



CITY OF NORTH PORT

**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR NPU
NO. 2020-58
THIS IS NOT AN ORDER**

Date: 1/28/2022

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**CITY OF NORTH PORT
Utilities Department
6644 W. Price Blvd.
North Port, Florida 34291**

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Reply No Later Than: February 25, 2022 @ 2:00 p.m. (EST)

REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST

**CITY OF NORTH PORT
DRYING BED AT THE SOUTHWEST WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY**

The City of North Port Utilities Department (NPU) is currently accepting letters of interest from firms for Professional Engineering Services for NPU, Category 1.

INTENT: It is the intention of NPU to secure the professional services of a qualified firm to design, permit, provide bidding services and limited inspection during construction a drying bed system at the Southwest Water Reclamation Facility. The drying bed will be used to dewater material accumulated in the vacuum trucks during wastewater collection system cleaning operations.

BACKGROUND/SCOPE OF SERVICES:

BACKGROUND

The City of North Port (CITY) owns and operates the Southwest Water Reclamation Facility under Florida Department of Environmental Protection permit FLA984841. The facility current has a septage receiving station that was intended to be used for the pump out of City's vacuum trucks. In lieu of using this system, the City intends to utilize a drying bed for this purpose.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

TASK 1- PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION

This task will include overall project management by the consultant and coordination with NPU, attendance at project meetings, and assistance with any permitting coordination as needed. This task will include a project kickoff meeting with NPU staff to review the project, regulatory concerns, and any items pertinent to the progress of the project.

Additional data may be requested as needed. The firm will work with NPU staff to acquire the information. This may include phone calls, meetings, site visits and email communications with staff.

TASK 2 – DESIGN, SPECIFICATIONS, DETAIL, AND PERMITTING

The firm will design and permit a drying bed system with a minimum capacity of four to five vacuum trucks per week. It is anticipated that the drying bed system will be a dual drying bed and will discharge the drained water to the onsite lift station. The City's specifications and details will be used and any additional specifications and details necessary for the project will be supplied by the selected firm.

TASK 3 – BID PHASE SERVICES

The firm will assist the City during the bid phase by attending a pre-bid meeting if one is held, responding to questions from potential bidders via addenda during the bidding process and evaluating the bids and providing a recommendation to the City regarding the bids.

TASK 4 FDEP CERTIFICATION

The firm will provide the for the limited oversight during construction. The City will be actively involved in the inspection of the project as it proceeds. Upon completion, the firm will certify construction to FDEP to place the project into service.

DELIVERABLES

The deliverables to be provided for this project include the following:

- Kick-off meeting minutes
- Plans, and specifications, bid form and EOPCC for the project
- Permit applications for FDEP
- Up to two (2) Responses to FDEP Requests for Additional Information during the permitting process
- Bid phase services including responding to bidders questions via addenda
- Certification of construction completion to FDEP
- Record Drawings

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

It is the responsibility of the Engineer to be knowledgeable of the City's FDEP permit, the facilities, and operational limitations of the system to determine the most appropriate installation method.

Engineers are to provide references for at least three (3) similar projects within the last 10 years. Name, email and phone numbers are required for appropriate contact for each reference.

Proposals shall specify the project team to include the project manager, task manager, and field staff, detailing each team member's specific experience as it relates to this project.

Proposals are to include the names of all subcontractors to be used on this project.

Any questions concerning this project must be submitted via email to both Michael Acosta, P.E. and Nicole Brown at macosta@cityofnorthport.com and nbrown@cityofnorthport.com, respectively no later than February 18, 2022.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Statement of Non-Submittal
2. Disclosure for Consultant/Engineer/Architect
3. Conflict of Interest Form
4. Scrutinized Company Certification Form
5. E-Verification Certification Form
6. FDEP permit no: FLA984841

All firms within Contract No. 2020-58, Category 1 are encouraged to submit a letter (not to exceed three single-sided pages) that provides the above information and adequately expresses why it would be in the City's best interest to select the submitting firm(s).

LETTERS OF INTEREST ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO THE UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
ON OR BEFORE February 25, 2022 AT 2:00 P.M. (EST) VIA EMAIL TO:

MICHAEL ACOSTA, P.E.: MACOSTA@CITYOFNORTHPORT.COM

AND

NICOLE BROWN: NBROWN@CITYOFNORTHPORT.COM.

STATEMENT OF NON-SUBMITTAL

If you **do not** intend to submit a bid on this service, please return this form (see information below) immediately.

We, the undersigned, have declined to submit a Letter of Interest for **RLI No. 2022-02 - DRYING BED AT THE SOUTHWEST WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY**

- Insufficient time to respond to the Request for Bid.
- We do not offer this product/service.
- Unable to meet bond/insurance requirements.
- Specifications are unclear (explain below).
- OTHER (please specify below).

REMARKS: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

Note: Please email "Statement of Non-Submittal" to:

MICHAEL ACOSTA: MACOSTA@CITYOFNORTHPORT.COM
AND
NICOLE BROWN: NBROWN@CITYOFNORTHPORT.COM

**DISCLOSURE FORM FOR
CONSULTANT/ENGINEER/ARCHITECT**

Please select only one of the following three options:

_____ Our firm has no actual, potential, or reasonably perceived, **financial*** or **other interest**** in the outcome of the project.

_____ Our firm has a potential or reasonably perceived **financial*** or **other interest**** in the outcome of the project as described here:

_____.

Our firm proposes to mitigate the potential or perceived conflict according to the following plan:

_____.

_____ Our firm has an actual **financial*** or **other interest**** in the outcome of the project as described here:

_____.

***What does “financial interest” mean?**

If your firm, or employee(s) of your firm working on the project (or a member of the employee’s household), will/may be perceived to receive or lose private income depending on the government business choices based on your firm’s findings and recommendations, this must be listed as a financial interest. An example would be ownership in physical assets affected by the government business choices related to this project. The possibility of contracting for further consulting services is not included in this definition and is not prohibited.

****What does “other interest” mean?**

If your firm, or employee(s) of your firm working on the project (or a member of the employee’s household), will/may be perceived to have political, legal or any other interests that will affect what goes into your firm’s findings and recommendations, or will be/may be perceived to be affected by the government business choices related to this project, this must be listed as other interest.

BUSINESS NAME: _____

NAME (PERSON AUTHORIZED TO BIND THE COMPANY): _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM

F.S. §112.313 places limitations on public officers (including advisory board members) and employees' ability to contract with the City either directly or indirectly. Therefore, please indicate if the following applies:

PART I.

- I am an employee, public officer or advisory board member of the City
_____ **(List Position or Board)**

- I am the spouse or child of an employee, public officer or advisory board member of the City
Name: _____

- An employee, public officer or advisory board member of the City, or their spouse or child, is an officer, partner, director, or proprietor of Respondent or has a material interest in Respondent. "Material interest" means direct or indirect ownership of more than 5 percent of the total assets or capital stock of any business entity. For the purposes of [§112.313], indirect ownership does not include ownership by a spouse or minor child.
Name: _____

- Respondent employs or contracts with an employee, public officer or advisory board member of the City
Name: _____

- None of The Above

PART II:

Are you going to request an advisory board member waiver?

