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Re: Athens County
Spartan Acres Subdivision
Storm Water Construction Activity
Notice of Violation
0GC01017*AG

Ms. Kristi Goldsberry
K&L Rentals
197 Longview Heights
Athens, Ohio 45701

Dear Ms. Goldsberry:

On August 11, 2010, I visited your subdivision site on Factory Road in Albany. The purpose of the inspection was to determine the compliance of this site with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for discharges of storm water associated with construction activity. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. The following areas need to be addressed:

Permit Coverage:

1. Part III.G.2.b.ii. of the permit states that operators shall stabilize channels and outfalls to prevent erosive flows. Techniques may include seeding, mulching, erosion control matting, sodding, rip rap, or rock check dams.

On the date of my inspection, the ditch along the roadway was becoming eroded and rills were developing in areas where the soil was being lost in rain events. Stabilize the ditch with seed and straw as soon as possible to prevent further erosive conditions.

As a reminder, since the site referenced above is a sub-division, you are required to transfer NPDES permit coverage to the new owner of each lot sold. This process is outlined below:

Part I.D. of the permit states that if an operator obtains a permit for a development, and then the operator (permittee) sells off lots or parcels within that development, permit coverage must be continued on those lots until a Notice of Termination (NOT) in accordance with Part IV.B is submitted. For developments which require the use of centralized sediment and erosion controls for which the conveyance of permit coverage will jeopardize compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit, the permittee will be required to maintain responsibility for the implementation of those controls. For

developments where this is not the case, it is the permittee's responsibility to temporarily stabilize all lots sold to individual lot owners. In cases where permit coverage for individual lot(s) will be conveyed, the permittee shall inform, in writing, the individual lot owner of the obligations under this permit and ensure that the Individual Lot NOI application is submitted to Ohio EPA.

According to Part II. A. of the permit, the buyer (operator) of a lot in a subdivided development covered by this NPDES permit must submit an individual lot NOI seven days prior to the date that the operator intends to accept responsibility for the lot. The original permittee may submit an individual lot Notice of Termination at the same time; however, transfer of coverage is not granted until a letter of approval from the Ohio EPA is received by the applicant. Once approval is received the operator assumes responsibility for the conditions of this permit and the original SWP3. It is the permittee's responsibility to inform the individual lot owner of the obligations of the permit.

According to Part V. L. of the permit, Ohio EPA must be notified in writing sixty days prior to the transfer of coverage under the NPDES general permit. It is the transferee's responsibility to inform the Ohio EPA that coverage is being transferred.

Sediment and erosion controls for your site must meet the guidelines and design criteria set forth in the above mentioned *Rainwater and Land Development* manual. A copy of this manual may be obtained by contacting the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Soil and Water Conservation, at (614) 265-6610.

Within fourteen (14) days of receipt of this letter, please submit to me at this office a written notification as to actions taken or proposed to eliminate violations of the permit. Your response should include the dates, either actual or proposed, for the completion of the actions. If you have any questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5430 or Aaron Wolfe at (740) 380-5277

Sincerely,



L.J. Parkins
Storm Water Section
Division of Surface Water

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