



State of Vermont

AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Department of Environmental Conservation
Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division
103 South Main Street/Sewing Building
Waterbury, VT 05671-0404
(802) 241-3822

January 23, 2012

Sharon Roy, Clerk
Town of South Hero
P.O. Box 175
South Hero, VT 05486

RE: Public Notice for Draft Indirect Discharge Permit ID-9-0277
Ed Weed Fish Culture Station

Dear Ms. Roy,

Enclosed is a copy of a Public Notice for a draft indirect discharge permit which the Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources proposes to issue to the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife for the discharge of fish waste from the Ed Weed Fish Culture Station to a manure pit located on the Lakeside Jerseys Farm in South Hero, Vermont.

Please post the notice in a conspicuous location to be observed by the public until the close of business on February 28, 2012. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Harrington", written over a white background.

Bryan Harrington
Indirect Discharge Permit Section

Enclosure: Public Notice

cc (with Public Notice):

Kevin Kelsey, Vermont Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
Town of South Hero Selectmen
Town of South Hero Planning Commission
ID-9-0277 Permit File



PUBLIC NOTICE

DRAFT Indirect Discharge Permit ID-9-0277

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD January 30, 2012 to February 28, 2012

PERMITTEE INFORMATION

PROJECT NAME: Ed Weed Fish Culture Station
PERMITTEE NAME: Vermont Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
103 South Main St. – Building 10 South
Waterbury, VT 05671
PERMIT NUMBER: ID-9-0277
PIN: EJ95-0106

DISCHARGE INFORMATION

TYPE OF WASTE: Fish Feces and Waste Feed
DISPOSAL CAPACITY: 70,000 gallons per Year
DISPOSAL LOCATION: Manure Pit in South Hero, Vermont
DRAINAGE BASIN: Upper Lake Champlain
EXPIRATION DATE: March 31, 2017

DESCRIPTION

This is a draft indirect discharge permit which the Department of Environmental Conservation proposes to issue to the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife for the disposal of fish waste from the Ed Weed Fish Culture Station to a manure pit located on the Lakeside Jerseys Farm in South Hero, Vermont. The fish waste/manure mixture is to be managed in accordance with Agency of Agriculture's Accepted Agricultural Practices. **This is a permit renewal.**

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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, draft permit, and other information are on file and may be inspected at the VANR, Waterbury Office. The draft permit and public notice 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 28, 2012**, 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-9-0277**) 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-9-0277**, in the subject line of the e-mail message and submit the comments by **4:30 p.m. February 28, 2012**.

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 \$250.00, 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 online at www.vermontjudiciary.org. The address for the Environmental Court is 2418 Airport Road - Suite 1, Barre, VT 05641 (Tel. # 802-828-1660).

Commissioner
Department of Environmental Conservation