- I will request an advisory board member waiver under §112.313(12)
- I will NOT request an advisory board member waiver under §112.313(12)
- N/A

The City shall review any relationships which may be prohibited under the Florida Ethics Code and will disqualify any vendors whose conflicts are not waived or exempt.

BUSINESS NAME: _____

NAME(PERSON AUTHORIZED TO BIND COMPANY): _____

SIGNATURE: _____

THIS PAGE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH LETTER OF INTEREST

Scrutinized Company Certification Form

Company Name: _____			
Authorized Representative Name and Title: _____			
Address: _____	City: _____	State: _____	ZIP: _____
Phone Number: _____	Email Address: _____		

A company is ineligible to, and may not, bid on, submit a proposal for, or enter into or renew a contract with the City of North Port for goods or services of any amount if, at the time of bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing such contract, the company is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to Florida Statutes, section 215.4725, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel.

A company is ineligible to, and may not, bid on, submit a proposal for, or enter into or renew a contract with the City of North Port for goods or services of \$1 million or more if, at the time of bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing such contract, the company is on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to Florida Statutes, section 215.473, or with companies engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

- This bid, proposal, contract or contract renewal is for goods or services of less than \$1 million. As the person authorized to sign on behalf of the above-named company, and as required by Florida Statutes, section 287.135(5), I hereby certify that the above-named company is not participating in a boycott of Israel.

- This bid, proposal, contract or contract renewal is for goods or services of \$1 million or more. As the person authorized to sign on behalf of the above-named company, and as required by Florida Statutes, section 287.135(5), I hereby certify that the above-named company is not participating in a boycott of Israel, is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, and it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria.

I understand that pursuant to Florida Statutes, section 287.135, the submission of a false certification may result in the termination of the contract if one is entered into, and may subject the above-named company to civil penalties, attorney's fees and costs.	
Certified By: _____	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE
Print Name and Title: _____	
Date Certified: _____	

Solicitation/Contract/PO Number (Completed by Purchasing): _____

VENDOR'S CERTIFICATION FOR E-VERIFY SYSTEM

The undersigned Vendor/Consultant/Contractor (Vendor), certifies the following:

1. Vendor is a person or entity that has entered into or is attempting to enter into a contract with the City of North Port (City) to provide labor, supplies, or services to the City in exchange for salary, wages or other remuneration.
2. Vendor has registered with and will use the E-Verify System of the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify the employment eligibility of:
 - a. All persons newly hired by the Vendor to perform employment duties within Florida during the term of the contract; and
 - b. All persons, including subcontractors or subconsultants, assigned by the Vendor to perform work pursuant to the contract with the City.
3. If the Vendor becomes the successful Contractor who enters into a contract with the City, then the Vendor will comply with the requirements of Section 448.095, Fla. Stat. "Employment Eligibility", as amended from time to time.
4. Vendor will obtain an affidavit from all subcontractors attesting that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with, an unauthorized alien as defined in 8 United States Code, Section 1324A(H)(3).
5. Vendor will maintain the original affidavit of all subcontractors for the duration of the contract.
6. Vendor affirms that failure to comply with the state law requirements can result in the City's termination of the contract and other penalties as provided by law.
7. Vendor understands that pursuant to Florida Statutes, section 448.095, the submission of a false certification may result in the termination of the contract if one is entered into, and may subject the Vendor named in this certification to civil penalties, attorney's fees and costs.

VENDOR: _____ (Vendor's Company Name)

Certified By: _____
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

Print Name and Title: _____

Date Certified: _____



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF Environmental Protection

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March 17, 2020

In the Matter of an
Application for Permit by:

City of North Port
Rick Newkirk, Utilities Director
6644 West Price Blvd.
North Port, FL 34291
rnewkirk@cityofnorthport.com

Sarasota County – Domestic Wastewater
Southwest WRF
File Number FLA984841-004-DWF
Correction of minor typographical errors

NOTICE OF PERMIT REVISION

This letter is in response to your request to correct reference errors in the notes section of Table I.A.1 and to Section V.A. Staffing Requirements of permit number FLA984841-003 for the Southwest WRF. The Department of Environmental Protection (“Department”) revises the referenced permit to correct the minor typographical errors. This permit revision is issued under Section 403.087 of the Florida Statutes. Revised permit number FLA984841-004 accompanies this letter.

All other conditions of the permit shall remain unchanged. This letter shall be attached to the permit and made part thereof.

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

This action is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. On the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until further order of the Department. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the hearing process may result in a modification of the agency action or even denial of the application.

Petition for Administrative Hearing

A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, F.A.C., a petition for an administrative hearing must contain the following information:

- (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known;
- (b) The name, address, any e-mail address, any facsimile number, and telephone number of the petitioner, if the petitioner is not represented by an attorney or a qualified representative; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination;
- (c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision;
- (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;

- (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;
- (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes that the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and
- (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at Agency_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us. Also, a copy of the petition shall be mailed to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing.

Time Period for Filing a Petition

In accordance with Rule 62-110.106(3), F.A.C., petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant and persons entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of receipt of this written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of publication of the notice or within 14 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. You cannot justifiably rely on the finality of this decision unless notice of this decision and the right of substantially affected persons to challenge this decision has been duly published or otherwise provided to all persons substantially affected by the decision. While you are not required to publish notice of this action, you may elect to do so pursuant Rule 62-110.106(10)(a), F.A.C.

The failure to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. If you do not publish notice of this action, this waiver may not apply to persons who have not received a clear point-of-entry.

Extension of Time

Under Rule 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at Agency_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us, before the deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

Mediation

Mediation is not available in this proceeding.

Judicial Review

Once this decision becomes final, any party to this action has the right to seek judicial review pursuant to Section 120.68, F.S., by filing a Notice of Appeal pursuant to Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 9.110 and 9.190 with the Clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel (Station #35, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000) and by filing a copy of the Notice of

Appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate district court of appeal. The notice must be filed within 30 days from the date this action is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

EXECUTION AND CLERKING

Executed in Ft. Myers, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



Jon M. Iglehart
Director of District Management

Attachment:

Permit Number: **FCERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned duly designated deputy clerk hereby certifies that this document and all attachments were sent on the filing date below to the following listed persons:

Ashley Miele, P.E. Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., ashley.miele@kimley-horn.com

Madeline Kender, Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., madeline.kender@kimley-horn.com

FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

FILED, on this date, pursuant to Section 120.52, F. S., with the designated Department Clerk, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.



