Permit Fact Sheet

General Information

Permit Number:	WI-0060453-10-0
Permittee Name and Address:	CITY OF MILTON 710 S Janesville St Milton, WI 53563-0188
Permitted Facility Name and Address:	MILTON WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY 41 NORTH STREET, MILTON, WISCONSIN
Permit Term:	Effective: January 01, 2025 Expiration: December 31, 2029
Discharge Location:	East bank of the Rock River, NE ¼ of SW ¼, Section 14, T4N, R12E. Lat: 42.81093° N / Lon: 89.04431° W
Receiving Water:	Rock River (Rock River/Milton Watershed, LR04 – Lower Rock River Basin) in Rock County
StreamFlow (Q _{7,10}):	140 cfs
Stream Classification:	Warm water sport fish (WWSF), non-public water supply
Discharge Type:	Existing, Continuous
Design Flow(s)	Annual Average 0.625 MGD
Industrial or Commercial Contributors:	Handy Art (paint formulating), Clasen Quality Chocolates (chocolatier), Evonik (chemical manufacturer), Cargill Animal Nutrition (animal feed manufacturing), United Ethanol (grain ethanol production), Freedom Graphics (ink formulating for direct mail printing), S&S Transport, Charter Next Generation, and four car washes
Plant Classification:	Facility is Advanced with subclasses A1 – Suspended Growth Processes, B – Solids Separation, C – Biological Solids/Sludges, D – Disinfection, P – Biological Nutrient Removal (Phosphorus), L – Laboratory, SS – Sanitary Sewage Collection System
Approved Pretreatment Program?	N/A

Facility Description

The Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility provides treatment to a combination of domestic, commercial, and industrial wastewater. Treatment process consists of an activated sludge system that is designed for nitrification (ammonia removal) and biological phosphorus removal in addition to BOD removal. Alum is added for chemical polishing. Treatment units include raw wastewater screening, extended aeration activated sludge units, final clarifiers, and UV disinfection prior to discharge in the force main to the Rock River. Sludge is aerobically digested, thickened with a gravity belt thickener, and stored in liquid sludge storage tanks before being land applied on DNR-approved sites. The City of Milton discharges in a shared outfall with Consolidated Koshkonong Sanitary District Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Substantial Compliance Determination

After a desk top review of all discharge monitoring reports, CMARs, land application reports, and a site visit on February 15, 2023, this facility has been found to be in substantial compliance with their current permit.

	Sample Point Designation					
Sample Point Number	Discharge Flow, Units, and Averaging Period	Sample Point Location, Waste Type/Sample Contents and Treatment Description (as applicable)				
701	Not required to report	Influent: 24-hr flow proportional composite samples shall be collected after the screen building, prior to biological phosphorus treatment.				
001	0.311 MGD (Average October 2018 – May 2024)	Effluent: Effluent: 24-hr flow proportional composite samples shall be collected from the old chlorine contact tank prior to UV disinfection. Grab samples shall be collected from a sample valve directly after UV disinfection banks. Flow is monitored with a Parshall flume located after the final clarifiers, prior to the old chlorine contact tank.				
004	111 U.S. Tons (2023 Permit Application)	Aerobically digested, gravity belt thickened, liquid, Class B. Representative composite samples shall be collected from the biosolids storage tank.				

1 Influent – Monitoring Requirements

Sample Point Number: 701- INFLUENT

Monitoring Requirements and Limitations						
Parameter	Limit Type	Limit and Units	Sample Frequency	Sample Type	Notes	
BOD5, Total		mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
Suspended Solids, Total		mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		

Changes from Previous Permit:

Influent limitations and monitoring requirements were evaluated for this permit term and no changes were required in this permit section.

Explanation of Limits and Monitoring Requirements

Monitoring of BOD5 and total suspended solids is required by s. NR 210.04(2), Wis. Adm. Code, to assess wastewater strengths and to demonstrate the percent removal requirements in s. NR 210.05, Wis. Adm. Code, and in the Standard Requirements section of the permit.

2 Surface Water - Monitoring and Limitations

Sample Point Number: 001- EFFLUENT to ROCK RIVER

Monitoring Requirements and Limitations						
Parameter	Limit Type	Limit and Units	Sample Frequency	Sample Type	Notes	
Flow Rate		MGD	Daily	Continuous		
BOD5, Total	Weekly Avg	45 mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
BOD5, Total	Monthly Avg	30 mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
Suspended Solids, Total	Weekly Avg	45 mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
Suspended Solids, Total	Monthly Avg	30 mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
Suspended Solids, Total	Weekly Avg	217 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	January, March, May, July, August, October, December	
Suspended Solids, Total	Weekly Avg	240 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	February	
Suspended Solids, Total	Weekly Avg	221 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	April, June, September, November	
Suspended Solids, Total	Monthly Avg	154 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	January, March, May, July, August, October, December	
Suspended Solids, Total	Monthly Avg	170 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	February	
Suspended Solids, Total	Monthly Avg	157 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	April, June, September, November	
pH Field	Daily Max	9.0 su	5/Week	Grab		
pH Field	Daily Min	6.0 su	5/Week	Grab		
Nitrogen, Ammonia Variable Limit		mg/L	3/Week	See Table	Look up the variable ammonia limit from the 'Variable Ammonia Limitation' table and report the variable limit in the Ammonia Variable Limit column on the eDMR.	
Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3-N) Total	Daily Max - Variable	mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp	Report the daily maximum Ammonia result in the Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3- N) Total column of the eDMR. See Ammonia	

Monitoring Requirements and Limitations						
Parameter	Limit Type	Limit and Units	Sample Frequency	Sample Type	Notes	
					Limitation section.	
Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3-N) Total	Weekly Avg	60 mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
Nitrogen, Ammonia (NH3-N) Total	Monthly Avg	60 mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
E. coli	Geometric Mean - Monthly	126 #/100 ml	Weekly	Grab	May - September	
E. coli	% Exceedance	10 Percent	Monthly	Calculated	May - September	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	1.0 mg/L	3/Week	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	57.4 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	January	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	82.4 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	February	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	56.4 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	March	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	35.3 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	April	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	52.9 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	May	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	12.3 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	June	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	9.21 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	July	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	2.2 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	August	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	17.8 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	September	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	14.7 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	October	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	17.9 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	November	
Phosphorus, Total	Monthly Avg	33.7 lbs/day	3/Week	Calculated	December	
Chloride		mg/L	Monthly	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp	Monitoring in 2027.	
PFOS		ng/L	1/2 Months	Grab	Monitoring only. See PFOS/PFOA Minimization Plan Determination of Need schedule.	
PFOA		ng/L	1/2 Months	Grab	Monitoring only. See PFOS/PFOA Minimization Plan Determination of Need schedule.	
Acute WET		TUa	See Listed Qtr(s)	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp	See Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) Testing	

	Monitoring Requirements and Limitations					
Parameter	Limit Type	Limit and Units	Sample Frequency	Sample Type	Notes	
					section.	
Nitrogen, Total Kjeldahl		mg/L	See Listed Qtr(s)	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
Nitrogen, Nitrite + Nitrate Total		mg/L	See Listed Qtr(s)	24-Hr Flow Prop Comp		
Nitrogen, Total		mg/L	See Listed Qtr(s)	Calculated	Total Nitrogen shall be calculated as the sum of reported values for Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen and Total Nitrite + Nitrate Nitrogen.	

Changes from Previous Permit

Effluent limitations and monitoring requirements were evaluated for this permit term and the following changes were made from the previous permit. See additional explanation of limits under "Explanation of Limits and Monitoring Requirements" below.

TSS: The TMDL mass limits are in order of weekly average limits then monthly average limits.

pH: The sample frequency is 5/week.

E. coli: Fecal coliform monitoring and limits have been replaced with Escherichia coli (E. coli) monitoring and limits.

Chloride: The monitoring year has been updated to 2027.

PFOS and PFOA: Monitoring once every two months is included in the permit in accordance with s. NR 106.98(2)(c), Wis. Adm. Code.

Total Nitrogen Monitoring (TKN, N02+N03 and Total N): Annual monitoring in rotating quarters throughout the permit term was added to the proposed permit.

Total Residual Chlorine: Monitoring has been removed from the permit. Chlorine disinfection has been replaced with UV disinfection; chlorine monitoring is no longer required.

Temperature: Monitoring has been removed from the permit. Temperature monitoring was only required in year 2022 of the previous permit term.

Chronic WET: Monitoring has been removed from the permit.

Explanation of Limits and Monitoring Requirements

Detailed discussions of limits and monitoring requirements can be found in the attached Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations (WQBEL) for the Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility memo, prepared by Sarah Luck, dated August 20, 2024.

BOD₅, **TSS**, and **pH**: Categorical limits and WQBELs are included in the permit as outlined in ch. NR 210, Wis. Adm. Code. The effluent limitations for BOD5, TSS, and pH are carried over from the previous permit and are not subject to change at this time because the receiving water characteristics have not changed.

TMDL: A total maximum daily load (TMDL) was developed for the Rock River Basin to determine the maximum amounts of phosphorus and sediment that can be discharged to protect and improve water quality. The Rock River Basin's

TMDL was approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in September 2011. These final effluent limits were derived from and comply with the applicable water quality criterion and is consistent with the assumptions and requirements of the EPA-approved WLA for the Rock River. The entire report can be found at: http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/TMDLs/RockRiver/Final_Rock_River_TMDL_Report_with_Tables.pdf. The proposed permit includes limitations and requirements necessary to implement the recommendations of the TMDL.

