

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0049964-05-0

Permittee: Fish, Crystal and Mud Lake Rehabilitation Di, W12367 Padley Road, Lodi, WI, 53555

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Fish, Crystal and Mud Lake Rehabilitation Di, outfalls at Wisconsin Ri and Roxbury Cr; Sections 6 and 15 T9N R7E

Receiving Water And Location: From Crystal Lake to Roxbury Creek and from Fish Lake to the Wisconsin River – Roxbury Creek Watershed (LW18) in Dane County

Brief Facility Description and Summary of Proposed Changes: Fish, Crystal, and Mud Lake Rehabilitation District operates one pump to lower the water level to the Ordinary High-Water Mark (OHWM) in Crystal Lake. The Fish Lake pump system has been underwater since 2019 and is currently inoperable. The Lake District Board has no current plans for Fish and Mud Lake but is looking into other alternatives. The intake pump for Fish Lake is located at Dane County Fish Lake Park and used to pump approximately 540 gallons per minute (gpm) into a wet well and discharge 2.5 miles away to an outfall (Outfall 001) on the east bank of the Wisconsin River. Discharge from Fish Lake occurred intermittently from October through June. The intake pump for Crystal Lake is approximately 850 feet east of the Mussen and Crystal Road intersection. The intake structure consists of a collection area filled with stone which drain into a 12-inch pipe. The pipe collects the lake water in a wet well, the lake water is then pumped through a forcemain to the outfall. The outfall (Outfall 002) is located 2.7 miles away at Roxbury Creek, about 1,200 feet east of County Highway Y. The pump for Crystal Lake was replaced in March 2024, the pump capacity is approximately 1,000 gpm. Discharge from Crystal Lake occurs intermittently until the lake reaches the OHWM.

The total monthly reporting of flow rate was removed from the permit. An interim concentration limit for BOD<sub>5</sub> is included in the permit for the months of May through September. Temperature limits for the months of May and September are included in the permit. The sample type and sample frequency for temperature has been updated for eDMR reporting purposes.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: BetsyJo Howe, 3911 Fish Hatchery Rd, Fitchburg, WI, 53711, (608) 419-4155, Betsyjo.Howe@wisconsin.gov

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

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, Wis. 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 (608) 419-4155 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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