

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0020451-10-0

Permittee: Port Edwards (Village of), 201 Market Avenue, Port Edwards, WI, 54469

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Port Edwards Wastewater Treatment Facility, 691 Old Hwy 73, Port Edwards, WI

Receiving Water And Location: the surface waters of the Wisconsin River in the Wisconsin Rapids Watershed of the Wisconsin River Central Sub-Basin located in Wood County

Brief Facility Description and Summary of Proposed Changes: The Village of Port Edwards owns and operates a wastewater treatment facility with discharge to the Wisconsin River. The annual average design flow is 0.538 million gallons per day (MGD) and discharged an average flow of 0.427 MGD in 2019. Wastewater is pretreated through a fine screen and grit removal, then treated through 2 oxidation ditches followed by 2 final clarifiers and disinfected via UV light prior to discharge. Sludge is treated in an aerobic digester and land applied on Department approved fields. Monitoring changes proposed for this permit issuance include 1) new influent flow monitoring, 2) new phosphorus mass effluent limit based on the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for the Wisconsin River Basin using site-specific criteria (SSC) to address phosphorus water quality impairments within the TMDL area, 3) new effluent total nitrogen series monitoring, and 4) fecal coliform effluent monitoring and limits will be replaced with *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*) monitoring and limits established in s. NR 210.06 (2), Wis. Adm Code with an associated compliance schedule.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Angela Parkhurst, DNR, 1300 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI, 54701, (715) 839-3836, Angela.Parkhurst@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Peter Pfefferkorn, 473 Griffith Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494, (715) 421-7868, Peter.Pfefferkorn@wisconsin.gov

The Department has tentatively decided that the above specified WPDES permit should be reissued.

Limitations and conditions which the Department believes adequately protect the receiving water are included in the proposed permit. Land application of waste shall be done in accordance with permit conditions and applicable codes. All land application sites shall be approved prior to their use. To receive a list of approved sites, or to be notified of potential approvals, contact the above named basin engineer.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, or to request a public hearing, may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the above named permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is issued. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if requested by any person and shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from 5 or more persons or if response to this notice indicates significant public interest pursuant to s. 283.49, Stats. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit, fact sheet and permit application, may be inspected and copied at either the above named permit drafter's office or the above named basin engineer's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (715) 839-3836 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (15 cents per page for copies and 7 cents per page for scanning) will be charged for information in the file other than the public notice, permit and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

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