- **Suspended Solids, Total:** The TMDL mass limits are in addition to the concentration limit for suspended solids. The approved total suspended solids TMDL limits for this permittee are expressed as weekly average and monthly average effluent limits and were already effective during the previous permit term.
- **Phosphorus:** Waste load allocations specified in TMDLs are expressed as WQBELs (water quality based effluent limits). The waste load allocated-derived WQBELs are consistent with the assumptions and requirements of the approved Rock River TMDL. The approved total phosphorus TMDL limits for this permittee are expressed as monthly average effluent limits and were already effective during the previous permit term.

Ammonia: Current acute and chronic ammonia toxicity criteria for the protection of aquatic life are included in Tables 2C and 4B of ch. NR 105, Wis. Adm. Code. Subchapter IV of ch. NR 106 establishes the procedure for calculating water quality based effluent limitations (WQBELs) for ammonia.

E. Coli: Revisions to bacteria surface water quality criteria to protect recreational uses and accompanying E. coli WPDES permit implementation procedures became effective May 1, 2020. The new rule requires that WPDES permits for facilities with required disinfection include monitoring for E. coli while facilities are disinfecting during the recreation period, and establish effluent limitations for E. coli established in s. NR 210.06 (2), Wis. Adm Code. The administrative code rule changes included the following actions: revised the bacteria water quality criteria from fecal coliform to E. coli to protect recreation in ch. NR 102, Wis. Adm. Code.; removed fecal coliform criteria for certain individual waters from ch. NR 104, Wis. Adm. Code.; revised permit requirements for publicly and privately owned sewage treatment works in ch. NR 210, Wis. Adm. Code.; and, updated approved analytical methods for bacteria in ch. NR 219, Wis. Adm. Code. An evaluation of effluent data determined the facility can meet the E. coli limits, and no compliance schedule is included.

Chloride: Acute and chronic chloride toxicity criteria for the protection of aquatic life are included in Tables 1 and 5 of ch. NR 105, Wis. Adm. Code. Subchapter VII of ch. NR 106 establishes the procedure for calculating water quality based effluent limitations (WQBELs) for chloride.

PFOS and PFOA: NR 106 Subchapter VIII – Permit Requirements for PFOS and PFOA Dischargers became effective on August 1, 2022. At the first reissuance of a WPDES permit after August 1, 2022, the new rule requires WPDES permits for municipal dischargers with an average flow rate less than 1 MGD, to be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine if monitoring is required pursuant to s. NR 106.98(2)(c), Wis. Adm. Code. The department evaluated the need for PFOS and PFOA monitoring taking into consideration the presence of potential PFOS or PFOA industrial wastes, remediation sites and other potential sources of PFOS or PFOA. Based on information available at the time the proposed permit was drafted, it was identified that the POTW has an indirect discharger(s) that may be a potential source of PFOS/PFOA.

Therefore, monitoring once every two months is included. A sample frequency of 1/2 months means one sample is taken during any two-month period. Examples of 1/2 month sample would be every other month (Jan, March, May, etc.) or back-to-back months with a break in between (February & March, May & June, Aug & Sept, etc.). DMR Short Forms will be generated for the following time periods: January-February, March-April, May-June, July-August, September-October, and November-December. At a minimum one sample result will be present on each form.

The initial determination of the need for sampling shall be conducted for up to two years in order to determine if the permitted discharge has the reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an exceedance of the PFOS or PFOA standards under s. NR 102.04(8)(d)1, Wis. Adm. Code.

Whole Effluent Toxicity: Whole effluent toxicity (WET) testing requirements and limits (if applicable) are determined in accordance with ss. NR 106.08 and NR 106.09 Wis. Adm. Code, as revised August 2016. (See the current version of the

Whole Effluent Toxicity Program Guidance Document and checklist and WET information, guidance and test methods at http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/wet.html)

Total Nitrogen Monitoring (NO2+NO3, TKN and Total N): The Department has included effluent monitoring for Total Nitrogen in the permit through the authority under §§ 283.55(1)(e), Wis. Stats., which allows the department to require the permittee to submit information necessary to identify the type and quantity of any pollutants discharged from the point source, and through s. NR 200.065(1)(h), Wis. Adm. Code, which allows for this monitoring to be collected during the permit term. More information on the justification to include total nitrogen monitoring in wastewater permits can be found in the "Guidance for Total Nitrogen Monitoring in Wastewater Permits" dated October 1, 2019.

Monitoring Frequencies: The <u>Monitoring Frequencies for Individual Wastewater Permits</u> guidance (April 12, 2021) recommends that standard monitoring frequencies be included in individual wastewater permits based on the size and type of the facility, in order to characterize effluent quality and variability, to detect events of noncompliance, and to ensure fairness and consistency in permits issued across the state. Guidance and requirements in administrative code were considered when determining the appropriate monitoring frequencies for pollutants that have final effluent limits in effect during this permit term.

The department has been revisiting the sampling frequencies at every facility to evaluate whether current frequencies are appropriate or if an increase is warranted. The frequency for pH was increased to align Milton with other facilities of similar size to ensure fairness and in consideration of department guidance on sampling frequencies.

Requirements in administrative code (NR 108, 205, 210, and 214 Wis. Adm. Code) and Sections 283.55, Wis. Stats., were considered, where applicable, when determining the appropriate monitoring frequencies for pollutants that have final effluent limits in effect during this permit term. The department has determined at this time that the aforementioned changes in monitoring frequency are warranted based on the size and type of the facility.

Expression of Limits: In accordance with the federal regulation 40 CFR 122.45(d) and s. NR 205.065, Wis. Adm. Code limits in this permit are to be expressed as weekly average and monthly average limits whenever practicable.

3 Land Application - Monitoring and Limitations

	Municipal Sludge Description							
Sample Point	Sludge Class (A or B)	Sludge Type (Liquid or Cake)	Pathogen Reduction Method	Vector Attraction Method	Reuse Option	Amount Reused/Disposed (Dry Tons/Year)		
004	В	Liquid	Fecal Coliform	Injection	Land Application	111		
Does sludge n	nanagement der	nonstrate comp	liance? Yes.					
Is additional s	Is additional sludge storage required? No.							
Is Radium-22	6 present in the	water supply at	a level greater	than 2 pCi/liter?	No.			
Is a priority p	Is a priority pollutant scan required? No, design flow is less than 5 MGD.							
Priority pollut MGD, and on	tant scans are re ce every 5 years	quired once eve s if design flow	ery 10 years at fairs greater than 4	acilities with des 40 MGD.	ign flows betwee	n 5 MGD and 40		

Sample Point Number: 004- SLUDGE

Monitoring Requirements and Limitations						
Parameter	Limit Type	Limit and Units	Sample Frequency	Sample Type	Notes	
Solids, Total		Percent	Annual	Composite		
Arsenic Dry Wt	Ceiling	75 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Arsenic Dry Wt	High Quality	41 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Cadmium Dry Wt	Ceiling	85 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Cadmium Dry Wt	High Quality	39 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Copper Dry Wt	Ceiling	4,300 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Copper Dry Wt	High Quality	1,500 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Lead Dry Wt	Ceiling	840 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Lead Dry Wt	High Quality	300 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Mercury Dry Wt	Ceiling	57 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Mercury Dry Wt	High Quality	17 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Molybdenum Dry Wt	Ceiling	75 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Nickel Dry Wt	Ceiling	420 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Nickel Dry Wt	High Quality	420 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Selenium Dry Wt	Ceiling	100 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Selenium Dry Wt	High Quality	100 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Zinc Dry Wt	Ceiling	7,500 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Zinc Dry Wt	High Quality	2,800 mg/kg	Annual	Composite		
Nitrogen, Total Kjeldahl		Percent	Annual	Composite		
Nitrogen, Ammonium (NH4-N) Total		Percent	Annual	Composite		
Phosphorus, Total		Percent	Annual	Composite		
Phosphorus, Water Extractable		% of Tot P	Annual	Composite		
Potassium, Total Recoverable		Percent	Annual	Composite		
PCB Total Dry Wt	Ceiling	50 mg/kg	Once	Composite	Monitoring once in 2026.	
PCB Total Dry Wt	High Quality	10 mg/kg	Once	Composite	Monitoring once in 2026.	
PFOA + PFOS		ug/kg	Annual	Calculated	Report the sum of PFOA and PFOS. See PFAS	

	Monitoring Requirements and Limitations					
Parameter	Limit Type	Limit and Units	Sample Frequency	Sample Type	Notes	
					Permit Section for more information.	
PFAS Dry Wt			Annual	Grab	Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances based on updated DNR PFAS List. See PFAS Permit Sections for more information.	

Changes from Previous Permit:

Sludge limitations and monitoring requirements were evaluated for this permit term and the following changes were made from the previous permit. See additional explanation of limits under "Explanation of Limits and Monitoring Requirements" below.

PFAS: Monitoring is required annually pursuant to s. NR 204.06(2)(b)9, Wis. Adm. Code.

Explanation of Limits and Monitoring Requirements

Requirements for disposal, including land application of municipal sludge, are determined in accordance with ch. NR 204, Wis. Adm. Code. Ceiling and high-quality limits for metals in sludge are specified in s. NR 204.07(5), Wis. Adm. Code. Requirements for pathogens are specified in s. NR 204.07(6) and in s. NR 204.07(7), Wis. Adm. Code for vector attraction requirements. Limitations for PCBs are addressed in s. NR 204.07(3)(k), Wis. Adm. Code.

PFAS: The presence and fate of PFAS in municipal and industrial sludges is an emerging public health concern. EPA is currently developing a risk assessment to determine future land application rates and expects to release this risk assessment by the end of 2024. In the interim, the department has developed the "Interim Strategy for Land Application of Biosolids and Industrial Sludges Containing PFAS".