Clerk

March 17, 2020

Date



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF Environmental Protection

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2295 Victoria Ave, Suite 364
Ft. Myers, Florida 33901-3875

STATE OF FLORIDA DOMESTIC WASTEWATER FACILITY PERMIT

PERMITTEE:
City of North Port

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL:
Rick Newkirk, Utilities Director
6644 West Price Blvd.
North Port, Florida 34291
rnewkirk@cityofnorthport.com

PERMIT NUMBER: FLA984841
FILE NUMBER: FLA984841-004-DWF
REVISION DATE: March 17, 2020
EFFECTIVE DATE: November 25, 2019
EXPIRATION DATE: November 24, 2024

FACILITY:

Southwest WRF
US 41 and River Rd
Sarasota, FL 34231
Sarasota County
Latitude: 27° 02' 20.17" N, Longitude: 82° 18' 15.46" W

This permit is issued under the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and applicable rules of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). This permit does not constitute authorization to discharge wastewater other than as expressly stated in this permit. This permit is accompanied by an Administrative Order, pursuant to paragraphs 403.088(2)(e) and (f), Florida Statutes. Compliance with Administrative Order, AO-FLA984841-003, is a specific requirement of this permit. The above-named permittee is hereby authorized to construct and operate the facilities in accordance with the documents attached hereto and specifically described as follows:

WASTEWATER TREATMENT:

A 4.0 million gallons per day (MGD) annual average daily flow (AADF), Modified Ludzack-Ettinger (MLE), domestic wastewater treatment plant. This facility is to be constructed in two 2-MGD phases. The major units of the facility are headworks, MLE biological treatment, filtration, high-level disinfection, reject storage, and residual storage and pumping.

Phase I: A headworks structure with four influent channels (two mechanical screens), one bypass channel with a manual bar screen, and a single stacked tray grit removal system; two MLE basins, each with a 0.120 million gallon (MG) anoxic zone and 0.340 MG aeration zone for a total volume of 0.46 MG; two secondary clarifiers, each with a volume of 0.298 MG and a surface area of 3,318 square feet; two deep bed filters of 525 square feet; two chlorine contact chambers of 54,000 gallons each; an aerobic digester that is divided equally in two basins with a total volume of 0.364 MG; a centrifuge; chemical feed systems; a 2.0 MG reject tank; and a Class 1 deep injection well with a minimum capacity of 4.0 MGD to dispose of wet weather flows from the system.

Phase II: The Southwest Wastewater Reclamation Facility (SWWWRF) will be permitted to treat 4.0 MGD AADF when the following facilities are installed: The addition of a third mechanical bar screen in the headworks; two MLE basins, each with a 0.120 MG anoxic zone and 0.340 MG aeration zone; a third deep bed filter of 525 square feet; and one additional CCC with a capacity of 54,000 gallons; a second centrifuge; and a 2.0 MG reject water ground storage tank.

REUSE OR DISPOSAL:

Underground Injection U-001: An underground injection well system consisting of one Class I underground injection well discharging to Class G-IV ground water. The permit for the injection well is 0361012-001-UC/IX, WACS ID: 105134. The well is permitted to accept a maximum flow of 12.0 MGD of domestic wastewater from the facility. The Underground Injection Well System U-001 is located approximately at latitude 27° 02' 18.89" N, longitude 82° 18' 13.96" W.

PERMITTEE: City of North Port
FACILITY: Southwest WRF

PERMIT NUMBER: FLA984841
PA FILE NUMBER: FLA984841-004-DWF

Land Application R-001: The facility provides reclaimed water to the West Villages Reuse Distribution System, permitted under number FLAB07114.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH: The limitations, monitoring requirements, and other conditions set forth in this cover sheet and Part I through Part IX on pages 1 through 17 of this permit.

I. RECLAIMED WATER AND EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

A. Effluent Systems

1. During the period beginning on the effective date and lasting through the expiration date of this permit, the permittee is authorized to discharge effluent U-001 and R-001. Such discharge shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below and reported in accordance with Permit Condition I.B.8:

Parameter	Units	Max./ Min	Reclaimed Water Condition		Monitoring Requirements			Notes
			Limit	Statistical Basis	Frequency of Analysis	Sample Type	Monitoring Site Number	
Flow (to reuse system)	MGD	Max Max	4.82 Report	Annual Average Monthly Average	Continuous	Recording Flow Meter with Totalizer	FLW-02	See I.A.5 and I.A.13
Flow (to injection well)	MGD	Max Max	12.0 Report	Annual Average Monthly Average	Continuous	Recording Flow Meter with Totalizer	FLW-03	See I.A.5
BOD, Carbonaceous 5 day, 20C	mg/L	Max Max Max Max	20.0 30.0 45.0 60.0	Annual Average Monthly Average Weekly Average Single Sample	Weekly	16-hr FPC	EFA-01	
Solids, Total Suspended	mg/L	Max	5.0	Single Sample	Daily; 24 hours	Grab	EFB-01	
Coliform, Fecal	#/100mL	Max	25	Single Sample	Daily; 24 hours	Grab	EFA-01	
Coliform, Fecal	#/100mL	Max	25	Single Sample	Daily; 24 hours	Grab	EFA-02	See I.A.12
Coliform, Fecal, % less than detection	percent	Min	75	Monthly Total	Daily; 24 hours	Calculated	EFA-01	See I.A.6
Coliform, Fecal, % less than detection	percent	Min	75	Monthly Total	Daily; 24 hours	Calculated	EFA-02	See I.A.6 and I.A.12
pH	s.u.	Min Max	6.0 8.5	Single Sample Single Sample	Continuous	Meter	EFA-01	See I.A.4
Chlorine, Total Residual (for disinfection)	mg/L	Min	1.0	Single Sample	Continuous	Meter	EFA-01	See I.A.7 and I.A.10
Chlorine, Total Residual (for disinfection)	mg/L	Min	1.0	Single Sample	Continuous	Meter	EFA-02	See I.A.7, I.A.10 and I.A.12
Turbidity	NTU	Max	Report	Single Sample	Continuous	Meter	EFB-01	See I.A.8 and I.A.10
Giardia	cysts/100L	Max	Report	Single Sample	Bi-annually; every 2 years	Grab	EFA-01	See I.A.11
Cryptosporidium	#/100mL	Max	Report	Single Sample	Bi-annually; every 2 years	Grab	EFA-01	See I.A.11

PERMITTEE: City of North Port
FACILITY: Southwest WRF

PERMIT NUMBER: FLA984841
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2. Effluent samples shall be taken at the monitoring site locations listed in Permit Condition I.A.1 and as described below:

Monitoring Site Number	Description of Monitoring Site
FLW-02	Master flow meter for the reuse system
FLW-03	Flow meter for the injection well.
EFA-01	Common Effluent channel of the chlorine contact basin
EFB-01	Clearwell of the effluent filters
EFA-02	Discharge at Phase II chlorine contact chamber (western chamber)

