



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

Re: **Notice of Violation**
Fulton County
Pleasant View
NPDES Permit

February 27, 2013

Mr. Ziad Musallam, P.E., Director
Fulton County Public Utilities
9306 County Road, Suite A
Wauseon, Ohio 43567

Dear Mr. Musallam:

On February 21, 2013, I conducted an inspection at the wastewater treatment facilities serving the Pleasant View Subdivision. Mr. Randy Mahlman was present and provided operation and maintenance information. The Pleasant View Subdivision is located at 3214 Circle Drive, Delta. The discharge observed at Bad Creek was clear with no noticeable odor. Our observations and recommendations can be found on the enclosed inspection report.

A review of the discharge monitoring reports (DMRs) from June 2012 to February 2013 shows that there have been several National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit effluent limit violations. The specific instances of non-compliance are enclosed on a separate sheet. Further review of your self-monitoring reports for the previous six months, ending in January 2013, indicates that you are in significant non-compliance (SNC) with an effluent limitation contained in your NPDES permit. The specific instance of SNC is enclosed on a separate sheet.

As discussed at our December 19, 2012, meeting, the facility needs to maintain compliance with the NPDES permit. If the facility is in SNC after June 1, 2013, escalated enforcement action will be pursued.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (419) 373 – 3053.

Sincerely,

Ryan Gierhart
Division of Surface Water

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Enclosures
pc: Fulton County Commissioners
ec: Tracking

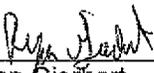


State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Northwest District Office

NPDES Compliance Inspection Report
Semi-Public Sewage Disposal Inspection Form

Section A: National Data System Coding					
Permit #	NPDES#	Month/Day/Year	Inspection Type	Inspector	Facility Type
2PG00109	OH0122424	02/21/2013	C	S	1

Section B: Facility Data		
Name and Location of Facility Inspected	Entry Time	Permit Effective Date
Pleasant View Subdivision 3214 Circle Drive Delta, OH 43515	9:00 am	April 1, 2011
	Exit Time	Permit Expiration Date
	10:00 am	March 31, 2016
Name(s) and Title(s) of On-Site Representatives	Phone Number(s)	
Mr. Randy Mahlman – Plant Operator	419-388-5200(Cell)	
Name(s), Address and Title(s) of Operator of Record	Phone Number(s)	
Mr. Randy Mahlman – Plant Operator	419-388-5200	
Name, Address and Title of Responsible Official	Phone Number	
Fulton County Commissioners 152 South Fulton Street Suite 270 Wauseon, OH 43567	(419) 337 – 9263	

Ohio EPA Inspector	Ohio EPA Reviewer
 Ryan Gierhart Environmental Specialist II Division of Surface Water Northwest District Office	 Thomas Poffenbarger, P.E. Water Quality Engineer II/Unit Supervisor Division of Surface Water Northwest District Office
2-25-13 Date	2/25/13 Date

Average Daily Design Flow:	20,000 gallons/day
Plant Serves:	Subdivision.
Average Daily Flow: (Period of Review):	8,124 gpd (April 2012- February 2013)
Method of flow monitoring:	Run time meters on lift station
Type of alarms for plant:	High water alarm on lift station

Pretreatment

Type of Pretreatment: **Trash Trap**
 Does the Trash Trap need pumped: **No**
 Maintenance of pretreatment components is: **Good**

Comments/Status:

Pumped as needed. 2-3 times a year. System was pumped 2 months ago.

**Secondary Treatment
(Aeration)**

Color of sludge: **Light Brown**
 Quality of Sludge: **Thin**
 Foam: **None present**
 Odor: **No objectionable odor present**

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Aeration is taking place	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plant is septic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Blowers are operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blowers are on a timer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skimmers are operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plant is flooded	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Diffusers are operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grating is present	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sludge return is operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Maintenance of aerating equipment is...**Good**

Comments/Status:

Sludge return was a light brown color. Appeared to be low air flow into aeration tank. Sludge was recently wasted from the aeration tank. It appears that too much sludge may have been wasted resulting in a poor settling sludge.

**Secondary Treatment
(Settling)**

Clarity: **Clear**
 Condition of Weir: **Clean**

Weir is level: **Yes**
 Effluent in weir: **Clear**
 Clarifier walls need scraped: **No**

Overall maintenance of settling components is: **Good**

Comments/Status:

Clarifier walls scraped daily when plant is staffed.

Tertiary Treatment

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Surface sand Filters: Slow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Subsurface	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Distribution box operating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Beds alternated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are filters ponding/flooding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Beds raked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand filters overgrown	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chlorination present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
UV present	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dechlorination present	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Overall maintenance of components is: **Fair**

Comments/Status:

Post-Aeration on in contact tank . New sand filters have been installed and were operating. Solids appear to be carrying over onto sandfilter.

Sludge Handling/Storage Disposal

Hauler name: Lyons Septic

Disposal Site:

Sludge wasted from: Holding tank

How often is sludge wasted: As needed

Sludge drying beds: **No** Sludge holding tank: **Yes**

Overall maintenance of components is: **Fair**

Comments/Status:

Plant Discharge

Discharge point is a: **Stream**

Name of discharge point: **Bad Creek**

Discharge is visible: **Yes**

Quality of Effluent: **Clear**

Comments/Status:

Clear, colorless, and no odor.

Permit No	Reporting Period	Station	Reporting Code	Parameter	Limit Type	Limit	Reported Value	Violation Date
2PG00109*CD	August 2012	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	30D Conc	12.0	16.6666	8/1/2012
2PG00109*CD	August 2012	001	00530	Total Suspended Solids	7D Conc	18.0	27.	8/1/2012
2PG00109*CD	August 2012	001	31648	E. coli	30D Conc	161	298.7	8/1/2012
2PG00109*CD	October 2012	001	31648	E. coli	30D Conc	161	344.8	10/1/2012

Get New
Data

Get Detail
for Selected
Permit

Facilities in Significant Non-Compliance **

Period: Aug-12 Jan-13

County	Permit #	Facility Name	Major	Station Code	Param Code	Parameter Name	Max % Exceed	# Months Signif Exceed (1)**	# Months Exceed (2)**
Fulton	2PG00109	Pleasant View Subdiv		1	31648	E. coli	114.2	2	2