Collecting sludge data on PFAS concentrations from a wide range of wastewater treatment facilities will help protect public health from exposure to elevated levels of PFAS and determine the department's implementation of EPA's recommendations. To quantitate this risk, PFAS sampling has been included in the proposed WPDES permit pursuant to ss. NR 214.18(5)(b) and NR 204.06(2)(b)9, Wis. Adm. Code.

4 Schedules

4.1 PFOS/PFOA Minimization Plan Determination of Need

Required Action	Due Date
Report on Effluent Discharge: Submit a report on effluent PFOS and PFOA concentrations and include an analysis of trends in monthly and annual average PFOS and PFOA concentrations. This analysis should also include a comparison to the applicable narrative standard in s. NR 102.04(8)(d), Wis. Adm. Code.	12/31/2025
This report shall include all additional PFOS and PFOA data that may be collected including any influent, intake, in-plant, collection system sampling, and blank sample results.	

Report on Effluent Discharge and Evaluation of Need: Submit a final report on effluent PFOS and PFOA concentrations and include an analysis of trends in monthly and annual average PFOS and PFOA concentrations of data collected over the last 24 months. The report shall also provide a comparison on the likelihood of the facility needing to develop a PFOS/PFOA minimization plan.	12/31/2026
This report shall include all additional PFOS and PFOA data that may be collected including any influent, intake, in-plant, collection system sampling, and blank sample results.	
The permittee shall also submit a request to the department to evaluate the need for a PFOS/PFOA minimization plan.	
If the Department determines a PFOS/PFOA minimization plan is needed based on a reasonable potential evaluation, the permittee will be required to develop a minimization plan for Department approval no later than 90 days after written notification was sent from the Department. The Department will modify or revoke and reissue the permit to include PFOS/PFOA minimization plan reporting requirements along with a schedule of compliance to meet WQBELs. Effluent monitoring of PFOS and PFOA shall continue as specified in the permit until the modified permit is issued.	
If, however, the Department determines there is no reasonable potential for the facility to discharge PFOS or PFOA above the narrative standard in s. NR 102.04(8)(d), Wis. Adm. Code, no further action is required and effluent monitoring of PFOS and PFOA shall continue as specified in the permit.	

Explanation of Schedule

As stated above, NR 106 Subchapter VIII – Permit Requirements for PFOS and PFOA Dischargers became effective on August 1, 2022. S. NR 106.98, Wis. Adm. Code, specifies steps to generate data in order to determine the need for reducing PFOS and PFOA in the discharge. Data generated per the effluent monitoring requirements will be used to determine the need for developing a PFOS/PFOA minimization plan. As part of the schedule, the permittee is required to submit two annual Reports on Effluent Discharge.

If the Department determines that a minimization plan is needed, the permit will be modified or revoked/reissued to include additional requirements.

4.2 Land Application Management Plan

A management plan is required for the land application system.

Required Action	Due Date
Land Application Management Plan Submittal: Submit a management plan to optimize the land application system performance and demonstrate compliance with ch. NR 204, Wis. Adm. Code, by the Due Date. This management plan shall 1) specify information on pretreatment processes (if any); 2) identify land application sites; 3) describe site limitations; 4) address vegetative cover management and removal; 5) specify availability of storage; 6) describe the type of transporting and spreading vehicle(s); 7) specify monitoring procedures; 8) track site loading; 9) address contingency plans for adverse weather and odor/nuisance abatement; and 10) include any other pertinent information. Once approved, all landspreading activities shall be conducted in accordance with the plan. Any changes to the plan must be approved by the Department prior to implementing the changes.	12/31/2025

Explanation of Schedule

A land application management plan shall be submitted to the department for approval.

Attachments:

Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations for the Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility WPDES Permit No. WI-0060453-10-0, dated August 20, 2024

Justification Of Any Waivers From Permit Application Requirements

No waivers requested or granted as part of this permit reissuance.

Prepared By: BetsyJo Howe, Wastewater Specialist

Date: 9/16/2024; 10/09/2024; 10/29/2024

DATE:	August 20, 2024
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TO: BetsyJo Howe – SCR/Fitchburg

FROM: Sarah Luck – SCR/Fitchburg

SUBJECT: Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations for the Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility WPDES Permit No. WI-0060453-10-0

This is in response to your request for an evaluation of the need for water quality-based effluent limitations (WQBELs) using chapters NR 102, 104, 105, 106, 207, 210, 212, and 217 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code (where applicable), for the discharge from the Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility in Rock County. This municipal wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) discharges to the Rock River, located in the Rock River/Milton Watershed in the Lower Rock River Basin. The evaluation of the permit recommendations is discussed in more detail in the attached report.

Based on our review, the following recommendations are made on a chemical-specific basis at Outfall 001:

Parameter	Daily Maximum	Daily Minimum	Weekly Average	Monthly Average	Footnotes
Flow Rate					1
BOD ₅			45 mg/L	30 mg/L	2
TSS			45 mg/L	30 mg/L	2,3
pН	9.0 s.u.	6.0 s.u.			2
Ammonia Nitrogen	Variable		60 mg/L	60 mg/L	2,4,5
Bacteria					6
E. coli				126 #/100 mL geometric mean	
Phosphorus				1.0 mg/L	2,3
Chloride					7
PFOS and PFOA					8
TKN, Nitrate+Nitrite, and Total Nitrogen					9
Acute WET					10

Footnotes:

- 1. Monitoring only.
- 2. No changes from the current permit.
- 3. Additional phosphorus and TSS mass limitations are required in accordance with the wasteload allocations specified in the Rock River TMDL:

Month	Monthly Ave TSS Effluent Limit (lbs/day)	Weekly Ave TSS Effluent Limit (lbs/day)	Monthly Average Total P Limit (lbs/day)
Jan	154	217	57.4
Feb	170	240	82.4
March	154	217	56.4
April	157	221	35.3
May	154	217	52.9
June	157	221	12.3



Month	Monthly Ave TSS Effluent	Weekly Ave TSS Effluent	Monthly Average Total P Limit
	Limit (lbs/day)	Limit (lbs/day)	(lbs/day)
July	154	217	9.21
Aug	154	217	2.2
Sept	157	221	17.8
Oct	154	217	14.7
Nov	157	221	17.9
Dec	154	217	33.7

4. The variable daily maximum ammonia nitrogen limit table corresponding to various effluent pH values may be included in the permit in place of the single limit. These limits apply year-round.

Effluent pH s u	NH3-N Limit mg/L	Effluent pH s u	NH3-N Limit mg/L	Effluent pH	NH3-N Limit mg/L
5.u.	100	5.u.	ing/L		1.4
$6.0 < pH \le 6.1$	108	$7.0 < pH \le 7.1$	66	$8.0 < pH \le 8.1$	14
$6.1 < pH \le 6.2$	106	$7.1 < pH \leq 7.2$	59	$8.1 < pH \leq 8.2$	11
$6.2 < pH \leq 6.3$	104	$7.2 < pH \leq 7.3$	52	$8.2 < pH \leq 8.3$	9.4
$6.3 < pH \leq 6.4$	101	$7.3 < pH \leq 7.4$	46	$8.3 < pH \leq 8.4$	7.8
$6.4 < pH \le 6.5$	98	$7.4 < pH \leq 7.5$	40	$8.4 < pH \le 8.5$	6.4
$6.5 < pH \leq 6.6$	94	$7.5 < pH \leq 7.6$	34	$8.5 < pH \leq 8.6$	5.3
$6.6 < pH \le 6.7$	89	$7.6 < pH \leq 7.7$	29	$8.6 < pH \leq 8.7$	4.4
$6.7 < \mathrm{pH} \leq 6.8$	84	$7.7 < pH \leq 7.8$	24	$8.7 < pH \leq 8.8$	3.7
$6.8 < pH \le 6.9$	78	$7.8 < pH \le 7.9$	20	$8.8 < pH \le 8.9$	3.1
$6.9 < pH \le 7.0$	72	$7.9 < pH \le 8.0$	17	$8.9 < pH \le 9.0$	2.6

5. Additional limits to comply with the expression of limits requirements in ss. NR 106.07 and NR 205.065(7), Wis. Adm. Code, are included in bold.

- 6. Bacteria limits apply during the disinfection season of May through September. Additional limit: No more than 10 percent of *E. coli* bacteria samples collected in any calendar month may exceed 410 count/100 mL. A compliance schedule is not needed.
- 7. Monitoring in the fourth year of the permit term at a frequency to ensure that a minimum of 11 samples are available at the next permit issuance.
- 8. PFOS and PFOA monitoring is recommended at a frequency of once every two months.
- 9. As recommended in the Department's October 1, 2019 *Guidance for Total Nitrogen Monitoring in Wastewater Permits*, annual total nitrogen monitoring is recommended for all minor municipal permittees. Total Nitrogen is the sum of nitrate (NO₃), nitrite (NO₂), and total kjeldahl nitrogen (TKN) (all expressed as N).
- 10. Two acute WET tests are recommended. Sampling WET concurrently with any chemical-specific toxic substances is recommended. Tests should be done in rotating quarters, to collect seasonal information about this discharge and should continue after the permit expiration date (until the permit is reissued).

Please consult the attached report for details regarding the above recommendations. If there are any questions or comments, please contact Sarah Luck (Sarah.Luck@wisconsin.gov) or Diane Figiel (Diane.Figiel@wisconsin.gov).

