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Reply to Attn of: OWW-191

Lance Funk Farms
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Re: Additional Monitoring Requirements for Funk Farms gravel source under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Multi-Sector General Permit, Permit Reference No. IDR053082

Greetings Mr. Funk:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of watershed specific monitoring requirements that must be implemented at your facility to maintain permit coverage under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 2015 Multi-Sector General Permit for Storm water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity (MSGP). Based on the information provided in your Notice of Intent (NOI), storm water from the Funk Farms gravel source facility at Richards Road MP 0.6 in Rockland, Idaho (Facility) discharges into the south fork of Rock Creek. The south fork of Rock Creek is listed as impaired for sediment and the State of Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) has established a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL), as discussed in more detail below.

Basis for EPA to Add Additional Requirements

Part 2.2.2.1 of the MSGP, Existing Discharge to an Impaired Water with an EPA Approved or Established TMDL, states, "If you discharge to an impaired water with an EPA-approved or established TMDL, EPA will inform you whether any additional measures are necessary for your discharge to be consistent with the assumptions and requirements of the applicable TMDL and its wasteload allocation, or if coverage under an individual permit is necessary per Part 1.2.3." See also Part 6.2.5 of the MSGP (allowing EPA to notify a facility of additional monitoring requirements).

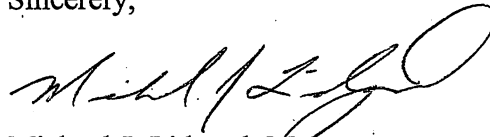
Specific Requirements

Pursuant to Parts 2.2.2.1 and 6.2.4.1 of the MSGP, the Facility is required to conduct storm water monitoring for sediment as Total Suspended Solids (TSS) following the standard benchmark monitoring procedures outlined in the MSGP at Part 6.2.1, but using the lower target level from the TMDL as the determinant for corrective action rather than the industrial sector benchmark of 100 mg/L.

Parameter	Benchmark Values	Source of Value
TSS	50 mg/L monthly avg, 80 mg/L daily max	The Lake Walcott Subbasin <u>Assessment</u> , Total Maximum Daily Load, and Implementation Plan [Pg 129]

If you have any questions, please contact Margaret McCauley of my staff at mccauley.margaret@epa.gov or (206) 553-1772.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Lidgard", with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Michael J. Lidgard, Manager
NPDES Permits Unit

cc: Dr. Balthasar Buhidar, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