3. Disinfection is not required for discharge to Class G-IV waters using Class I wells. However, the permittee must maintain the capability for disinfection at a level that is consistent with the alternate disposal mechanism approved for this facility pursuant to Rule 62-600.540(5), F.A.C. [62-600.540(1)]
4. Hourly measurement of pH during the period of required operator attendance may be substituted for continuous measurement. [62-600.660(1)]
5. A recording flow meter with totalizer shall be utilized to measure flow and calibrated at least once every 12 months. [62-600.200(25)]
6. To report the "% less than detection," count the number of fecal coliform observations that were less than detection, divide by the total number of fecal coliform observations in the month, and multiply by 100% (round to the nearest integer). [62-600.440(6)(a)]
7. The minimum total chlorine residual shall be limited as described in the approved operating protocol, such that the permit limitation for fecal coliform bacteria will be achieved. In no case shall the total chlorine residual be less than 1.0 mg/L. [62-600.440(6)(b)][62-610.460(2)][62-610.463(2)]
8. The maximum turbidity shall be limited as described in the approved operating protocol, such that the permit limitations for total suspended solids and fecal coliforms will be achieved. [62-610.463(2)]
9. The treatment facilities shall be operated in accordance with all approved operating protocols. Only reclaimed water that meets the criteria established in the approved operating protocol(s) may be released to system storage or to the reuse system. Reclaimed water that fails to meet the criteria in the approved operating protocol(s) shall be directed to reject storage for subsequent additional treatment or disinfection. [62-610.320(6) and 62-610.463(2)]
10. Instruments for continuous on-line monitoring of total residual chlorine and turbidity shall be equipped with an automated data logging or recording device. [62-610.463(2)]
11. Intervals between sampling for Giardia and Cryptosporidium shall not exceed five years. [62-610.472(3)(d)]
12. Monitoring at EFA-02 shall not be required until the completion of Phase II.
13. The permittee shall not discharge to the West Villages Improvement District general reuse service area, until written approval is received from the Department. [62-610.800]

B. Other Limitations and Monitoring and Reporting Requirements

1. During the period beginning on the effective date and lasting through the expiration date of this permit, the treatment facility shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below and reported in accordance with condition I.B.8.:

PERMITTEE: City of North Port
 FACILITY: Southwest WRF

PERMIT NUMBER: FLA984841
 PA FILE NUMBER: FLA984841-004-DWF

Parameter	Units	Max. /Min	Limitations		Monitoring Requirements			Notes
			Limit	Statistical Basis	Frequency of Analysis	Sample Type	Monitoring Site Number	
Flow	MGD	Max Max Max	2.0 Report Report	Annual Average Monthly Average 3-Month Rolling Average	Continuous	Recording Flow Meter with Totalizer	FLW-01	See I.B.4
Percent Capacity, (TMADF/Permitted Capacity) x 100	percent	Max	Report	Monthly Average	Monthly	Calculated	FLW-01	
BOD, Carbonaceous 5 day, 20C (Influent)	mg/L	Max	Report	Single Sample	Weekly	16-hr FPC	INF-01	See I.B.3
Solids, Total Suspended (Influent)	mg/L	Max	Report	Single Sample	Weekly	16-hr FPC	INF-01	See I.B.3

2. Samples shall be taken at the monitoring site locations listed in Permit Condition I.B.1. and as described below:

Monitoring Site Number	Description of Monitoring Site
FLW-01	Influent flow meter upstream of the headworks
INF-01	Upstream of the screens at the headworks

3. Influent samples shall be collected so that they do not contain digester supernatant or return activated sludge, or any other plant process recycled waters. [62-600.660(4)(a)]
4. A recording flow meter with totalizer shall be utilized to measure flow and calibrated at least once every 12 months. [62-600.200(25)]
5. Sampling results for giardia and cryptosporidium shall be reported on DEP Form 62-610.300(4)(a)4, Pathogen Monitoring, which is attached to this permit. This form shall be submitted to the Department's South District Office and to DEP's Reuse Coordinator in Tallahassee. [62-610.300(4)(a)]
6. The sample collection, analytical test methods, and method detection limits (MDLs) applicable to this permit shall be conducted using a sufficiently sensitive method to ensure compliance with applicable water quality standards and effluent limitations and shall be in accordance with Rule 62-4.246, Chapters 62-160 and 62-600, F.A.C., and 40 CFR 136, as appropriate. The list of Department established analytical methods, and corresponding MDLs (method detection limits) and PQLs (practical quantitation limits), which is titled "FAC 62-4 MDL/PQL Table (May 31, 2019)" is available at <https://floridadep.gov/dear/quality-assurance/content/quality-assurance-resources>. The MDLs and PQLs as described in this list shall constitute the minimum acceptable MDL/PQL values and the Department shall not accept results for which the laboratory's MDLs or PQLs are greater than those described above unless alternate MDLs and/or PQLs have been specifically approved by the Department for this permit. Any method included in the list may be used for reporting as long as it meets the following requirements:
 - a. The laboratory's reported MDL and PQL values for the particular method must be equal or less than the corresponding method values specified in the Department's approved MDL and PQL list;
 - b. The laboratory reported MDL for the specific parameter is less than or equal to the permit limit or the applicable water quality criteria, if any, stated in Chapter 62-302, F.A.C. Parameters that are listed as "report only" in the permit shall use methods that provide an MDL, which is equal to or less than the applicable water quality criteria stated in 62-302, F.A.C.; and
 - c. If the MDLs for all methods available in the approved list are above the stated permit limit or applicable water quality criteria for that parameter, then the method with the lowest stated MDL shall be used.

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When the analytical results are below method detection or practical quantitation limits, the permittee shall report the actual laboratory MDL and/or PQL values for the analyses that were performed following the instructions on the applicable discharge monitoring report.

Where necessary, the permittee may request approval of alternate methods or for alternative MDLs or PQLs for any approved analytical method. Approval of alternate laboratory MDLs or PQLs are not necessary if the laboratory reported MDLs and PQLs are less than or equal to the permit limit or the applicable water quality criteria, if any, stated in Chapter 62-302, F.A.C. Approval of an analytical method not included in the above-referenced list is not necessary if the analytical method is approved in accordance with 40 CFR 136 or deemed acceptable by the Department. [62-4.246, 62-160]

7. The permittee shall provide safe access points for obtaining representative samples which are required by this permit. [62-600.650(2)]
8. Monitoring requirements under this permit are effective on the first day of the second month following the effective date of the permit. Until such time, the permittee shall continue to monitor and report in accordance with previously effective permit requirements. If not already registered to use the Department's Ez Discharge Monitoring Report (EzDMR) system, the permittee should register now in order to begin using the EzDMR system when the monitoring requirements under this permit are effective. During the period of operation authorized by this permit, the permittee shall complete and submit to the Department Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) in accordance with the frequencies specified by the REPORT type (i.e. monthly, quarterly, semiannual, annual, etc.) indicated on the DMR forms attached to this permit. Unless specified otherwise in this permit, monitoring results for each monitoring period shall be submitted in accordance with the associated DMR due dates below. DMRs shall be submitted for each required monitoring period including periods of no discharge.

REPORT Type on DMR	Monitoring Period	Submit by
Monthly	First day of month - last day of month	28th day of following month
Quarterly	January 1 - March 31 April 1 - June 30 July 1 - September 30 October 1 - December 31	April 28 July 28 October 28 January 28
Semiannual	January 1 - June 30 July 1 - December 31	July 28 January 28
Annual	January 1 - December 31	January 28

The permittee shall submit the completed DMR to the Department by the twenty-eighth (28th) of the month following the month of operation. Please contact the Department at (239) 344-5600 if you are unable to submit the completed DMR electronically using the EzDMR system.