Attachments (4) – Narrative, Site Map, Ammonia Nitrogen Calculations, and Thermal Table

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Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations for Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility

WPDES Permit No. WI-0060453-10-0

PART 1 – BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Facility Description

The Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility provides treatment to a combination of domestic, commercial, and industrial wastewater. Treatment process consists of an activated sludge system that is designed for nitrification (ammonia removal) and biological phosphorus removal in addition to the BOD removal. Alum is added for chemical polishing. Treatment units include raw wastewater screening, extended aeration activated sludge units, final clarifiers, and UV disinfection in the force main to the Rock River. Sludge is aerobically digested, thickened with a gravity belt thickener, and stored in liquid sludge storage tanks before being spread on DNR-approved agricultural fields.

Attachment #2 is a map of the area showing the approximate location of Outfall 001.

Existing Permit Limitations

The current permit, which expired on September 30, 2023, includes the following effluent limitations and monitoring requirements.

Parameter	Daily Maximum	Daily Minimum	Weekly Average	Monthly Average	Footnotes
Flow Rate					1
BOD ₅			45 mg/L	30 mg/L	2
TSS			45 mg/L	30 mg/L	2,3
pН	9.0 s.u.	6.0 s.u.			2
Ammonia Nitrogen	Variable		60 mg/L	60 mg/L	4,5
Fecal Coliform May – September			656#/100 mL geometric mean	400#/100 mL geometric mean	5
Residual Chlorine	38 µg/L		38 μg/L	38 μg/L	5,6
Phosphorus				1.0 mg/L	3
Chloride					1
Temperature					1
Acute WET					7
Chronic WET					7

Footnotes:

- 1. Monitoring only. Temperature monitoring was for 2022 only.
- 2. These limitations are not being evaluated as part of this review. Because the water quality criteria (WQC), reference effluent flow rates, and receiving water characteristics have not changed, limitations for these water quality characteristics do not need to be re-evaluated at this time.
- 3. Additional phosphorus and TSS mass limitations are required in accordance with the wasteload allocations specified in the Rock River TMDL:

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Month	Monthly Ave TSS Effluent Limit (lbs/day)	Weekly Ave TSS Effluent Limit (lbs/day)	Monthly Average Total P Limit (lbs/day)			
Jan	154	217	57.4			
Feb	170	240	82.4			
March	154	217	56.4			
April	157	221	35.3			
May	154	217	52.9			
June	157	221	12.3			
July	154	217	9.21			
Aug	154	217	2.2			
Sept	157	221	17.8			
Oct	154	217	14.7			
Nov	157	221	17.9			
Dec	154	217	33.7			

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4. The variable daily maximum ammonia nitrogen limit table corresponding to various effluent pH values may be included in the permit in place of the single limit. These limits apply year-round.

2	1	1			5.5
Effluent	NH3-N	Effluent	NH3-N	Effluent	NH3-N
рН	Limit	рН	Limit	рН	Limit
F	mg/I	р 6 П	mg/I	P	mg/I
s.u.	IIIg/L	s.u.	mg/L	s.u.	mg/L
$6.0 < pH \le 6.1$	108	$7.0 < pH \leq 7.1$	66	$8.0 < pH \leq 8.1$	14
$6.1 < pH \le 6.2$	106	$7.1 < pH \leq 7.2$	59	$8.1 < pH \leq 8.2$	11
$6.2 < pH \leq 6.3$	104	$7.2 < pH \leq 7.3$	52	$8.2 < pH \leq 8.3$	9.4
$6.3 < pH \le 6.4$	101	$7.3 < pH \leq 7.4$	46	$8.3 < pH \leq 8.4$	7.8
$6.4 < pH \le 6.5$	98	$7.4 < pH \leq 7.5$	40	$8.4 < pH \leq 8.5$	6.4
$6.5 < pH \leq 6.6$	94	$7.5 < pH \leq 7.6$	34	$8.5 < pH \leq 8.6$	5.3
$6.6 < pH \le 6.7$	89	$7.6 < pH \leq 7.7$	29	$8.6 < pH \leq 8.7$	4.4
$6.7 < pH \leq 6.8$	84	$7.7 < pH \leq 7.8$	24	$8.7 < pH \leq 8.8$	3.7
$6.8 < pH \le 6.9$	78	$7.8 < pH \leq 7.9$	20	$8.8 < pH \leq 8.9$	3.1
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5. Additional limits to comply with the expression of limits requirements in ss. NR 106.07 and NR 205.065(7), Wis. Adm. Code, are included in bold.

6. The facility was in process of replacing chlorine disinfection with a UV system. Once chlorine disinfection has been replaced with UV disinfection, chlorine monitoring is no longer necessary.

7. Two acute and two chronic WET tests were required.

Receiving Water Information

- Name: Rock River
- Waterbody Identification Code (WBIC): 788800
- Classification used in accordance with chs. NR 102 and 104, Wis. Adm. Code: Warm Water Sport Fish (WWSF) community, non-public water supply
- Low Flow: The following 7-Q₁₀ and 7-Q₂ values are from Indianford Dam, upstream of Outfall 001. These flows were provided to the department from USGS in 2003. The Harmonic Mean has been estimated as recommended in *State of Wisconsin Water Quality Rules Implementation Plan* (Publ. WT-511-98)

 $7-Q_{10} = 140$ cfs (cubic feet per second)

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 $7-Q_2 = 290 \text{ cfs}$ 90-Q₁₀ = 246.5 cfs Harmonic Mean Flow = 609 cfs

- Hardness = 270 mg/L as CaCO₃. This value represents the geometric mean of data (n=2) from 06/06/20 and 07/26/22 WET tests conducted by Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility.
- % of low flow used to calculate limits in accordance with s. NR 106.06(4)(c)5., Wis. Adm. Code: 25%
- Source of background concentration data: Metals data from the Rock River at Afton are used for this evaluation. The numerical values are shown in the tables below. If no data is available, the background concentration is assumed to be negligible and a value of zero is used in the computations. Background data for calculating effluent limitations for ammonia nitrogen are described later.
- Multiple dischargers: The Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility discharges at an annual average design flow of 0.625 MGD in a shared outfall with Consolidated Koshkonong Sanitary District. The combined flow from these two facilities (1.394 MGD) is used to calculate the water quality based effluent limits. Additionally, Edgerton Wastewater Treatment Facility's outfall is located approximately 1.3 miles downstream but does not impact this evaluation.
- Impaired water status: The Rock River is listed as impaired for total phosphorus and total suspended solids at the point of discharge and has an EPA-approved TMDL in effect.

Effluent Information

- Flow rate:
 - Design annual average = 0.625 MGD (Million Gallons per Day) Since Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility and Consolidated Koshkonong Sanitary District share an outfall, **the combined design annual average flow rate of 1.394 MGD** (0.769 MGD + 0.625 MGD at Milton) **is used in the calculation of limits.**
 - For reference, the actual average flow from October 2018 through May 2024 was 0.311 MGD.
- Hardness = 342 mg/L as CaCO₃. This value represents the geometric mean of data (n=4) from March 2023 reported on the permit application.
- Acute dilution factor used in accordance with s. NR 106.06(3)(c), Wis. Adm. Code: Not applicable this facility does not have an approved Zone of Initial Dilution (ZID).
- Water source: Domestic and commercial wastewater with water supply from wells with industrial sources from Handy Art (paint formulating), Clasen Quality Chocolates (chocolatier), Evonik (chemical manufacturer), Cargill Animal Nutrition (animal feed manufacturing), United Ethanol (grain ethanol production), Freedom Graphics (ink formulating for direct mail printing), and two car washes.
- Additives: Alum (phosphorus removal).
- Effluent characterization: This facility is categorized as a minor municipality, so the permit application required effluent sample analyses for a limited number of common pollutants, as specified in s. NR 200.065, Table 1, Wis. Adm. Code, primarily metal substances plus ammonia, chloride, hardness, and phosphorus.
- Effluent data for substances for which a single sample was analyzed is shown in the tables in Part 2 below, in the column titled "MEAN EFFL. CONC.". Otherwise, substances with multiple effluent data are shown in the tables below or in their respective parts in this evaluation.

Copper Endent Data							
Sample Date	Copper (µg/L)	Sample Date	Copper (µg/L)	Sample Date	Copper (µg/L)		
02/21/23	17.6	03/05/23	12.9	03/17/23	23.7		
02/24/23	15.4	03/08/23	13.4	03/20/23	16.0		
02/27/23	14.8	03/11/23	11.0	03/23/23	14.1		
03/02/23	11.5	03/14/23	25.7				
$1 - \text{day P}_{99} = 30.1 \ \mu\text{g/L}$							
$4 - \text{day P}_{99} = 22.3 \ \mu\text{g/L}$							

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Chloride Effluent Data

Sample Date	Chloride (mg/L)	Sample Date	Chloride (mg/L)	Sample Date	Chloride (mg/L)	
01/11/22	426	05/04/22	397	09/01/22	375	
02/04/22	486	06/01/22	440	10/04/22	409	
03/01/22	548	07/06/22	419	11/08/22	366	
04/04/22	443	08/01/22	399	12/12/22	423	
$1 \text{-day P}_{99} = 556 \text{ mg/L}$						
$4 - day P_{99} = 488 mg/L$						

The following table presents the average concentrations and loadings at Outfall 001 from October 2018 through May 2024 for all parameters with limits in the current permit to meet the requirements of s. NR 201.03(6), Wis. Adm. Code:

	Average Measurement	Average Mass Discharged	
BOD ₅	3 mg/L*		
TSS	3 mg/L*	7 lbs/day*	
pH field	7.34 s.u.		
Phosphorus	0.19 mg/L	0.61 lbs/day	
Ammonia Nitrogen	0.25 mg/L*		
Fecal Coliform	1#/100 mL		

Parameter Averages with Limits

*Results below the level of detection (LOD) were included as zeroes in calculation of average.

