



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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July 26, 2012

Tracy Higginbotham
Buckeye Lake Winery Inc.
5941 Bayside Ridge Dr.
Galena, Ohio 43012

**Re: Storm Water Inspection at Buckeye Lake Winery/ Fairfield County
Permit #: 4GC03755*AG**

Dear Mr. Higginbotham:

This letter is written in follow-up to a construction storm water inspection by Kelsey Heyob and Katie Rumora of the Ohio EPA, at Buckeye Lake Winery located at 0 Fairfield Beach Road in Thornville, Ohio on July 9, 2012. The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate compliance with the General Storm Water Permit Associated with Construction Activities. During the inspection, we noted the following:

Sediment and Erosion Controls

- The silt fence along the bank of Buckeye Lake appeared to be functioning as intended.
- Please be aware that the General Permit states that all barren areas which remain idle in excess of 21 days must be protected from erosion within seven days of the last earth disturbing activities. In addition, erosion protection must be implemented for all areas of final grade within seven (7) days.

Jurisdictional Wetland

- It is my understanding that you are under a "Cease and Desist" issued by the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) for any activities within the jurisdictional wetland. Please address any updates related to this issue.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the inspection, please do not hesitate to contact me at our Central District Office at (614) 728-3844. Follow-up inspections will be conducted to ensure the conditions of the General Permit are continuing to be met.

Sincerely,

Harry Kallipolitis
Storm Water Coordinator
Division of Surface Water
Central District Office

HK/nsm Buckeye Lake Winery