The Department electronic EzDMR system at the time of permit issuance is available through the DEP Business Portal at: <http://www.fldepportal.com/go/submit-report/>

[62-620.610(18)][62-600.680(1)]

9. During the period of operation authorized by this permit, reclaimed water or effluent shall be monitored annually for the primary and secondary drinking water standards contained in Chapter 62-550, F.A.C., (except for asbestos, total coliform, color, odor, and residual disinfectants). These monitoring results shall be reported to the Department annually on the DMR. During years when a permit is not renewed, a certification stating that no new non-domestic wastewater dischargers have been added to the collection system since the last reclaimed water or effluent analysis was conducted may be submitted with the signed DMR in lieu of performing the analysis. When such a certification is submitted with the DMR, monitoring not required this period should be noted on the DMR. The annual reclaimed water or effluent analysis report, and certification if applicable, shall be completed and submitted in a timely manner so as to be received by the Department at the address identified on the DMR by January 28 of each year. Approved analytical methods identified in Rule 62-620.100(3)(j), F.A.C., shall be used for the analysis. If no method is included for a parameter, methods specified in Chapter 62-550, F.A.C., shall be used. [62-600.660(2) and (3)(d)][62-600.680(2)][62-610.300(4)]

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10. The permittee shall submit an Annual Reuse Report using DEP Form 62-610.300(4)(a)2. on or before January 1 of each year. *[62-610.870(3)]*
11. Operating protocol(s) shall be reviewed and updated periodically to ensure continuous compliance with the minimum treatment and disinfection requirements. Updated operating protocols shall be submitted to the Department's South District Office for review and approval upon revision of the operating protocol(s) and with each permit application. *[62-610.320(6)][62-610.463(2)]*
12. The permittee shall maintain an inventory of storage systems. The inventory shall be submitted to the Department's South District Office at least 30 days before reclaimed water will be introduced into any new storage system. The inventory of storage systems shall be attached to the annual submittal of the Annual Reuse Report. *[62-610.464(5)]*
13. Except as otherwise specified in this permit, all reports and other information required by this permit, including 24-hour notifications, shall be submitted to the Department in a digital format when practicable. The Department's electronic mailing address is:

SouthDistrict@FloridaDEP.gov

 Please contact the Department at (239) 344-5600 if you are unable to submit electronically.

[62-620.610(11)]
14. All reports and other information shall be signed in accordance with the requirements of Rule 62-620.305, F.A.C. *[62-620.305]*

II. BIOSOLIDS MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

A. Basic Requirements

1. Biosolids generated by this facility may be transferred to a biosolids treatment facility or disposed of in a Class I solid waste landfill. Transferring biosolids to an alternative biosolids treatment facility does not require a permit modification. However, use of an alternative biosolids treatment facility requires submittal of a copy of the agreement pursuant to Rule 62-640.880(1)(c), F.A.C., along with a written notification to the Department at least 30 days before transport of the biosolids. *[62-620.320(6), 62-640.880(1)]*
2. The permittee shall monitor and keep records of the quantities of biosolids generated, received from source facilities, treated, distributed and marketed, land applied, used as a biofuel or for bioenergy, transferred to another facility, or landfilled. These records shall be kept for a minimum of five years. *[62-640.650(4)(a)]*
3. Biosolids quantities shall be monitored by the permittee as specified below. Results shall be reported on the permittee's Discharge Monitoring Report for Monitoring Group RMP-Q in accordance with Condition I.B.8.

Parameter	Units	Max. /Min	Biosolids Limitation		Monitoring Requirements			Notes
			Limit	Statistical Basis	Frequency of Analysis	Sample Type	Monitoring Site Number	
Biosolids Quantity (Landfilled)	dry tons	Max	Report	Monthly Total	Monthly	Calculated	RMP-1	
Biosolids Quantity (Transferred)	dry tons	Max	Report	Monthly Total	Monthly	Calculated	RMP-1	

[62-640.650(5)(a)]

4. Biosolids quantities shall be calculated as listed in Permit Condition II.3 and as described below:

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Monitoring Site Number	Description of Monitoring Site Calculations
RMP-1	Calculated mass of biosolids removed from the facility

5. The treatment, management, transportation, use, land application, or disposal of biosolids shall not cause a violation of the odor prohibition in subsection 62-296.320(2), F.A.C. [62-640.400(6)]
6. Storage of biosolids or other solids at this facility shall be in accordance with the Facility Biosolids Storage Plan. [62-640.300(4)]
7. Biosolids shall not be spilled from or tracked off the treatment facility site by the hauling vehicle. [62-640.400(9)]

B. Disposal

1. Disposal of biosolids, septage, and "other solids" in a solid waste disposal facility, or disposal by placement on land for purposes other than soil conditioning or fertilization, such as at a monofill, surface impoundment, waste pile, or dedicated site, shall be in accordance with Chapter 62-701, F.A.C. [62-640.100(6)(b) & (c)]

C. Transfer

1. The permittee shall not be held responsible for treatment and management violations that occur after its biosolids have been accepted by a permitted biosolids treatment facility with which the source facility has an agreement in accordance with subsection 62-640.880(1)(c), F.A.C., for further treatment, management, or disposal. [62-640.880(1)(b)]
2. The permittee shall keep hauling records to track the transport of biosolids between the facilities. The hauling records shall contain the following information:

Source Facility	Biosolids Treatment Facility or Treatment Facility
1. Date and time shipped	1. Date and time received
2. Amount of biosolids shipped	2. Amount of biosolids received
3. Degree of treatment (if applicable)	3. Name and ID number of source facility
4. Name and ID Number of treatment facility	4. Signature of hauler
5. Signature of responsible party at source facility	5. Signature of responsible party at treatment facility
6. Signature of hauler and name of hauling firm	

A copy of the source facility hauling records for each shipment shall be provided upon delivery of the biosolids to the biosolids treatment facility or treatment facility. The treatment facility permittee shall report to the Department within 24 hours of discovery any discrepancy in the quantity of biosolids leaving the source facility and arriving at the biosolids treatment facility or treatment facility.

[62-640.880(4)]

D. Receipt

1. If the permittee intends to accept biosolids from other facilities, a permit revision is required pursuant to paragraph 62-640.880(2)(d), F.A.C. [62-640.880(2)(d)]

III. GROUND WATER REQUIREMENTS

Section III is not applicable to this facility.

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IV. ADDITIONAL REUSE AND LAND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Section IV is not applicable to this facility.

V. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

A. Staffing Requirements

1. During the period of operation authorized by this permit, the wastewater facilities shall be operated under the supervision of one or more operators certified in accordance with Chapter 62-602, F.A.C. In accordance with Chapter 62-699, F.A.C., this facility is a Category II, Class B facility and, at a minimum, operators with appropriate certification must be on the site as follows:
 - a. A Class C or higher operator 6 hours/day for 7 days/week. The lead/chief operator must be a Class B operator, or higher.
 - b. After the time plant flow reaches 1.0 MGD on a consecutive three-month rolling average daily flow basis: a Class C or higher operator 16 hours/day for 7 days/week
[62-620.630(3)][62-699.310] [62-610.462]
2. The lead/chief operator shall be employed at the plant full time. "Full time" shall mean at least 4 days per week, working a minimum of 35 hours per week, including leave time. A licensed operator shall be on-site and in charge of each required shift for periods of required staffing time when the lead/chief operator is not on-site. An operator meeting the lead/chief operator class for the treatment plant shall be available during all periods of plant operation. "Available" means able to be contacted as needed to initiate the appropriate action in a timely manner. *[62-699.311(10), (6) and (1)]*
3. An operator meeting the lead/chief operator class for the plant shall be available during all periods of plant operation. "Available" means able to be contacted as needed to initiate the appropriate action in a timely manner. *[62-699.311(1)]*

B. Capacity Analysis Report and Operation and Maintenance Performance Report Requirements

1. When the three-month average daily flow for the most recent three consecutive months exceeds 50 percent of the permitted capacity of the treatment plant or reuse and disposal systems, the permittee shall submit to the Department a capacity analysis report. This initial capacity analysis report shall be submitted within 180 days after the last day of the last month of the three-month period referenced above or with the permittee's application for permit renewal, whichever occurs first. The capacity analysis report shall be prepared in accordance with Rule 62-600.405, F.A.C. *[62-600.405(4)]*
2. The application to renew this permit shall include a detailed operation and maintenance performance report prepared in accordance with Rule 62-600.735, F.A.C. *[62-600.735(1)]*

C. Recordkeeping Requirements

1. The permittee shall maintain the following records and make them available for inspection on the site of the permitted facility.
 - a. Records of all compliance monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, including, if applicable, a copy of the laboratory certification showing the certification number of the laboratory, for at least three years from the date the sample or measurement was taken;
 - b. Copies of all reports required by this permit for at least three years from the date the report was prepared;
 - c. Records of all data, including reports and documents, used to complete the application for this permit for at least three years from the date the application was filed;

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- d. Monitoring information, including a copy of the laboratory certification showing the laboratory certification number, related to the residuals use and disposal activities for the time period set forth in Chapter 62-640, F.A.C., for at least three years from the date of sampling or measurement;
- e. A copy of the current wastewater facility permit;
- f. Copies of the current operation and maintenance manuals for the wastewater facility and the collection/transmission systems owned or operated by the wastewater facility permittee as required by Chapters 62-600 and 62-604, F.A.C.;
- g. A copy of any required record drawings for the wastewater facility and the collection/transmission systems owned or operated by the wastewater facility permittee;
- h. Copies of the licenses of the current certified operators;
- i. Copies of the logs and schedules showing plant operations and equipment maintenance for three years from the date of the logs or schedules. The logs shall, at a minimum, include identification of the plant; the signature and license number of the operator(s) and the signature of the person(s) making any entries; date and time in and out; specific operation and maintenance activities, including any preventive maintenance or repairs made or requested; results of tests performed and samples taken, unless documented on a laboratory sheet; and notation of any notification or reporting completed in accordance with Rule 62-602.650(3), F.A.C. The logs shall be maintained on-site in a location accessible to 24-hour inspection, protected from weather damage, and current to the last operation and maintenance performed; and
- j. Records of biosolids quantities, treatment, monitoring, and hauling for at least five years.

[62-620.350, 62-604.500, 62-602.650, 62-640.650(4)]

VI. SCHEDULES

1. In accordance with section 403.088(2)(e) and (f), Florida Statutes, a compliance schedule for this facility is contained in Administrative Order AO-FLA984841-003 which is hereby incorporated by reference.
2. The permittee is not authorized to discharge to waters of the state after the expiration date of this permit, unless:
 - a. The permittee has applied for renewal of this permit at least 180 days before the expiration date of this permit using the appropriate forms listed in Rule 62-620.910, F.A.C., and in the manner established in the Department of Environmental Protection Guide to Permitting Wastewater Facilities or Activities Under Chapter 62-620, F.A.C., including submittal of the appropriate processing fee set forth in Rule 62-4.050, F.A.C.; or
 - b. The permittee has made complete the application for renewal of this permit before the permit expiration date.

[62-620.335(1) - (4)]

VII. INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

This facility is not required to have a pretreatment program at this time. *[62-625.500]*

VIII. OTHER SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

1. In the event that the wastewater facilities or equipment, including collection/transmission systems, no longer function as intended, are no longer safe in terms of public health and safety (including inactive or abandoned facilities), or odor, noise, aerosol drift, or lighting adversely affects neighboring developed areas at the levels prohibited by paragraphs 62-600.400(2)(a) and 62-604.400(2)(c), F.A.C., corrective action (which may include additional maintenance or modifications of the permitted facilities) shall be taken by the permittee. Other corrective action may be required to ensure compliance with rules of the Department. Additionally, the treatment, management, use or land application of residuals shall not cause a violation of the odor prohibition in subsection 62-296.320(2), F.A.C. *[62-600.410(5), 62-604.500(3) and 62-640.400(6)]*

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2. All collection/transmission systems shall be operated and maintained so as to provide uninterrupted service. *[62-604.500(2)]*
3. The deliberate introduction of stormwater in any amount into collection/transmission systems designed solely for the introduction (and conveyance) of domestic/industrial wastewater; or the deliberate introduction of stormwater into collection/transmission systems designed for the introduction or conveyance of combinations of storm and domestic/industrial wastewater in amounts which may reduce the efficiency of pollutant removal by the treatment plant is prohibited, except as provided by Rule 62-610.472, F.A.C. *[62-604.130(3)]*
4. Cross-connection, as defined in Rule 62-550.200, F.A.C., between the wastewater facility, including the collection/transmission system, and a potable water system is prohibited. *[62-550.360][62-604.130(3)]*
5. The collection/transmission operation and maintenance manual shall be maintained and revised periodically in accordance with subsection 62-604.500(4), F.A.C., to reflect any alterations performed or to reflect experience resulting from operation. However, a new operation and maintenance manual is not required to be developed for each project if there is already an existing manual that is applicable to the facilities being constructed. *[62-604.500(4)]*
6. Collection/transmission system overflows shall be reported to the Department in accordance with Permit Condition IX. 20. *[62-604.550] [62-620.610(20)]*
7. The operating authority of a collection/transmission system and the permittee of a treatment plant are prohibited from accepting connections of wastewater discharges which have not received necessary pretreatment, or which contain materials or pollutants (other than normal domestic wastewater constituents):
 - a. Which may cause fire or explosion hazards; or
 - b. Which may cause excessive corrosion or other deterioration of wastewater facilities due to chemical action or pH levels; or
 - c. Which are solid or viscous and obstruct flow or otherwise interfere with wastewater facility operations or treatment; or
 - d. Which result in the wastewater temperature at the introduction of the treatment plant exceeding 40°C or otherwise inhibiting treatment; or
 - e. Which result in the presence of toxic gases, vapors, or fumes that may cause worker health and safety problems.*[62-604.130(5)]*
8. The treatment facility, storage ponds for Part II systems, rapid infiltration basins, and/or infiltration trenches shall be enclosed with a fence or otherwise provided with features to discourage the entry of animals and unauthorized persons. *[62-600.400(2)(b)]*
9. Screenings and grit removed from the wastewater facilities shall be collected in suitable containers and hauled to a Department approved Class I landfill or to a landfill approved by the Department for receipt/disposal of screenings and grit. *[62-701.300(1)(a)]*
10. Where required by Chapter 471 or Chapter 492, F.S., applicable portions of reports that must be submitted under this permit shall be signed and sealed by a professional engineer or a professional geologist, as appropriate. *[62-620.310(4)]*
11. The permittee shall provide verbal notice to the Department's South District Office as soon as practical after discovery of a sinkhole or other karst feature within an area for the management or application of wastewater, wastewater residuals (sludges), or reclaimed water. The permittee shall immediately implement measures appropriate to control the entry of contaminants, and shall detail these measures to the Department's South District Office in a written report within 7 days of the sinkhole discovery. *[62-620.320(6)]*

