

STATE OF VERMONT
AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
103 SOUTH MAIN STREET
WATERBURY, VERMONT 05671-0405

NOTICE: **DRAFT** Indirect Discharge Permit Amendment ID-9-0074-1

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: **January 25, 2010 - 4:30 pm February 23, 2010**

PERMITTEE INFORMATION

PROJECT NAME: North Branch Fire District #1 WWTF
PERMITTEE NAME: North Branch Fire District #1
AND ADDRESS: 78 Dorr Fitch Road
 West Dover VT 05356
PERMIT NUMBER: ID-9-0074-1
 PIN: NS95-0155

DISCHARGE INFORMATION

TYPE OF WASTE: Domestic Sewage
TREATMENT SYSTEM: Activated Sludge
DISPOSAL CAPACITY: 475,000 gallons per day
DRAINAGE BASIN: Deerfield River
RECEIVING STREAMS: Ellis Brook and Deerfield River
EXPIRATION DATE: June 30, 2011

DESCRIPTION:

This is a draft indirect discharge permit amendment which the Department of Environmental Conservation proposes to issue to the permittee for the discharge of treated domestic sewage from a treatment, spray disposal system and proposed subsurface disposal system located at the North Branch Fire District #1 in the Town of Dover, Vermont. **This is a permit amendment approves the construction of a subsurface disposal option (Contract #1) for the wastewater treatment and disposal facility which includes ultraviolet disinfection of tertiary treated effluent prior to disposal in subsurface leachfields which discharge indirectly to** (continued)

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DESCRIPTION (continued):

the Deerfield River. These proposed fields are located in the Town of Wilmington, Vermont. The permit amendment also approves the construction of upgrades to the wastewater treatment facility (Contract #2) which replace the existing headworks with a new headworks, replace the existing oxidation ditches with a new anaerobic selector and new continuous loop reactors, upgrade the existing clarifiers and provide for alum addition to the treatment process prior to the clarifiers. The permit has been modified to include conditions regarding inspection of the construction of the subsurface disposal option and the upgrades to the wastewater treatment facility and also includes new effluent discharge limitations for subsurface disposal as well as additional monitoring requirements for that discharge.

TENTATIVE DETERMINATIONS

Tentative determinations regarding effluent limitations and other conditions to be imposed on the pending Vermont permit have been made by the State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VANR). The limitations imposed will assure that the Vermont Water Quality Standards and applicable provisions of 10 V.S.A. Chapter 47 will be met.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The complete application, proposed permit, and other information are on file and may be inspected at the VANR, Waterbury Office. The draft permit, public notice and fact sheet, if applicable, may be viewed and downloaded from our website at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/Drafts.htm> . Copies, obtained by calling (802) 241-3822, will be made at a cost of 10 cents per page from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public comments to the proposed permit are invited and should be submitted in writing prior to **4:30 p.m. February 23, 2010**, to the Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation, Sewing Building, 103 South Main Street, Waterbury, Vermont 05671-0405. Any person, prior to such date, may submit a request in writing to this office for an informal public hearing to consider the proposed permit. A hearing will be held only if response to this notice indicates significant public interest. The permit number (**ID-9-0074-1**) should appear next to the VANR address on the envelope and on the first page of any submitted comments. All comments received prior to the above date will be considered in formulation of the final determinations.

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to ANR.WWMD.PublicComment@state.vt.us Be sure to include the permit number, **ID-9-0074-1**, in the subject line of the e-mail message and submit the comments by **4:30 p.m. February 23, 2010**.

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FINAL/ACTION APPEAL

At the conclusion of the public notice period and after consideration of additional information received during the public notice period, the VANR will make a final determination to issue or to deny the permit. Pursuant to 10 V.S.A. Chapter 220, any appeal of this decision must be filed with the clerk of the Environmental Court within 30 days of the date of the decision. The appellant must attach to the Notice of Appeal the entry fee of \$225.00, payable to the state of Vermont.

The Notice of Appeal must specify the parties taking the appeal and the statutory provision under which each party claims party status; must designate the act or decision appealed from; must name the Environmental Court; and must be signed by the appellant or their attorney. In addition, the appeal must give the address or location and description of the property, project or facility with which the appeal is concerned and the name of the applicant or any permit involved in the appeal.

The appellant must also serve a copy of the Notice of Appeal in accordance with Rule 5(b)(4)(B) of the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings.

For further information, see the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings, available on line at www.vermontjudiciary.org. The address for the Environmental Court is 2418 Airport Road - Suite 1, Barre, Vermont 05641, tel (802) 828-1660.

Commissioner
Department of Environmental Conservation