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Subject: Galesville WWTF WPDES Permit #WI-0021725
Water Quality Trading Plan – CONDITIONAL CREDIT CERTIFICATION

Dear Mr. Howe,

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (department) received a final draft of the updated water quality trading plan (WQT Plan) for compliance with phosphorus effluent limits at Galesville Wastewater Treatment Facility on 04/02/2025. Based on department review, the final WQT Plan is in general conformance with the department Water Quality Trading Guidance and Section 283.84 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The WQT plan proposes generation of phosphorus credits via streambank stabilization, conversion of cropping land to permanent grassland, and a herd reduction with grade stabilization projects and a stream crossing. These practices are anticipated to be completed by the end of 2025. Permit reissuance will occur following the completion of these projects and credits will be generated beginning January 1, 2026. Credits generated from approved practices result in available credit quantities shown in Table 1. These credits will be incorporated into the reissued WPDES permit and will be used to demonstrate compliance with final phosphorus effluent limits in the reissued permit.

*In the event that the permit is not reissued prior to the expiration date, annual available TP credits listed below will be available in the subsequent year(s).

Table 1: Total Phosphorus Credits Available per WQT-2025-0009

Year	Available TP Credits Total (lbs/yr)
2026	359
2027	359
2028	359
2029	359
2030	359*

The department conditionally certifies the WQT Plan as a basis for water quality trading during the next WPDES permit term. The department has assigned the WQT plan a tracking number of WQT-2025-0009 and will be referenced as such in the draft WPDES permit. The final WQT plan will be included as part of the public notice package for permit reissuance. The draft WPDES permit will include a requirement for an annual trading report and effluent monitoring for total phosphorus. Any modifications to the WQT plan within the permit term will also require a modification to the permit and a public notification period.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 715-492-4323 or at jenna.monahan@wisconsin.gov

Thank You,

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