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12. The permittee shall provide notice to the Department of the following:
- a. Any new introduction of pollutants into the facility from an industrial discharger which would be subject to Chapter 403, F.S., and the requirements of Chapter 62-620, F.A.C., if it were directly discharging those pollutants; and
 - b. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into that facility by a source which was identified in the permit application and known to be discharging at the time the permit was issued.

Notice shall include information on the quality and quantity of effluent introduced into the facility and any anticipated impact of the change on the quantity or quality of effluent or reclaimed water to be discharged from the facility. If pretreatment becomes necessary, this permit may be modified to require the permittee to develop and implement a local pretreatment program in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 62-625, F.A.C.

[62-620.625(2)]

IX. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. The terms, conditions, requirements, limitations, and restrictions set forth in this permit are binding and enforceable pursuant to Chapter 403, Florida Statutes. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes, and is grounds for enforcement action, permit termination, permit revocation and reissuance, or permit revision. *[62-620.610(1)]*
2. This permit is valid only for the specific processes and operations applied for and indicated in the approved drawings or exhibits. Any unauthorized deviations from the approved drawings, exhibits, specifications, or conditions of this permit constitutes grounds for revocation and enforcement action by the Department. *[62-620.610(2)]*
3. As provided in subsection 403.087(7), F.S., the issuance of this permit does not convey any vested rights or any exclusive privileges. Neither does it authorize any injury to public or private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor authorize any infringement of federal, state, or local laws or regulations. This permit is not a waiver of or approval of any other Department permit or authorization that may be required for other aspects of the total project which are not addressed in this permit. *[62-620.610(3)]*
4. This permit conveys no title to land or water, does not constitute state recognition or acknowledgment of title, and does not constitute authority for the use of submerged lands unless herein provided and the necessary title or leasehold interests have been obtained from the State. Only the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund may express State opinion as to title. *[62-620.610(4)]*
5. This permit does not relieve the permittee from liability and penalties for harm or injury to human health or welfare, animal or plant life, or property caused by the construction or operation of this permitted source; nor does it allow the permittee to cause pollution in contravention of Florida Statutes and Department rules, unless specifically authorized by an order from the Department. The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge, reuse of reclaimed water, or residuals use or disposal in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment. It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit. *[62-620.610(5)]*
6. If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after its expiration date, the permittee shall apply for and obtain a new permit. *[62-620.610(6)]*
7. The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain the facility and systems of treatment and control, and related appurtenances, that are installed and used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. This provision includes the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems when necessary to maintain or achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit. *[62-620.610(7)]*

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8. This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit revision, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition. *[62-620.610(8)]*
9. The permittee, by accepting this permit, specifically agrees to allow authorized Department personnel, including an authorized representative of the Department and authorized EPA personnel, when applicable, upon presentation of credentials or other documents as may be required by law, and at reasonable times, depending upon the nature of the concern being investigated, to:
 - a. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility, system, or activity is located or conducted, or where records shall be kept under the conditions of this permit;
 - b. Have access to and copy any records that shall be kept under the conditions of this permit;
 - c. Inspect the facilities, equipment, practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
 - d. Sample or monitor any substances or parameters at any location necessary to assure compliance with this permit or Department rules.

[62-620.610(9)]
10. In accepting this permit, the permittee understands and agrees that all records, notes, monitoring data, and other information relating to the construction or operation of this permitted source which are submitted to the Department may be used by the Department as evidence in any enforcement case involving the permitted source arising under the Florida Statutes or Department rules, except as such use is proscribed by Section 403.111, F.S., or Rule 62-620.302, F.A.C. Such evidence shall only be used to the extent that it is consistent with the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure and applicable evidentiary rules. *[62-620.610(10)]*
11. When requested by the Department, the permittee shall within a reasonable time provide any information required by law which is needed to determine whether there is cause for revising, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit, or to determine compliance with the permit. The permittee shall also provide to the Department upon request copies of records required by this permit to be kept. If the permittee becomes aware of relevant facts that were not submitted or were incorrect in the permit application or in any report to the Department, such facts or information shall be promptly submitted, or corrections promptly reported to the Department. *[62-620.610(11)]*
12. Unless specifically stated otherwise in Department rules, the permittee, in accepting this permit, agrees to comply with changes in Department rules and Florida Statutes after a reasonable time for compliance; provided, however, the permittee does not waive any other rights granted by Florida Statutes or Department rules. A reasonable time for compliance with a new or amended surface water quality standard, other than those standards addressed in Rule 62-302.500, F.A.C., shall include a reasonable time to obtain or be denied a mixing zone for the new or amended standard. *[62-620.610(12)]*
13. The permittee, in accepting this permit, agrees to pay the applicable regulatory program and surveillance fee in accordance with Rule 62-4.052, F.A.C. *[62-620.610(13)]*
14. This permit is transferable only upon Department approval in accordance with Rule 62-620.340, F.A.C. The permittee shall be liable for any noncompliance of the permitted activity until the transfer is approved by the Department. *[62-620.610(14)]*
15. The permittee shall give the Department written notice at least 60 days before inactivation or abandonment of a wastewater facility or activity and shall specify what steps will be taken to safeguard public health and safety during and following inactivation or abandonment. *[62-620.610(15)]*
16. The permittee shall apply for a revision to the Department permit in accordance with Rules 62-620.300, F.A.C., and the Department of Environmental Protection Guide to Permitting Wastewater Facilities or Activities Under Chapter 62-620, F.A.C., at least 90 days before construction of any planned substantial modifications to the permitted facility is to commence or with Rule 62-620.325(2), F.A.C., for minor modifications to the permitted

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facility. A revised permit shall be obtained before construction begins except as provided in Rule 62-620.300, F.A.C. [62-620.610(16)]

17. The permittee shall give advance notice to the Department of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements. The permittee shall be responsible for any and all damages which may result from the changes and may be subject to enforcement action by the Department for penalties or revocation of this permit. The notice shall include the following information:
- A description of the anticipated noncompliance;
 - The period of the anticipated noncompliance, including dates and times; and
 - Steps being taken to prevent future occurrence of the noncompliance.

