ensure that they are not repeated.

Reporting Violations

No reporting code violations were noted for the reporting period reviewed.

Ohio EPA notes numerous reporting frequency violations related to color, odor, turbidity during this review period which are not summarized individually. These violations appear to be a failure to take daily readings of color, odor, and turbidity on days that the WWTP is not visited by your contract operator. During the July 14, 2010 inspection, we

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spoke about the need to collect this data. Part III, Item 12 of your permit requires you to notify Ohio EPA of violations of your permit, including a rationale as to why these violations occurred, along with measures to ensure that they are not repeated. To-date, no notifications have been provided to Ohio EPA. These reporting frequency violations should be explained, along with measures to ensure that they are not repeated.

Compliance Schedule Violations

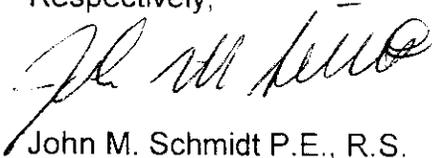
No compliance schedule violations were noted for the reporting period reviewed.

Comment

Annual Sludge Report Review: A review of the annual sludge reports indicates that the Iron Poly Saloon has never reported sludge removal from this facility.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this inspection, please feel free to contact me at (330) 963-1175.

Respectively,



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Division of Surface Water

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