

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION
SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0061263-06-0

Permittee: Ho Chunk Nation, 1230 South Boulevard, Baraboo, WI 53913

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Crockett's Resort, N. 2884 28th Ave., Lyndon Station, WI

Receiving Water and Location: the Wisconsin River in the Lower Lemonweir Watershed of the Lower Wisconsin River Basin in Juneau County

Brief Facility Description and Summary of Proposed Changes: Ho-Chunk Nation owns and operates Crockett's Resort for seasonal treatment and discharge (April – November) of domestic wastewaters. The annual average design flow of the facility is 0.045 million gallons per day (MGD). The actual annual average discharge in 2013 was 0.0013 MGD. Treatment of wastewater is achieved using an influent equalization basin, followed by two sequencing batch reactors (SBRs). Effluent is disinfected via chlorination (followed by dechlorination by addition of sodium bisulfite) prior to seasonal discharge to the Wisconsin River. Sludge is hauled to the Ho-Chunk Nation sewage treatment plant at Wisconsin Dells. No significant operational changes occurred in the last permit term or are proposed for the upcoming term. Significant effluent monitoring changes proposed are as follows: 1) Removal of the chlorine mass limit, 2) removal of the zinc limits and a reduction in the zinc monitoring frequency from monthly to quarterly, 3) addition of phosphorus monitoring, and 4) a change in the units for reporting flow from gpd to MGD and a change in the sample type from continuous to calculated. Also, a requirement has been added to the permit instructing the permittee that they may not add septage back into the treatment system that has been stored onsite over the winter.

Permit Drafter: Holly Heldstab, DNR, WCR Headquarters, 1300 W. Clairemont Ave., Eau Claire, WI 54701, (715) 839-1634, holly.heldstab@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer: Peter Pfefferkorn, DNR, 473 Griffith Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494, (715) 421-7868, peter.pfefferkorn@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 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 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, 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, permit information form (PIF), and permit application, may be inspected and copied at the permit drafter's or 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) 839-1634 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (usually 20 cents per page) will be charged for copies of information in the file other than the public notice and PIF. 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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