[62-620.610(17)]

18. Sampling and monitoring data shall be collected and analyzed in accordance with Rule 62-4.246 and Chapters 62-160, 62-600, and 62-610, F.A.C., and 40 CFR 136, as appropriate.
- Monitoring results shall be reported at the intervals specified elsewhere in this permit and shall be reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR), DEP Form 62-620.910(10), or as specified elsewhere in the permit.
 - If the permittee monitors any contaminant more frequently than required by the permit, using Department approved test procedures, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR.
 - Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall use an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified in this permit.
 - Except as specifically provided in Rule 62-160.300, F.A.C., any laboratory test required by this permit shall be performed by a laboratory that has been certified by the Department of Health Environmental Laboratory Certification Program (DOH ELCP). Such certification shall be for the matrix, test method and analyte(s) being measured to comply with this permit. For domestic wastewater facilities, testing for parameters listed in Rule 62-160.300(4), F.A.C., shall be conducted under the direction of a certified operator.
 - Field activities including on-site tests and sample collection shall follow the applicable standard operating procedures described in DEP-SOP-001/01 adopted by reference in Chapter 62-160, F.A.C.
 - Alternate field procedures and laboratory methods may be used where they have been approved in accordance with Rules 62-160.220, and 62-160.330, F.A.C.

[62-620.610(18)]

19. Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule detailed elsewhere in this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date. [62-620.610(19)]
20. The permittee shall report to the Department any noncompliance which may endanger health or the environment. Any information shall be provided orally within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. A written submission shall also be provided within five days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance including exact dates and time, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance. For noncompliance events related to sanitary sewer overflows or bypass events, these reports must include the data described above (with the exception of time of discovery) as well as the type of event (sanitary sewer overflows or bypass events), type of sewer overflow (e.g., manhole), discharge volumes by the treatment works treating domestic sewage, types of human health and environmental impacts of the sewer overflow event, and whether the noncompliance was related to wet weather. The written submission may be provided electronically using the Department's Business Portal at <http://www.fldepportal.com/go/> (via "Submit" followed by "Report" or "Registration/Notification").

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Notice required under paragraph (d) may be provided together with the written submission using the Business Portal. All noncompliance events related to sanitary sewer overflows or bypass events submitted after December 21, 2020 shall be submitted electronically.

(a) The following shall be included as information which must be reported within 24 hours under this condition:

1. Any unanticipated bypass which causes any reclaimed water or the effluent to exceed any permit limitation or results in an unpermitted discharge,
2. Any upset which causes any reclaimed water or the effluent to exceed any limitation in the permit,
3. Violation of a maximum daily discharge limitation for any of the pollutants specifically listed in the permit for such notice, and
4. Any unauthorized discharge to surface or ground waters.

(b) Oral reports as required by this subsection shall be provided as follows:

1. For unauthorized releases or spills of treated or untreated wastewater reported pursuant to subparagraph (a)4, that are in excess of 1,000 gallons per incident, or where information indicates that public health or the environment will be endangered, oral reports shall be provided to the Department by calling the STATE WATCH OFFICE TOLL FREE NUMBER (800) 320-0519, as soon as practical, but no later than 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the discharge. The permittee, to the extent known, shall provide the following information to the State Watch Office:

- a. Name, address, and telephone number of person reporting;
- b. Name, address, and telephone number of permittee or responsible person for the discharge;
- c. Date and time of the discharge and status of discharge (ongoing or ceased);
- d. Characteristics of the wastewater spilled or released (untreated or treated, industrial or domestic wastewater);
- e. Estimated amount of the discharge;
- f. Location or address of the discharge;
- g. Source and cause of the discharge;
- h. Whether the discharge was contained on-site, and cleanup actions taken to date;
- i. Description of area affected by the discharge, including name of water body affected, if any; and
- j. Other persons or agencies contacted.

2. Oral reports, not otherwise required to be provided pursuant to subparagraph (b)1. above, shall be provided to the Department within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances.

(c) If the oral report has been received within 24 hours, the noncompliance has been corrected, and the noncompliance did not endanger health or the environment, the Department shall waive the written report.

(d) In accordance with Section 403.077, F.S., unauthorized releases or spills reportable to the State Watch Office pursuant to subparagraph (b)1. above shall also be reported to the Department within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the discharge. The permittee shall provide to the Department information reported to the State Watch Office. Notice of unauthorized releases or spills may be provided to the Department through the Department's Public Notice of Pollution web page at <https://floridadep.gov/pollutionnotice>.

1. If, after providing notice pursuant to paragraph (d) above, the permittee determines that a reportable unauthorized release or spill did not occur or that an amendment to the notice is warranted, the permittee may submit additional notice to the Department documenting such determination.
2. If, after providing notice pursuant to paragraph (d) above, the permittee discovers that a reportable unauthorized release or spill has migrated outside the property boundaries of the installation, the permittee must provide an additional notice to the Department that the release has migrated outside the property boundaries within 24 hours after its discovery of the migration outside of the property boundaries.

[62-620.610(20)] [62-620.100(3)] [403.077, F.S.]

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21. The permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under Permit Conditions IX.17., IX.18., or IX.19. of this permit at the time monitoring reports are submitted. This report shall contain the same information required by Permit Condition IX.20. of this permit. *[62-620.610(21)]*

22. Bypass Provisions.

- a. "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment works.
- b. Bypass is prohibited, and the Department may take enforcement action against a permittee for bypass, unless the permittee affirmatively demonstrates that:
 - (1) Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage; and
 - (2) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and
 - (3) The permittee submitted notices as required under Permit Condition IX.22.c. of this permit.
- c. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, it shall submit prior notice to the Department, if possible at least 10 days before the date of the bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass within 24 hours of learning about the bypass as required in Permit Condition IX.20. of this permit. A notice shall include a description of the bypass and its cause; the period of the bypass, including exact dates and times; if the bypass has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and the steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the bypass.
- d. The Department shall approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effect, if the permittee demonstrates that it will meet the three conditions listed in Permit Condition IX.22.b.(1) through (3) of this permit.
- e. A permittee may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause reclaimed water or effluent limitations to be exceeded if it is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of Permit Condition IX.22.b. through d. of this permit.

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23. Upset Provisions.

- a. "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology-based effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the permittee.
 - (1) An upset does not include noncompliance caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, careless or improper operation.
 - (2) An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of upset provisions of Rule 62-620.610, F.A.C., are met.
- b. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
 - (1) An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
 - (2) The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated;
 - (3) The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Permit Condition IX.20. of this permit; and
 - (4) The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Permit Condition IX.5. of this permit.
- c. In any enforcement proceeding, the burden of proof for establishing the occurrence of an upset rests with the permittee.
- d. Before an enforcement proceeding is instituted, no representation made during the Department review of a claim that noncompliance was caused by an upset is final agency action subject to judicial review.

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Jon M. Iglehart, Director of District Management