



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

November 9, 2012

RE: CUYAHOGA COUNTY
CITY OF MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS
CONSTRUCTION STORM WATER
SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH CENTER
PERMIT NO: 3GC05873

Rick Brown
Southwest General Health Center
18697 Bagley Road
Middleburg Heights, OH 44130

Kevin Cicen
Albert M Higley Co
2926 Chester Ave
Cleveland, OH 44114

Dear Mr. Brown and Mr. Cicen:

On October 25, 2012, I conducted an inspection of storm water best management practices at the above referenced site. While on site, I met with Steve Meta, acting superintendent, and Cameron Carris, storm water inspector, for the Albert M Higley Company. Our records indicate that storm water discharges from this construction site are authorized under the Ohio EPA General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Storm Water Associated with Construction Activities #3GC05873*AG.

My inspection revealed the following deficiencies in storm water pollution prevention:

- Discharges from wheel washing are not being adequately controlled. I observed sediment washing across the adjacent Cleveland MetroParks trail system. Abrams Creek is immediately adjacent to the trail. When performing wheel wash activities, ensure that trucks are parked where washwater will flow to a sediment control. In addition, a leak in the water supply line may be contributing to the situation. Please repair the water supply line.
- Concrete washout is also not being adequately controlled. There is evidence that not all wastewater is directed into the concrete washout pit. I observed staining from washwater across the the adjacent Cleveland Metro Parks trail system. Please ensure that operators are directing all washwater into the washout pit.
- Better attention to good housekeeping is needed. Trash and debris were observed on the ground behind the construction trailers. All trash and debris is to be disposed in a lidded or covered waste receptacle. Please pick up trash and debris regularly and dispose of it properly.

- Five-gallon cans for gasoline and diesel fuel are being stored on a pallet with no secondary containment. When not in use, containers with liquids or powders that can spill and cause storm water pollution are to be stored in a storage shed or within secondary containment. These cans are located very close to the haul road and could easily be hit by a construction vehicle and create a storm water pollution problem.
- I noted sediment in the parking lot outside the south gate. This sediment will be conveyed into the storm sewer system when it rains. The catch basin that would accept this runoff was not protected. Mr. Carris indicated that this gate is intended to only serve as an entrance gate, but we observed a truck also using it as an exit gate. Sweep up sediment that has been tracked onto the adjacent parking lot and, if you continue to use this gate as an exit gate, install storm drain inlet protection on the catch basin.

Please provide me with a letter of response indicating the actions you will take to address the deficiencies noted above. Your response should be received no later than November 27, 2012. If corrective action requires amendments to the storm water pollution prevention plan, please include a copy of the amended plan.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (330) 963-1145.

Sincerely,



Dan Bogoevski
District Engineer
Division of Surface Water

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Cc: Shannon Mullins, Cuyahoga SWCD
Mike McKay, Engineer, City of Middleburg Heights
Gary Starr, Mayor, City of Middleburg Heights



Fig 1 & 2. Vehicle washwater is being discharged across the park trail. Sediment build up was observed in the vegetation along the fence. This area is immediately adjacent to Abrams Creek.

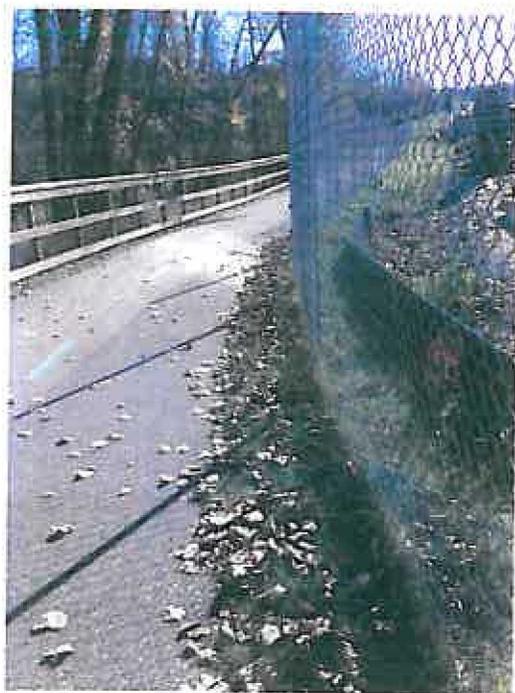


Fig 3 (LEFT). Residue from cement washwater was also observed across the park trail.

Fig 4 (RIGHT). Trash and debris on the ground behind the construction trailers needs to be picked up and properly disposed.