



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor  
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor  
Scott J. Nally, Director

August 11, 2011

**Re:** Noble County  
Noble Co Sanitary Sewers Contracts 1-4  
Storm Water Construction Activity  
Notice of Violation  
0GC01404\*AG

Mr. Charles McAuley  
Noble County Commissioners  
Courthouse Room 210  
Caldwell, Ohio 43724

Dear Mr. McAuley:

On July 5, 2011, I visited your site on South Acres and Maple Heights. The purpose of the inspection was to determine the compliance of this site with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the discharge of stormwater associated with construction activity. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. Violators of ORC 6111 may be fined up to \$10,000 per day of violation. In addition, federal law allows for third party lawsuits for failure to comply with terms and conditions of NPDES permits. The following areas need to be addressed:

**Permit Coverage:**

1. Stabilization

**TABLE 1: PERMANENT STABILIZATION**

Area requiring permanent stabilization	Time frame to apply erosion controls
Any areas that will lie dormant for one year or more	Within seven days of the most recent disturbance
Any areas within 50 feet of a surface water of the State and at final grade	Within two days of reaching final grade
Any other areas at final grade	Within seven days of reaching final grade within that area

**TABLE 2 – TEMPORARY STABILIZATION**

Area requiring temporary stabilization	Time frame to apply erosion controls
Any disturbed areas within 50 feet of a surface water of the State and not at final grade	Within two days of the most recent disturbance if the area will remain idle for more than 21 days
For all construction activities, any disturbed areas that will be dormant for more than 21 days but less than one year, and not within 50 feet of a surface water of the State	Within seven days of the most recent disturbance within the area  For residential subdivisions, disturbed areas must be stabilized at least seven days prior to transfer of permit coverage for the individual lot(s).
Disturbed areas that will be idle over winter	Prior to the onset of winter weather

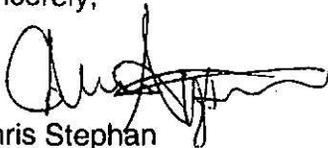
Where vegetative stabilization techniques may cause structural instability or are otherwise unobtainable, alternative stabilization techniques must be employed.

**There are some areas throughout the site that are lacking stabilization. In order to bring the site into compliance apply seed and straw in accordance with the stabilization table above.**

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) 385-8501 or Aaron Wolfe at (740) 380-5277.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Stephan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Chris Stephan  
Storm Water Section  
Division of Surface Water

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