PART 2 – WATER QUALITY-BASED EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES – EXCEPT AMMONIA NITROGEN

Permit limits for toxic substances are required whenever any of the following occur:

- 1. The maximum effluent concentration exceeds the calculated limit (s. NR 106.05(3), Wis. Adm. Code)
- 2. If 11 or more detected results are available in the effluent, the upper 99th percentile (or P₉₉) value exceeds the comparable calculated limit (s. NR 106.05(4), Wis. Adm. Code)
- 3. If fewer than 11 detected results are available, the mean effluent concentration exceeds 1/5 of the calculated limit (s. NR 106.05(6), Wis. Adm. Code)

Acute Limits based on 1-Q₁₀

Daily maximum effluent limitations for toxic substances are based on the acute toxicity criteria (ATC), listed in ch. NR 105, Wis. Adm. Code. Previously daily maximum limits for toxic substances were

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calculated as two times the ATC. However, changes to ch. NR 106, Wis. Code, (September 1, 2016) require the Department to calculate acute limitations using the same mass balance equation as used for other limits along with the 1-Q₁₀ receiving water low flow to determine if more restrictive effluent limitations are needed to protect the receiving stream from discharges which may cause or contribute to an exceedance of the acute water quality standards. The mass balance equation is provided below.

$$Limitation = (WQC) (Qs + (1-f) Qe) - (Qs - f Qe) (Cs)$$

Where:

- WQC = Acute toxicity criterion or secondary acute value according to ch. NR 105, Wis. Adm. Code.
- Qs = average minimum 1-day flow which occurs once in 10 years (1-day Q_{10})

if the 1-day Q_{10} flow data is not available = 80% of the average minimum 7-day flow which occurs once in 10 years (7-day Q_{10}).

Qe = Effluent flow (in units of volume per unit time) as specified in s. NR 106.06(4)(d), Wis. Adm. Code.

f = Fraction of the effluent flow that is withdrawn from the receiving water, and

Cs = Background concentration of the substance (in units of mass per unit volume) as specified in s. NR 106.06(4)(e), Wis. Adm. Code.

If the receiving water is effluent dominated under low stream flow conditions, the $1-Q_{10}$ method of limit calculation produces the most stringent daily maximum limitations and should be used while making reasonable potential determinations. This is/is not the case for Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility, and the limits are set based on two times the acute toxicity criteria.

The following tables list the calculated WQBELs for this discharge along with the results of effluent sampling. All concentrations are expressed in terms of micrograms per Liter ($\mu g/L$), except for hardness and chloride (mg/L).

Daily Maximum Limits based on Acute Toxicity Criteria (ATC)

RECEIVING WATER FLOW = 112 cfs, $(1-Q_{10})$ (estimated as 80% of $7-Q_{10}$), as specified in s. NR 106.06(3)(bm), Wis. Adm. Code.

SUBSTANCE	REF. HARD.* mg/L	ATC	MAX. EFFL. LIMIT**	1/5 OF EFFL. LIMIT	MEAN EFFL. CONC.	1-day P ₉₉	1-day MAX. CONC.
Arsenic		340	679.6	135.9	<7.7		
Cadmium	342	42.2	84.4	16.9	< 0.41		
Chromium	301	4446	8891.7	1778	<1.1		
Copper	342	49.5	98.9			30.1	25.7
Lead	342	351	701.0	140.2	<1.4		
Nickel	268	1080	2160.6	432	37.7		
Zinc	333	345	689.4	137.9	58.9		
Chloride (mg/L)		757	1514.0			556	548

* The indicated hardness may differ from the effluent hardness because the effluent hardness exceeded the maximum range in ch. NR 105, Wis. Adm. Code, over which the acute criteria are applicable. In that case, the maximum of the range is used to calculate the criterion.

* * The 2 × ATC method of limit calculation yields a more restrictive limit than consideration of ambient concentrations and 1-Q₁₀ flow rates per the changes to s. NR 106.07(3), Wis. Adm. Code, effective 09/01/2016.

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CERVING WATER FLOW = 55 cls (4 of the $^{-}Q_{10}$), as specified in s. NR 100.00(4)(c), wis. Addi. Code							
	REF.		MEAN	WEEKLY	1/5 OF	MEAN	
	HARD.*	CTC	BACK-	AVE.	EFFL.	EFFL.	4-day
SUBSTANCE	mg/L		GRD.	LIMIT	LIMIT	CONC.	P99
Arsenic		152.2	1.31	2601	520.1	<7.7	
Cadmium	175	3.82	0.017	65.53	13.1	< 0.41	
Chromium	270	298.00	0.79	5121	1024.2	<1.1	
Copper	270	24.21	2.1	383.0			22.3
Lead	270	73.12	0.83	1246.2	249.2	<1.4	
Nickel	268	120.18	1.3	2049	409.9	37.7	
Zinc	270	286.92	5.2	4858	971.7	58.9	
Chloride (mg/L)		395	61.8	5802			488

Weekly Average Limits based on Chronic Toxicity Criteria (CTC) RECEIVING WATER FLOW = 35 cfs ($\frac{1}{4}$ of the 7-Q₁₀) as specified in s. NR 106 06(4)(c). Wis Adm. Code

* The indicated hardness may differ from the receiving water hardness because the receiving water hardness exceeded the maximum range in ch. NR 105, Wis. Adm. Code, over which the chronic criteria are applicable. In that case, the maximum of the range is used to calculate the criterion.

Monthly Average Limits based on Wildlife Criteria (WC)

The effluent characterization did not include any effluent sampling results for substances for which Wildlife Criteria exist.

Monthly Average Limits based on Human Threshold Criteria (HTC)

RECEIVING WATER FLOW = 152 cfs (1/4 of Harmonic Mean), as specified in s. NR 106.06(4), Wis. Adm. Code.

		MEAN	MO'LY	1/5 OF	MEAN
	HTC	BACK-	AVE.	EFFL.	EFFL.
SUBSTANCE		GRD.	LIMIT	LIMIT	CONC.
Cadmium	370	0.017	26488	5297.7	< 0.41
Chromium (+3)	3818000	0.79	273344456	54668891	<1.1
Lead	140	0.83	9965	1992.9	<1.4
Nickel	43000	1.3	3078435	615687	37.7

Monthly Average Limits based on Human Cancer Criteria (HCC)

RECEIVING WATER FLOW = 152 cfs (1/4 of Harmonic Mean), as specified in s. NR 106.06(4), Wis. Adm. Code.

		MEAN	MO'LY	1/5 OF	MEAN
	HCC	BACK-	AVE.	EFFL.	EFFL.
SUBSTANCE		GRD.	LIMIT	LIMIT	CONC.
Arsenic	13.3	1.31	859.7	171.94	<7.7

In addition to evaluating the need for limits for each individual substance for which HCC exist, s. NR 106.06(8), Wis. Adm. Code, requires the evaluation of the cumulative cancer risk. Because no effluent limits are needed based on HCC, determination of the cumulative cancer risk is not needed per s. NR 106.06(8), Wis. Adm. Code.

Conclusions and Recommendations

Based on a comparison of the effluent data and calculated effluent limitations, **no effluent limitations are required.**

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<u>Chloride</u> – Considering available effluent data (January to December 2022), the 1-day P₉₉ chloride concentration is 556 mg/L, and the 4-day P₉₉ of effluent data is 488 mg/L. These effluent concentrations are below the calculated WQBELs for chloride; therefore, **no effluent limits are needed. Chloride monitoring is recommended at a frequency to ensure that 11 sample results are available at the next permit issuance** to meet the data requirements of s. NR 106.85, Wis. Adm. Code.

<u>Mercury</u> – The permit application did not require monitoring for mercury because the Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility is categorized as a minor facility as defined in s. NR 200.02(8), Wis. Adm. Code. In accordance with s. NR 106.145(3)(a)3, Wis. Adm. Code, a minor municipal discharger shall monitor, and report results of influent and effluent mercury monitoring once every three months if, "there are two or more exceedances in the last five years of the high-quality sludge mercury concentration of 17 mg/kg specified in s. NR 204.07(5), Wis. Adm. Code." A review of the past five years of sludge characteristics data reveals that all the sample results are within expected analytical ranges and well below the 17 mg/kg level. The average concentration in the sludge from September 2018 through August 2023 (n=6) was 0.77 mg/kg, with a maximum reported concentration of 2.2 mg/kg. Therefore, **no mercury monitoring is recommended at Outfall 001.**

<u>PFOS and PFOA</u> – The need for PFOS and PFOA monitoring is evaluated in accordance with s. NR 106.98(2), Wis. Adm. Code. Previous monitoring produced a PFOS result of 0.920 ng/L and a PFOA result of 2.18 ng/L. These results are less than one fifth of the respective criteria for each substance. Based on the types of indirect dischargers contributing to the collection system, **PFOS and PFOA monitoring is recommended at a frequency of once every two months.**

PART 3 – WATER QUALITY-BASED EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS FOR AMMONIA NITROGEN

The State of Wisconsin promulgated revised water quality standards for ammonia nitrogen in ch. NR 105, Wis. Adm. Code, effective March 1, 2004 which includes criteria based on both acute and chronic toxicity to aquatic life. The current permit has daily maximum, weekly average, and monthly average limits. These limits are re-evaluated at this time due to the following changes:

- Subchapter IV of ch. NR 106, Wis. Adm. Code allows limits based on available dilution instead of limits set to twice the acute criteria.
- The maximum expected effluent pH has changed.

