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Section 401 Water Quality Certification

2022-1326-49-EKB-A

The Ridge on Williams Creek

327 IAC 2. CWA Sections: 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, & 401

LRL-2022-988-sjk

IDEM Number:

USACE Number:

Project Name:

Authority:

Date of Issuance: A

Impacts must be completed by:

April 26, 2023 April 26, 2025

Approved:

Applicant / Permittee:

Agent:

Project Location:

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Brian Wolff, Branch Chief Surface Water and Operations Office of Water Quality

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Marion County

Latitude: 39.923984, Longitude: -86.173895

Half a mile west of Spring Mill Road and south of 96th Street in Indianapolis.



Project Description:

Discharge fill material into a total of 0.06 acre of forested wetlands to facilitate the construction of bio-retention pond.

Authorized Impacts

WETLAND IMPACT(S)	Area of Impact (acres)			
Type of Impact:	Open Water	Emergent	Scrub/Shrub	Forested
Cut/fill				0.04
Cut/fill				0.02
Application Signed: December 16, 2022				

Application Received: December 16, 2022

Application Amendments	February 16, 2023
Received:	

Based on available information, it is the judgment of this office that the impacts from the proposed project as outlined by this Section 401 Water Quality Certification and described in your application will comply with the applicable provisions of 327 IAC 2 and Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Clean Water Act if you comply with the conditions set forth below. Therefore, subject to the following conditions, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) hereby grants Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the project described in your application. Any changes in project design or scope not detailed in the application described above or modified by this Section 401 Water Quality Certification are not authorized.

Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this Section 401 Water Quality Certification may result in enforcement action against you. If an enforcement action is pursued, you could be assessed up to \$25,000 per day in civil penalties. You may also be subject to criminal liability if it is determined that the Section 401 Water Quality Certification was violated willfully or negligently.

Conditions of the Section 401 Water Quality Certification

1.0 General

 (a) Implement the project as depicted and described in the application for Section 401 Water Quality Certification as modified by the conditions of this certification.

- (b) Per 33 CFR 325.6(c), 327 IAC 5-2-6, IC 13-15-3-2 the federal license shall have an established timeframe. Therefore, all approved discharges must be completed within the term of the valid federal permit.
- (c) Per IC 13-14-2-2, the department may inspect public or private property to inspect for and investigate possible violations of environmental management laws. Therefore, the commissioner or an authorized representative of the commissioner (including an authorized contractor), upon the presentation of credentials must be allowed:
 - (1) to enter your property, including impact and mitigation site(s);
 - (2) to have access to and copy at reasonable times any records that must be kept under the conditions of this certification;
 - (3) to inspect, at reasonable times, any monitoring or operational equipment or method; collection, treatment, pollution management or discharge facility or device; practices required by this certification; and any mitigation wetland site;
 - (4) to sample or monitor any discharge of pollutants or any mitigation site.

2.0 Erosion and Sediment Control

Per 40 CFR 122.26, 327 IAC 15; 327 IAC 2-1; 327 IAC 2-1.5, the use of appropriate stormwater control measures and maintenance thereof will prevent any sediment laden water from migrating off site and entering waterways and wetlands, potentially impairing water quality. Therefore, the following erosion and sediment control steps must be completed.

- (a) Implement erosion and sediment control measures on the construction site prior to land disturbance to minimize soil from leaving the site or entering a waterbody. Erosion and sediment control measures shall be implemented using an appropriate order of construction (sequencing) relative to the landdisturbing activities associated with the project. Appropriate measures include, but are not limited to, silt fence, diversions, and sediment traps.
- (b) Monitor and maintain erosion control measures and devices regularly, especially after rain events, until all soils disturbed by construction activities have been permanently stabilized.
- (c) Use run-off control measures, including but not limited to diversions and slope drains. These measures are effective for directing and managing run-off to sediment control measures and for preventing direct run-off into waterbodies.

