

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0060801-11-0

Permittee: VILLAGE OF SPRING GREEN, PO Box 158, Spring Green, WI, 53588

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Spring Green Wastewater Treatment Facility, 621 CARPENTER LANE, SPRING GREEN, WISCONSIN

Receiving Water And Location: North bank of the Wisconsin River, approximately one-half mile from treatment plant. SW ¼ of SE ¼, Section 13, T8N, R3E. Wisconsin River (Bear Creek Watershed, LW14 – Lower Wisconsin River Basin) in Sauk County.

Brief Facility Description and Summary of Proposed Changes: The Village of Spring Green operates a secondary wastewater treatment facility providing treatment for domestic and commercial wastewater. Treatment consists of mechanical screening and grit removal, oxidation ditch secondary treatment followed by chemical phosphorus removal, final clarification, and ultraviolet (UV) disinfection prior to discharge to the Wisconsin River. UV disinfection replaced effluent chlorine contact disinfection in 2021. Sludge that is produced is aerobically digested and stored on-site prior to land application on department approved sites. After a desk top review of all discharge monitoring reports, CMARs, land application reports, and a site visit on February 05, 2024, this facility has been found to be in substantial compliance with their current permit.

Fecal coliform monitoring and limits have been replaced with Escherichia coli (E. coli) monitoring and limits. Annual monitoring for Total Nitrogen (TKN, N02+N03, and Total N) is required in specific quarters. Monitoring sludge for PFAS is required annually.

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

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Tanner Connors, 3911 Fish Hatchery Road, Fitchburg, WI 53711, (608) 575-6891, Tanner.Connors@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 (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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