Daily Maximum Limits based on Acute Toxicity Criteria (ATC)

Daily maximum limitations are based on acute toxicity criteria in ch. NR 105, Wis. Adm. Code, which are a function of the effluent pH and the receiving water classification. The acute toxicity criterion (ATC) for ammonia is calculated using the following equation:

ATC in mg/L = $[A \div (1 + 10^{(7.204 - pH)})] + [B \div (1 + 10^{(pH - 7.204)})]$

Where:

A = 0.411 and B = 58.4 for a Warm Water Sport fishery, and pH (s.u.) = that characteristic of the <u>effluent</u>.

The effluent pH data was examined as part of this evaluation. A total of 2070 sample results were reported from October 2018 through May 2024. The maximum reported value was 7.79 s.u. (Standard pH Units). The effluent pH was 7.64 s.u. or less 99% of the time. The 1-day P₉₉, calculated in accordance

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with s. NR 106.05(5), Wis. Adm. Code, is 7.67 s.u. The mean plus the standard deviation multiplied by a factor of 2.33, an estimate of the upper ninety ninth percentile for a normally distributed dataset, is 7.67 s.u. Therefore, a value of 7.67 s.u. is believed to represent the maximum reasonably expected pH, and therefore most appropriate for determining daily maximum limitations for ammonia nitrogen. Substituting a value of 7.67 s.u. into the equation above yields an ATC = 15.19 mg/L.

Daily Maximum Ammonia Nitrogen Effluent Limitations Calculation Method

In accordance with s. NR 106.32(2), Wis. Adm. Code, daily maximum ammonia limitations are calculated using the 1- Q_{10} receiving water low flow if it is determined that the previous method of acute ammonia limit calculation (2×ATC) is not sufficiently protective of the fish and aquatic life. The more restrictive calculated limits shall apply.

The calculated daily maximum ammonia nitrogen effluent limits using the mass balance approach with the 1-Q₁₀ (estimated as 80 % of 7-Q₁₀) and the $2 \times ATC$ approach are shown below.

Daily Maximum Ammonia Nitrogen Determination

	Ammonia Nitrogen Limit mg/L
2×ATC	30
1-Q ₁₀	802

The 2×ATC method yields the most stringent limits for Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility.

The current permit has variable daily maximum effluent limits based on effluent pH, presented below.

Effluent pH s.u.	Limit mg/L	Effluent pH s.u.	Limit mg/L	Effluent pH s.u.	Limit mg/L	
$6.0 \le pH \le 6.1$	108	$7.0 < pH \leq 7.1$	66	$8.0 < pH \leq 8.1$	14	
$6.1 < pH \le 6.2$	106	$7.1 < pH \leq 7.2$	59	$8.1 < pH \leq 8.2$	11	
$6.2 < pH \leq 6.3$	104	$7.2 < pH \leq 7.3$	52	$8.2 < pH \leq 8.3$	9.4	
$6.3 < pH \leq 6.4$	101	$7.3 < pH \leq 7.4$	46	$8.3 < pH \leq 8.4$	7.8	
$6.4 < pH \le 6.5$	98	$7.4 < pH \leq 7.5$	40	$8.4 < pH \leq 8.5$	6.4	
$6.5 < pH \leq 6.6$	94	$7.5 < pH \leq 7.6$	34	$8.5 < pH \leq 8.6$	5.3	
$6.6 < pH \leq 6.7$	89	$7.6 < pH \leq 7.7$	29	$8.6 < pH \leq 8.7$	4.4	
$6.7 < pH \leq 6.8$	84	$7.7 < pH \leq 7.8$	24	$8.7 < pH \leq 8.8$	3.7	
$6.8 < pH \le 6.9$	78	$7.8 < pH \le 7.9$	20	$8.8 < pH \le 8.9$	3.1	
$6.9 < pH \leq 7.0$	72	$7.9 < pH \leq 8.0$	17	$8.9 < pH \le 9.0$	2.6	

Daily Maximum Ammonia Nitrogen Limits – WWSF

Weekly and Monthly Average Limits based on Chronic Toxicity Criteria (CTC) The weekly and monthly average ammonia nitrogen limits calculation from the previous memo do not change because there have been no changes in the effluent or receiving water flow rates. The calculations from the previous WQBEL memo are shown in Attachment #3.

Effluent Data

The following table evaluates the statistics based upon ammonia data reported from October 2018 through May 2024, with those results being compared to the calculated limits to determine the need to include ammonia limits in the Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility permit. That need is determined by calculating 99th upper percentile (or P₉₉) values for ammonia and comparing the daily maximum values to the daily maximum limit.

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	Ammonia Nitrogen			
	mg/L			
1-day P ₉₉	5.53			
4-day P ₉₉	3.88			
30-day P ₉₉	1.85			
Mean*	0.37			
Std	2.69			
Sample size	886 (376 ND)			
Range	<0.05 - 25.19			

Ammonia	Nitrogen	Effluent Data
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*"<" means that the pollutant was not detected at the indicated level of detection. The mean concentration was calculated using zero in place of the non-detected (ND) result.

Based on this comparison, there is no reasonable potential for the discharge to exceed any of the calculated ammonia nitrogen limits. However, since the permit currently has daily maximum, weekly average, and monthly average limits, the limits must be retained regardless of reasonable potential, consistent with s. NR 106.33(1)(b), Wis. Adm. Code:

(b) If a permittee is subject to an ammonia limitation in an existing permit, the limitation shall be included in any reissued permit. Ammonia limitations shall be included in the permit if the permitted facility will be providing treatment for ammonia discharges.

Conclusions and Recommendations

In summary, after rounding to two significant figures, the following ammonia nitrogen limitations are recommended. No mass limitations are recommended in accordance with s. NR 106.32(5), Wis. Adm Code.

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	Daily	Weekly	Monthly		
	Maximum	Average	Average		
	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L		
Year-round	Variable	60	60		

Final Ammonia Nitrogen Limits

Additional limits to meet the requirements in s. NR 106.07, Wis. Adm Code, are denoted in bold text.

PART 4 – WATER QUALITY-BASED EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS FOR BACTERIA

On May 1, 2020, revisions to chs. NR 102 and NR 210, Wis. Adm. Codes, became effective which replace fecal coliform limits with new *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*) limits for protection of recreational uses. Section NR 210.06(2)(a)1, Wis. Adm. Code, includes two limits which must be included in permits for facilities which are required to disinfect:

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- 1. The geometric mean of *E. coli* bacteria in effluent samples collected in any calendar month may not exceed 126 counts/100 mL.
- 2. No more than 10 percent of *E. coli* bacteria samples collected in any calendar month may exceed 410 counts/100 mL.

E. coli monitoring is recommended at the same frequency that fecal coliform monitoring is required in the current permit. Since Milton's permit requires weekly monitoring, the 410 counts/100 mL limit will effectively function as a daily maximum limit unless the facility performs additional monitoring. Any additional monitoring beyond what is required by the permit must also be reported on the DMR as required in the standard requirements section of the permit.

These limits are required during May through September. No changes are recommended to the current recreational period and the required disinfection season.

Effluent Data

Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility has monitored effluent *E. coli* from July through September 2022, July 2023, and May 2024. A geometric mean of 126 counts/100 mL was not exceeded, and the maximum monthly geometric mean (n=22) was 14 counts/100 mL. The maximum reported value was 15 counts/100 mL. Based on this effluent data, it appears that **the facility can meet new** *E. coli* **limits, and no compliance schedule is recommended in the reissued permit.**

PART 5 – PHOSPHORUS AND TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS

Phosphorus Technology-Based Effluent Limit

Subchapter II of Chapter NR 217, Wis. Adm. Code, requires municipal wastewater treatment facilities that discharge greater than 150 pounds of total phosphorus per month to comply with a monthly average limit of 1.0 mg/L, or an approved alternative concentration limit.

Since Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility currently has a monthly average limit of 1.0 mg/L, this limit should be retained in the reissued permit.

In addition, the need for a WQBEL for phosphorus must be considered.

Phosphorus Water Quality-Based Effluent Limits (WQBEL)

Revisions to administrative rules regulating phosphorus took effect on December 1, 2010. These rule revisions include additions to ch. NR 102 (s. NR 102.06), Wis. Adm. Code, which establish phosphorus standards for surface waters. Revisions to ch. NR 217 (s. NR 217, Subchapter III), Wis. Adm. Code, establish procedures for determining water quality based effluent limits for phosphorus, based on the applicable standards in ch. NR 102, Wis. Adm. Code.

The Department has developed a TMDL for the Upper and Lower Rock River Basins. The US EPA approved the Rock River TMDL on September 28, 2011. The document, along with the referenced appendices can be found at: <u>https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/TMDLs/RockRiver/index.html</u>.

Section NR 217.16, Wis. Adm. Code, states that the Department may include a TMDL-derived water quality based effluent limit (WQBEL) for phosphorus in addition to, or in lieu of, a s. NR 217.13, Wis. Adm. Code, WQBEL in a WPDES permit. Since the Rock River Basin TMDL was developed to protect and improve the water quality of phosphorus-impaired waters within the basin and the discharge from the

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Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility flows directly into the Rock River, which is classified as phosphorus-impaired, the TMDL-based limit can be included in the WPDES permit absent the s. NR 217.13, Wis. Adm. Code, WQBEL. This limit should be expressed in a manner consistent with the wasteload allocation and assumptions of the TMDL. If after two permit terms, the Department determines the nonpoint source load allocation has not been substantially reduced, the Department may include the s. NR 217.13, Wis. Adm. Code, WQBEL unless these reductions are likely to occur.

