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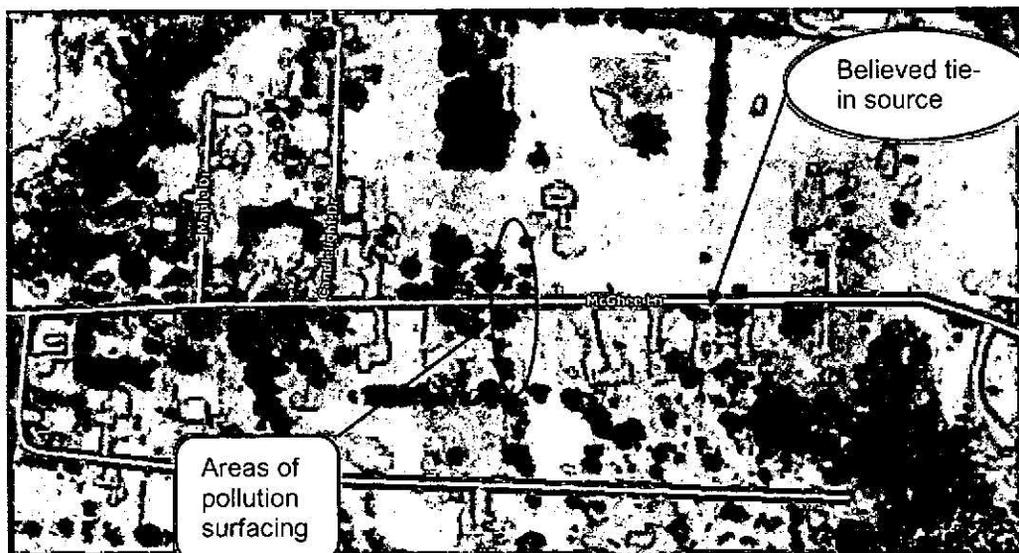
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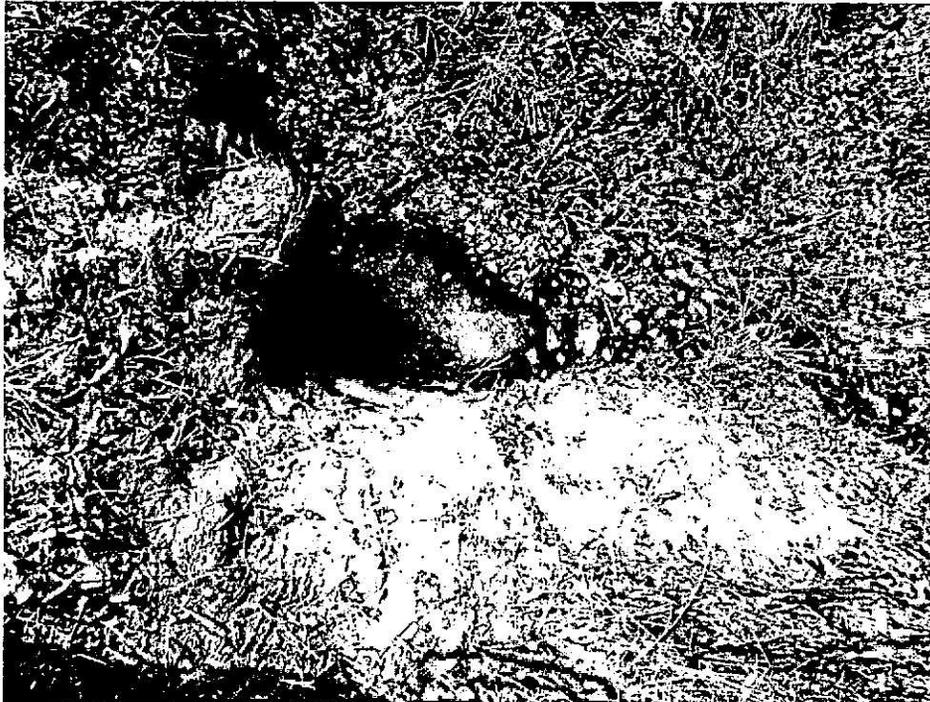
Re: Jackson County
Wellston WWTP
Ohio EPA Permit No. 0PC00013*KD
NPDES Permit No. OH0023507
Notice of Violation
Correspondence (PWW)

