



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

Re: Seneca County
South Shaffer Park Dr Roadway Project
Combined Sewer Separation Ph 2
2005 Sanitary Sewer Improvements
Gibson Run Interceptor
Greenfield St-Market St-Perry St Intersection
Construction
Storm Water

March 8, 2012

Mr. Curtis Eagle, P.E.
City Engineer
City of Tiffin
51 East Market Street
Tiffin, OH 44883

Dear Mr. Eagle:

On February 23, 2012, I inspected several City of Tiffin projects. The purpose of the visit was to evaluate compliance of the sites with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) general permit for storm water discharges associated with construction activity (Construction General Permit). The inspection was conducted under the provisions of the Ohio's water pollution controls statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111.

It appears that construction activities at the following projects are complete:

FACILITY NAME	LOCATION	FACILITY NUMBER
South Shaffer Park Drive Roadway Project	South Shaffer Park Drive between US 224 & SR 18	2GC02056
Combined Sewer Separation Phase 2	Combined Sewer Area CSO 8, CSO 34	2GC01529
Gibson Run Interceptor	3 rd St from Ella St to Sandusky River, along Gibson Run from Ella St to Melmore & northwest along Melmore	OHR106129
2005 Sanitary Sewer Improvements	North Sandusky/Dallas/Tyber/Boehler/Wentz	2GC00762

A Notice of Termination (NOT) must be filed to relieve the City of Tiffin of the obligation to comply with the Construction General Permit. An NOT may be filed if one or more of the following conditions have been met:

- Final stabilization has been achieved on all portions of the site for which the permittee is responsible. Final stabilization means either that:

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1. All soil disturbing activities at the site are complete and a uniform perennial vegetative cover of at least 70% density has been established over the entire site. All temporary erosion and sediment control measures have been removed, properly disposed of, and all trapped sediment has been permanently stabilized; or
 2. For construction projects on land used for agricultural purposes, final stabilization may be accomplished by returning the disturbed land to its pre-construction agricultural use. If not returned to its pre-construction agricultural use, the land must meet the final stabilization criteria in (1).
- Another operator(s) has assumed control over all areas of the site that have not been full stabilized;

Your sites appear to meet the above criteria. Since your March 5, 2012, e-mail confirmed this, please file the NOT form. The NOT form and instructions can be found on our website at:

<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/stormform.aspx>

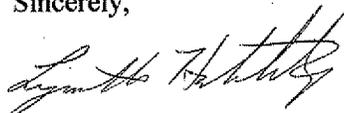
NOTs must be mailed to Ohio EPA's Central Office within 45 days of when the above criteria are met.

I also inspected the area of the Greenfield St-Market St-Perry St Intersection, Facility No. 2GC03047. At the time of the inspection, no earthwork was occurring and no construction equipment was present. There were a few small areas with straw mulch. Your March 5, 2012, e-mail stated that construction has not begun on this project, but you expect to start in May 2012. When construction does commence, please remember the permit requirements for storm water management during construction and post construction, such as weekly self-inspections and the requirement to apply cover on bare soil in any areas that will sit idle for more than 21 days. Your sediment controls must be installed within 7 days of grubbing and before any grading.

Please send a written reply within 10 days of the date of this letter describing how the post construction storm water management requirements will be met for this project. Your reply should include the type(s) of practices you are implementing and the basis for their design.

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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cc: Inspection Tracking