Phosphorus TMDL Limits

The monthly average total phosphorus (Total P) effluent limits in lbs/day are calculated based on the monthly phosphorus wasteload allocation (WLA) given in pounds per month as suggested in the TMDL Development and Implementation Guidance: Integrating the WPDES and Impaired Waters Programs dated April 15, 2013. The WLA for this facility is found in the Total Maximum Daily Loads for Total Phosphorus and Total Suspended Solids in the Rock River Basin report dated July 2011. The limits are equivalent to concentrations ranging from 0.4 mg/L to 16 mg/L at the design flow of 0.625 MGD. Monthly average mass effluent limits in accordance with the following table are recommended for this discharge.

Month	Monthly Total P WLA ¹ (lbs./month)	Days Per Month	Monthly Ave Total P Effluent Limit ² (lbs./day)	Equivalent Conc Limit for informational purposes only (mg/L)
Jan	1779.43	31	57.4	11
Feb	2305.93	28	82.4	16
March	1749.28	31	56.4	11
April	1060.34	30	35.3	6.8
May	1639.66	31	52.9	10
June	369.36	30	12.3	2.4
July	285.36	31	9.21	1.8
Aug	68.1	31	2.2	0.4
Sept	533.51	30	17.8	3.4
Oct	457.22	31	14.7	2.8
Nov	535.76	30	17.9	3.4
Dec	1044.39	31	33.7	6.5

Fotal Ph	osphorus	Effluent	Limitations
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Footnotes:

1- Rock River TMDL Appendix P. Monthly Total Phosphorus Allocations by Wastewater Treatment Facility (p. 147) 2- Monthly average Total P effluent limit (lbs./day) = monthly Total P WLA (lbs./month) ÷ days per month

For informational purposes, the following table lists the statistics for total phosphorus in the discharge as concentration and mass from October 2018 through May 2024.

I otal Phosphorus Effluent Data					
mg/L lbs/day					
1-day P ₉₉	1.86	3.84			
4-day P ₉₉	1.04	2.16			
30-day P ₉₉	0.44	0.91			

Total	Phosphorus	Effluent Data
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	mg/L	lbs/day
Mean*	0.19	0.61
Std	0.52	1.08
Sample Size	887 (341 ND)	887
Range	<0.098 - 6.674	0 - 16.921

*"<" means that the pollutant was not detected at the indicated level of detection. The mean concentration was calculated using zero in place of the non-detected (ND) result.

TSS TMDL Limits

Weekly average and monthly average mass effluent limitations should be included in the permit according to the table below in addition to the weekly average and monthly average concentration limits. For reference, the mass limits shown are equivalent to concentrations ranging from 30 - 33 mg/L as a monthly average and 42 - 46 mg/L as a weekly average at the design annual average flow of 0.625 MGD.

Month	Monthly TSS WLA ¹ (tons/month)	Days Per Month	Monthly Ave TSS Effluent Limit ² (lbs/day)	Weekly Ave TSS Effluent Limit ³ (lbs/day)
Jan	2.38	31	154	217
Feb	2.38	28	170	240
March	2.38	31	154	217
April	2.36	30	157	221
May	2.38	31	154	217
June	2.36	30	157	221
July	2.38	31	154	217
Aug	2.38	31	154	217
Sept	2.36	30	157	221
Oct	2.38	31	154	217
Nov	2.36	30	157	221
Dec	2.38	31	154	217

Total Suspended Solids Effluent Limitations

Footnotes:

1- Rock River TMDL Appendix Q. Monthly Total Suspended Solids Allocations by Wastewater Treatment Facility (p. 149)

2- Monthly average TSS effluent limit (lbs/day) = maximum monthly TSS WLA (tons/month) \div days per month x 2,000 lbs/ton 3- Weekly average effluent limit (lbs/day) = monthly average limit (lbs/day) x multiplier

Since Milton is meeting the current monthly limits, the limits will not be recalculated at this time.

Effluent Data

Limits based on a WLA should be given in a permit regardless of reasonable potential. However, for informational purposes, the following table summarizes effluent TSS monitoring data from October 2018 through May 2024.

	mg/L	lbs/day
1-day P ₉₉	9	29
4-day P ₉₉	6	16
30-day P ₉₉	4	10

Total Suspended Solids Effluent Data

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	mg/L	lbs/day					
Mean*	3	7					
Std	2	6					
Sample size	884 (212 ND)	884					
Range	<2 - 14	0 - 38					

*"<" means that the pollutant was not detected at the indicated level of detection. The mean concentration was calculated using zero in place of the non-detected (ND) result.

PART 6 – WATER QUALITY-BASED EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS FOR THERMAL

Surface water quality standards for temperature took effect on October 1, 2010. These regulations are detailed in chs. NR 102 (Subchapter II – Water Quality Standards for Temperature) and NR 106 (Subchapter V – Effluent Limitations for Temperature) of the Wisconsin Administrative Code. Daily maximum and weekly average temperature criteria are available for the 12 different months of the year depending on the receiving water classification.

In accordance with s. NR 106.53(2)(b), Wis. Adm. Code, the highest daily maximum flow rate for a calendar month is used to determine the acute (daily maximum) effluent limitation. In accordance with s. NR 106.53(2)(c), Wis. Adm. Code, the highest 7-day rolling average flow rate for a calendar month is used to determine the sub-lethal (weekly average) effluent limitation. These values were based off the combined actual flow reported from October 2018 through May 2024 from both Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility and Consolidated Koshkonong Wastewater Treatment Facility.

The table below summarizes the maximum temperatures reported during monitoring from January 2022 through December 2022.

	Representat Monthly Tempo	tive Highest Effluent erature	Calculated Effluent Limit		
Month	Weekly Daily Maximum Maximum		Weekly Average Effluent Limitation	Daily Maximum Effluent Limitation	
	(°F)	(°F)	(°F)	(°F)	
JAN	56	59	-	120	
FEB	53	55	-	120	
MAR	55	56	-	120	
APR	62	65	-	120	
MAY	66	68	-	120	
JUN	74	75	-	120	
JUL	75	76	-	120	
AUG	74	76	-	120	
SEP	73	75	-	120	
OCT	66	70	-	120	
NOV	63	67	-	120	

Monthly Temperature Effluent Data & Limits

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	Representat Monthly Tempo	tive Highest Effluent erature	Calculated Effluent Limit					
Month	Weekly Maximum	Daily Maximum	Weekly Average Effluent	Daily Maximum Effluent				
	(°F) (°F)		(°F)	(°F)				
DEC	57	59	-	120				

Due to the amount of upstream flow available for dilution in the limit calculation (Qs:Qe >20:1) and based on the available thermal effluent data, **no effluent limits or monitoring are recommended for temperature**. The complete thermal table used for the limit calculation is provided in Attachment #4.

PART 7 – WHOLE EFFLUENT TOXICITY (WET)

WET testing is used to measure, predict, and control the discharge of toxic materials that may be harmful to aquatic life. In WET tests, organisms are exposed to a series of effluent concentrations for a given time and effects are recorded. Decisions below related to the selection of representative data and the need for WET limits were made according to ss. NR 106.08 and 106.09, Wis. Adm. Code. WET monitoring frequency and toxicity reduction evaluation (TRE) recommendations were made using the best professional judgment of staff familiar with the discharge after consideration of the guidance in the *Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) Program Guidance Document* (2022).

- Acute tests predict the concentration that causes lethality of aquatic organisms during a 48 to 96-hour exposure. To assure that a discharge is not acutely toxic to organisms in the receiving water, WET tests must produce a statistically valid LC₅₀ (Lethal Concentration to 50% of the test organisms) greater than 100% effluent, according to s. NR 106.09(2)(b), Wis. Adm Code.
- Chronic tests predict the concentration that interferes with the growth or reproduction of test organisms during a seven-day exposure. To assure that a discharge is not chronically toxic to organisms in the receiving water, WET tests must produce a statistically valid IC₂₅ (Inhibition Concentration) greater than the instream waste concentration (IWC), according to s. NR 106.09(3)(b), Wis. Adm Code. The IWC is an estimate of the proportion of effluent to total volume of water (receiving water + effluent). The IWC of 6% shown in the WET Checklist summary below was calculated according to the following equation, as specified in s. NR 106.03(6), Wis. Adm Code:

IWC (as %) =
$$Q_e \div \{(1 - f) Q_e + Q_s\} \times 100$$

Where:

 Q_e = annual average flow = 1.394 MGD = 2.157 cfs

f = fraction of the Q_e withdrawn from the receiving water = 0

 $Q_s = \frac{1}{4}$ of the 7- $Q_{10} = 140$ cfs $\div 4 = 35$ cfs

The IWC of 6% is higher than the previously calculated IWC of 2.7% since the previous IWC did not consider the combined effluent flow rate at the outfall.

NOTE: Although chronic testing is usually not recommended where the ratio of the 7-Q10 to the effluent flow exceeds 100:1 (for Milton Wastewater Treatment Facility's portion of the discharge,

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that ratio is approximately 144:1), the combined flow discharge ratio is approximately 65:1. Therefore, the need for chronic testing is evaluated.

- According to the *State of Wisconsin Aquatic Life Toxicity Testing Methods Manual* (s. NR 219.04, Table A, Wis. Adm. Code), a synthetic (standard) laboratory water may be used as the dilution water and primary control in acute WET tests, unless the use of different dilution water is approved by the Department prior to use. The primary control water must be specified in the WPDES permit.
- Shown below is a tabulation of all available WET data for Outfall 001. Efforts are made to ensure that decisions about WET monitoring and limits are made based on representative data, as specified in s. NR 106.08(3), Wis. Adm Code. Data which is not believed to be representative of the discharge was not included in reasonable potential calculations. The table below differentiates between tests used and not used when making WET determinations.