Mayor and Council
City of Wellston
203 East Broadway
Wellston, Ohio 45692

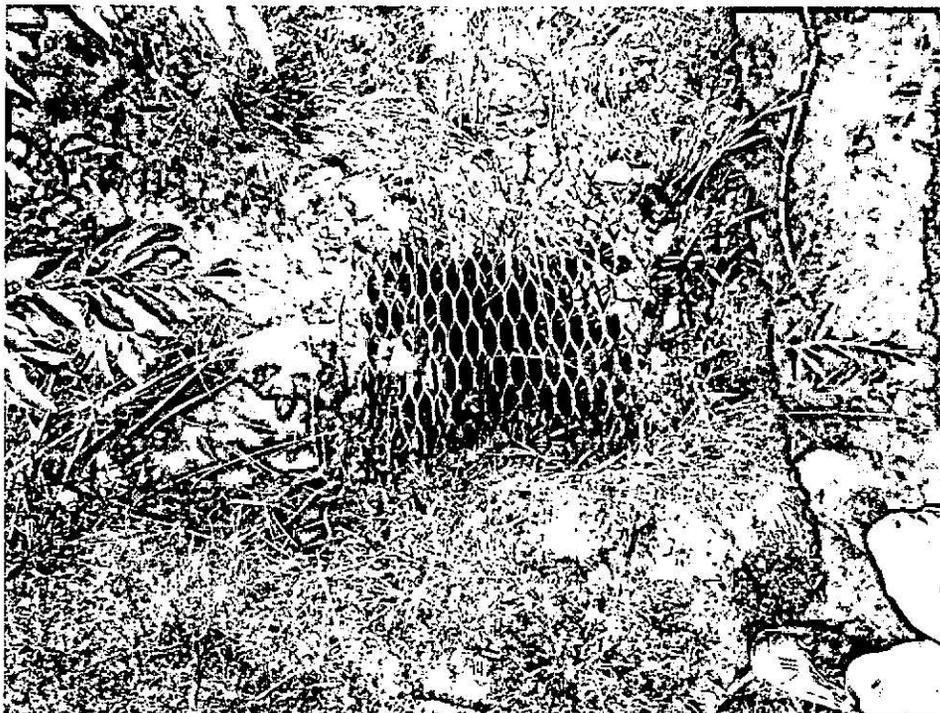
Dear Mayor and Council:

Our office has been informed of complaints of septic and/or nuisance conditions along McGhee Lane contributing to an unnamed tributary of Meadow Run. I met with Jackson County Health Department on June 25 upon the initial calls from local residents to the Health Department. There was some recent activity of service line repairs noted during that site visit. I had noted that a house had burnt down at 122 Montgomery Meadows when I revisited the site on July 23, 2009. The conditions have not been improved in the last ~30 days. The following photographs visually attest to the condition. There seems to be a sanitary sewer tied to a storm sewer in front of the residence at 240 McGhee Lane.

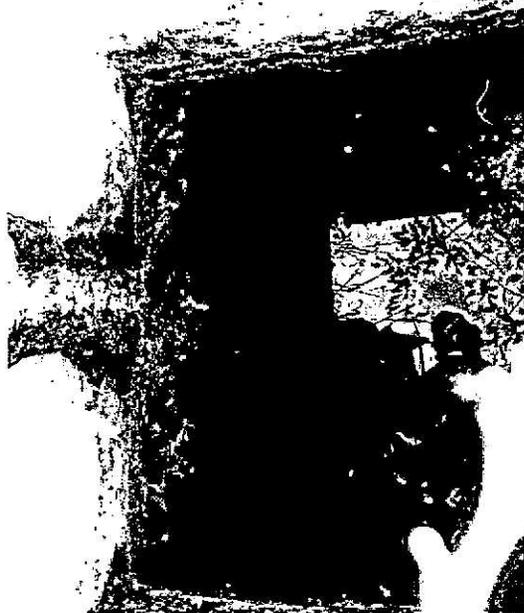




Unsanitary/nuisance condition near culvert under McGhee Lane



Unsecured storm inlet of SW corner of 240 McGhee Lane



Visually interpreted sanitary inside of the above storm inlet

At the daylight side of the pipe a couple houses up McGhee Lane, there was no observable unsanitary/nuisance conditions and also no flow. The flow at this source was similar in flow rate to the flow surfacing at the culvert under McGhee Lane. The collection systems of sanitary and storm appear to be crossed. Please describe the City's actions to date and future actions to remedy the situation. I would advise taking Fecal Coliform samples of the flow if it is believed that the flow is not sanitary wastewater. Regardless, the discharge is an unauthorized discharge of pollutants to Waters of the State. The source of the nuisance/unsanitary water needs to be segregated from storm waters perhaps by tying into sanitary sewers.

Please inform this office in writing within 7 calendar days of the status of correcting for the nuisance/unsanitary condition. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (740) 380-5272.

Sincerely,

Aaron Pennington
District Representative
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosure

c: Kristen Miller, Dir. of Env., Jackson County Health Department