



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

February 11, 2013

RE: TRUMBULL COUNTY  
FOWLER TOWNSHIP  
NEAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
3385 YOUNGSTOWN-KINGSVILLE RD  
NPDES PERMIT NO. OH0129097  
OHIO EPA PERMIT NO. 3PT00086

Mr. Lew Lowery, Superintendent  
Mathews Local School District  
4434-B Warren-Sharon Rd.  
Vienna, OH 44473

Mr. Lowery:

Ohio EPA conducted a compliance evaluation inspection of the wastewater treatment works serving the above-referenced facility on January 30, 2013. The inspection was performed to evaluate the operation and maintenance of the treatment works, and determine the facility's overall compliance with the terms and conditions of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

The existing treatment system consists of a 10,000-gallon septic tank with a discharge to an unnamed tributary of South Branch. At the time of the inspection, the following observations and/or deficiencies were noted:

1. The school has been closed. Wastewater is not currently being generated at the facility.

In addition to the inspection findings, a review of the monthly electronic discharge monitoring reports submitted to this office for the period May 2000 – January 2013 indicated numerous effluent limit and monitoring frequency violations. Mathews Local School District also failed to upgrade the treatment works at Neal Elementary School as was required in the NPDES permit compliance schedule. However, with the facility currently closed, and not generating any wastewater, this office will terminate the existing, expired NPDES permit. As such, no future reporting will be required.

Please note that the wastewater discharge at the facility will have to be addressed prior to any proposed, future usage of the facility.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact this office at (330)963-1120.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tomás Parry".

Tomás Parry, P.E.  
Environmental Engineer  
Division of Surface Water

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Attachments: Photos

cc: Richard Curl, R.S., Trumbull County Health Department