Tests conducted prior to July 1, 2005 are not presented in the table below due to significant changes that were made to WET test methods in 2004. These changes were assumed to be fully implemented by certified labs by no later than June 2005. Data collected before July 1, 2005 do not show repeated toxicity that was never resolved and is not the only data that is available.

		Acute	Results		Chronic Results				
Date		LC ₅₀ %				IC ₂₅ %			
Test Initiated	C. dubia	Fathead minnow	Pass or Fail?	Used in RP?	C. dubia	Fathead Minnow	Pass or Fail?	Use in RP?	
05/13/2015	>100	>100	Pass	Yes	-	-	-	-	
01/20/2016	>100	>100	Pass	Yes	-	-	-	-	
08/16/2017	>100	>100	Pass	Yes	-	-	-	-	
06/09/2020	>100	>100	Pass	Yes	>100	>100	Pass	Yes	
07/26/2022	>100	>100	Pass	Yes	>100	>100	Pass	Yes	

WET Data History

• According to s. NR 106.08, Wis. Adm. Code, WET reasonable potential is determined by multiplying the highest toxicity value that has been measured in the effluent by a safety factor, to predict the likelihood (95% probability) of toxicity occurring in the effluent above the applicable WET limit. The safety factor used in the equation changes based on the number of toxicity detects in the dataset. The fewer detects present, the higher the safety factor, because there is more uncertainty surrounding the predicted value. WET limits must be given, according to s. NR 106.08(6), Wis. Adm. Code, whenever the applicable Reasonable Potential equation results in a value greater than 1.0.

According to s. NR 106.08(6)(d), Wis. Adm. Code, TUa and TUc effluent values are equal to zero whenever toxicity is not detected (i.e., when the LC₅₀, IC₂₅ or IC₅₀ \geq 100%).

Acute Reasonable Potential = 0 < 1.0, reasonable potential is not shown, and **an acute WET limit is not required.**

Chronic Reasonable Potential = 0 < 1.0, reasonable potential is not shown, and **a chronic WET limit** is not required.

The WET checklist was developed to help DNR staff make recommendations regarding WET limits,

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monitoring, and other related permit conditions. The checklist indicates whether acute and chronic WET limits are needed, based on requirements specified in s. NR 106.08, Wis. Adm. Code. The checklist steps the user through a series of questions, assesses points based on the potential for effluent toxicity, and suggests monitoring frequencies based on points accumulated during the checklist analysis. As toxicity potential increases, more points accumulate, and more monitoring is recommended to ensure that toxicity is not occurring. A summary of the WET checklist analysis completed for this permittee is shown in the table below. Staff recommendations based on best professional judgment are provided below the summary table. For guidance related to reasonable potential and the WET checklist, see Chapter 1.3 of the WET Guidance Document: https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Wastewater/WET.html.

	Acute	Chronic
	Not Applicable.	IWC = 6%
	0 Points	0 Points
Historical	5 tests used to calculate RP.	2 tests used to calculate RP.
Data	No tests failed.	No tests failed.
Data	0 Points	0 Points
Fffluent	Little variability, no upsets or significant	Same as Acute.
Variability	violations, consistent WWTF operations.	
v arrability	0 Points	0 Points
Receiving Water	WWFF	Same as Acute.
Classification	5 Points	5 Points
	No reasonable potential for limits based on ATC.	No reasonable potential for limits based on ATC.
	Ammonia nitrogen limits carried over from the	Ammonia nitrogen limits carried over from the
Chemical-Specific	current permit. Chloride, copper, nickel, and zinc	current permit. Chloride, copper, nickel, and zinc
Data	detected.	detected.
	Additional Compounds of Concern: None.	Additional Compounds of Concern: None.
	3 Points	3 Points
	No biocides and one water quality conditioner	All additives used more than once per 4 days.
Additives	(alum) added.	
	Permittee has proper P chemical SOP in place.	
	1 Point	1 Point
D . 1	6 Industrial Contributors (Handy Art, Clasen	Same as Acute.
Discharge	Quality Chocolates, Evonik, Cargill Animal	
Category	Nutrition, United Ethanol, Freedom Graphics)	
	10 Points	10 Points
Wastewater	Secondary or better.	Same as Acute.
Treatment	0 Points	0 Points
Downstream	No impacts known.	Same as Acute.
Impacts	0 Points	0 Points
Total Checklist	19 Points	19 Points
Points:		
Recommended		
Monitoring Frequency	2 tests during permit term.	None.
(from Checklist):		
Limit Required?	No	No
TRE Recommended?	No	No
(from Checklist)		

WET Checklist Summary

• After consideration of the guidance provided in the Department's WET Program Guidance Document

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(2022) and other information described above, **two acute WET tests and no chronic WET tests are recommended** in the reissued permit. Tests should be done in rotating quarters to collect seasonal information about this discharge. WET testing should continue after the permit expiration date (until the permit is reissued).



Attachment #2 Site Map

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Attachment #3 Ammonia Nitrogen Calculations from the WQBEL Memo Dated June 13, 2018

The rules provide a mechanism for less stringent weekly average and monthly average effluent limitations when early life stages (ELS) of critical organisms are absent from the receiving water. This applies only when the water temperature is less than 14.5 °C, during the winter and spring months. Burbot, an early spawning species, are not believed to be present in the Rock River, based on conversations with local fisheries biologists. So "ELS Absent" criteria apply from October through March, and "ELS Present" criteria will apply from April through September for a warmwater waterbody.

Since minimal ambient data is available, the "default" basin assumed values are used for Temperature, pH and background ammonia concentrations, shown in the table below, with the resulting criteria and effluent limitations.

		Summer	Winter	Spring
		June – Sept.	Oct March	April & May
	7-Q ₁₀ (cfs)	140	140	140
	7-Q ₂ (cfs)	290	290	290
	Ammonia (mg/L)	0.07	0.135	0.09
Background	Temperature (°C)	19	4	6
Information	pH (s.u.)	8.08	7.98	8.09
	% of Flow used	100	25	25
	Reference Weekly Flow (cfs)	140	35	35
	Reference Monthly Flow (cfs)	246.5	61.625	61.625
	4-day Chronic			
	Early Life Stages Present	4.15	6.26	5.32
Criteria	Early Life Stages Absent	3,56	8,38	5.50
mg/L	30-day Chronic			
	Early Life Stages Present	1.66	2.50	2.13
	Early Life Stages Absent	1.42	3.35	2.20
		Summer	Winter	Spring
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Effluent	Weekly Average			· · · ·
Limitations	Early Life Stages Present	305.62	119.38	101.96
mg/L – with	Early Life Stages Absent	261.26	160.60	105.49
Consolidated	Monthly Average			
Kosh current	Early Life Stages Present	208.52	79.54	68.44
0.6 MGD	Early Life Stages Absent			
Design Flow		177.45	107.92	70.86
Effluent	Weekly Average			
Limitations	Early Life Stages Present	269.07	105.67	90.25
mg/L - with	Early Life Stages Absent	230.01	142.14	93.37
Consolidated	Monthly Average			
Kosh future	Early Life Stages Present	183.44	70.20	60.40
0.769 MGD	Early Life Stages Absent			
Design Flow		156.11	95.25	62.54

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	Temperature limits for receiving waters with unidirectional flow										
	(calculation using default ambient temperature data)										
	Facility:	Ν	/lilton WV	VTF 7-Q10:		140	cfs		Temp Dates	Flow Dates	
	Outfall(s):	001				Dilution:	25%		Start:	01/01/22	10/01/18
Date	e Prepared:	:	8/2/2024			f:	0		End:	12/31/22	03/23/24
Design	Flow (Qe):	1.394	MGD		S	tream type:	Small	warm wat	er sport or f	orage fis 🔻	
Storm	Sewer Dist.	0	ft		(ls:Qe ratio:	16.2	:1			
					Calculati	on Needed?	YES				
	Water (Water Quality CriteriaReceiving WaterRepresentative Highest Effluent Flow Rate* (Qe)Representative 		Calculated E	Effluent Limit						
Month	Ta (default)	Sub- Lethal WQC	Acute WQC	Flow Rate (Qs)	7-day Rolling Average (Qesl)	Daily Maximum Flow Rate (Qea)	f	Weekly Average	Daily Maximum	Weekly Average Effluent Limitation	Daily Maximum Effluent Limitation
	(°F)	(°F)	(°F)	(cfs)	(MGD)	(MGD)		(°F)	(°F)	(°F)	(°F)
JAN	33	49	76	140	1.003	1.094	0	56	59	NA	120
FEB	34	50	76	140	1.121	1.801	0	53	55	NA	120
MAR	38	52	77	140	1.204	1.423	0	55	56	NA	120
APR	48	55	79	140	1.252	1.425	0	62	65	NA	120
MAY	58	65	82	140	1.329	1.406	0	66	68	NA	120
JUN	66	76	84	140	1.019	1.195	0	74	75	NA	120
JUL	69	81	85	140	1.118	1.375	0	75	76	NA	120
AUG	67	81	84	140	1.086	1.507	0	74	76	NA	120
SEP	60	73	82	140	1.211	1.896	0	73	75	NA	120
OCT	50	61	80	140	1.168	1.848	0	66	70	NA	120
NOV	40	49	77	140	1.349	1.686	0	63	67	NA	120
DEC	35	49	76	140	1.038	1.278	0	57	59	NA	120

*These flow rates represent the combined effluent flow rates of Milton WWTF and Consolidated Koshkonong WWTF

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