STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0022055-09-0

Permittee: City of Princeton, 531 S. Fulton St., Princeton, WI, 54968

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Princeton Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Farmer Street Extension-STH 73, Princeton, Wisconsin

Receiving Water and Location: Fox River in Green Lake County

Brief Facility Description: The City of Princeton, in Green Lake County, operates an Aerated Lagoon wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) designed for an average annual flow of 0.26 MGD. Princeton wastewater collected in the system is all pumped through the Main Lift station and goes to the WWTF. At the Main Lift Station there is a sampler for taking influent samples, a grinder, a grit pump and grit chamber for grit removal, and the flowmeter. The WWTF consists of three ponds including two aerated lagoons and one settling pond. Once effluent passes out of the polishing lagoon by means of a telescoping valve it travels through the chlorine contact chamber. Treated effluent from the WWTF is discharged to the Fox River. The WWTF is located on a hill to the northwest of the City where it is not subject to flooding. Influent must be pumped to it by means of a lift station. All lagoons were synthetically lined in 2004 and sludge has yet to accumulate to the point of requiring removal.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Sarah Adkins, DNR, 625 E Cty Rd Y Suite 700, Oshkosh, WI, 54901, (920) 360-3309, Sarah.Adkins@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Barti Oumarou, 625 E County Road Y, Suite 700, Oshkosh, WI 54901, (920) 424-4013, Barti.Oumarou@wisconsin.gov

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

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, or to request a public hearing, may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the above-named permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is issued. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if requested by any person and shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from 5 or more persons or if response to this notice indicates significant public interest pursuant to s. 283.49, Wis. Stats. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit, fact sheet and permit application, may be inspected and copied at either the above-named permit drafter's office or the above named basin engineer's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (920) 360-3309 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:

<u>http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html</u>. 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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