

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0026000-11-0

Permittee: Village of Tony, PO Box 12, Tony, WI, 54563

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Village of Tony, SW 1/4, Section 33, T35N-R5W, Town of Dewey, south of Tony Wisconsin

Receiving Water And Location: An effluent ditch to a wetland then into a roadside ditch to a tributary to Deer Tail Creek within the Deer Tail Watershed in the Upper Chippewa River Basin in Rusk County

Brief Facility Description and Summary of Proposed Changes: The Village of Tony owns and operates a wastewater treatment facility designed to treat 22,300 gallons per day currently treats an average of 16,000 gallons per day (2019 – 2023 data). The facility consists of two stabilization ponds operated one after another. Within these ponds naturally occurring bacteria and organisms already present in the wastewater metabolize organic solids. The treated wastewater (effluent) discharges to an effluent ditch draining to a wetland complex tributary then road ditch flowing about one mile before entering Deer Tail Creek.

It is the Department's intention to renew the permit for another term. The proposed new permit expiration date will be March 31, 2029. Limitations and conditions which the Department believes adequately protect the receiving water are included in the proposed permit. Significant changes from the previous permit include: [1] Influent and Effluent monitoring for BOD5, Total Suspended Solids has changed to weekly samples. [2] Effluent monitoring for pH, Dissolved Oxygen, Ammonia and Phosphorus has changed to weekly samples. [3] Effluent BOD5 and Total Suspended Solids limits have become more restrictive, interim limits and a schedule to meet the limits have been included. [4] Stringent effluent Phosphorus limits and a schedule to meet the limits have been included. [5] Effluent PFOS and PFOA monitoring has been added to the permit. [6] Annual effluent monitoring for the Nitrogen Series (nitrate +nitrite, total Kjeldahl nitrogen and total nitrogen) has been added.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Sheri A. Snowbank, DNR, 810 W Maple St, Spooner, WI, 54801, (715) 635-4131, Sheri.Snowbank@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Arthur Ryzak, DNR, N4103 Highway 27, Ladysmith, WI 54848, (715) 403-2924, arthur.ryzak@wisconsin.gov

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 (715) 635-4131 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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