STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0023990-10-0

Permittee: City of Fond du Lac, P O Box 150, Fond du Lac, WI, 54936

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Fond du Lac WTRRF, 700 Doty Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

Receiving Water And Location: Lake Winnebago in Fond du Lac River Watershed of Upper Fox River Basin in Fond Du Lac County

Brief Facility Description: The permittee owns and operates the Fond du Lac Wastewater Treatment & Resource Recovery Facility (WTRRF), a wastewater treatment facility which treats sewage from the City of Fond du Lac; Calumet Sanitary District No. 1; Taycheedah Sanitary Districts No.'s 1 & 3; Town of Fond du Lac Sanitary Districts No.'s 2, 3, 4 & 6; Town of Empire Sanitary Districts No.'s 1, 2 & 3; Town of Friendship Sanitary District No.1 and Flood District; and the Village of North Fond du Lac. The facility receives domestic, commercial, and industrial wastes and the permittee administers an industrial pretreatment program that regulates the industrial contributors. Biological treatment is provided using an activated sludge system. Phosphorous removal is provided through biological treatment in the aeration basins and ferric sulfate additions. Disinfection is provided seasonally from May through September using ultraviolet radiation to protect recreational uses of the receiving water. Sludge is stabilized by mesophilic anaerobic digestion and then dewatered by centrifuges. Sludge is land applied and provisions are also in place for it to be landfilled.

The permittee has requested blending approval to continue as part of their permit application. Based on an evaluation of their request and associated documentation, blending is conditionally approved per s. NR 210.12(2), Wis. Adm. Code.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Ashley Clark, 2984 Shawano Ave, Green Bay, WI, 54313, (920) 857-0450, Ashleym.Clark@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Mark Stanek, 625 E County Road Y, Suite 700, Oshkosh, WI 54901, (920) 808-0670, Mark.Stanek@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, 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 (920) 857-0450 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.