- (d) Install and make appropriate modifications to erosion and sediment control measures based on current site conditions as construction progresses on the site. The Indiana Storm Water Quality Manual or similar guidance documents are available to assist in the selection of measures that are applicable to individual project sites.
- (e) Implement appropriate erosion and sediment control measures for all temporary run-arounds, cofferdams, temporary causeways, temporary crossings, or other such structures that are to be constructed within any waters of the state. Minimize disturbance to riparian areas when constructing these structures. Structures must be included in reviewed designs or approved by IDEM prior to use. Construct temporary run-arounds, temporary cofferdams, temporary causeways, temporary crossings, or other such structures of nonerodible materials. Temporary crossings and causeways must be completely removed upon completion of the project and the affected area restored to preconstruction contours, grades, and vegetative conditions.
- (f) Install stream pump-around operations in accordance with the plans and ensure in-stream component is constructed of non-sediment producing materials. The discharge at the outlet shall not cause erosion of the stream bottom and banks.
- (g) Direct cofferdam dewatering activities to an appropriate sediment control measure or a combination of measures prior to discharging into a water of the state to minimize the discharge of sediment-laden water.
- (h) Ensure cut and fill slopes located adjacent to wetlands and streams (including encapsulated streams) or that directly discharge to these aquatic features are stabilized using rapid/incremental seeding or other appropriate stabilization measures.
- (i) Stabilize and re-vegetate disturbed soils as final grades are achieved. Initiation of stabilization must occur immediately or, at a minimum, within the requirements of a construction site run-off permit after work is completed. Use a mixture of herbaceous species beneficial for wildlife or an emergent wetland seed mix wherever possible and appropriate. Tall fescue may only be planted in ditch bottoms and ditch side slopes and must be a low endophyte seed mix. Stabilize the channel before releasing stream flows into the channel.
- (j) As work progresses, re-vegetate areas void of protective ground cover. Areas that are to be re-vegetated shall use seeding and anchored mulch. <u>If</u> <u>alternative methods are required to ensure stabilization, erosion control</u> <u>blankets may be used that are biodegradable, that use loose-woven/leno-</u> <u>woven netting to minimize the entrapment and snaring of small-bodied</u>

wildlife such as snakes and turtles (follow manufacturer's recommendations for selection and installation).

Anchor mulch. Anchoring shall be appropriate for the site characteristics such as slope, slope length, and concentrated flows. <u>Anchoring methods may</u> <u>not include loose netting over straw, but can range from crimping of</u> <u>straw, erosion control blankets as specified above that minimize wildlife</u> <u>entrapment, or net free blankets.</u> Tackifiers with mulch and hydro-mulch are acceptable and shall be applied to the manufacturer specifications.

3.0 Construction

Per 327 IAC 2-1-6(b)(4) the protection of existing uses for aquatic life is required and, per 327 IAC 2-1.3-2 (4) the utilization of best management practices helps ensure the protection of existing uses. Therefore, the following best management practices are required.

- (a) Avoid in stream channel work during the fish spawning season (April 1 through June 30).
- (b) Clearly mark wetlands and streams that are to remain undisturbed on the project site.
- (c) Restrict channel work and vegetation clearing to the minimum necessary for the installation of any structures. Work from only one side of the stream, and, where possible, from the side of the stream which does not have adjacent wetlands. If no wetlands are present, work from the side with the fewest trees and woody vegetation.
- (d) Ensure permanent in-stream structures, including but not limited to culverts and other stream encapsulations, are embedded and sized appropriately so as not to impede surface flows or create abnormal impediments to aquatic life.
- (e) Deposit any dredged material in a contained upland (non-wetland) disposal area to prevent sediment run-off to any waterbody.
- (f) Create temporary structures constructed in streams such that near normal stream flows are maintained. (327 IAC definitions Stream Design Flow)

Other Applicable Permits

Based on the proposed land disturbance, a construction stormwater general permit is required for the project. Permit coverage must be obtained prior to the initiation of land-

disturbing activities. Information related to obtaining permit coverage is available at www.in.gov/idem/stormwater or by contacting the IDEM, Stormwater Program at 317-233-1864 or via email at Stormwat@idem.IN.gov.

This certification does not relieve you of the responsibility of obtaining any other permits or authorizations that may be required for this project or related activities from IDEM or any other agency or person. You may wish to contact the Indiana Department of Natural Resources at 317-232-4160 (toll free at 877-928-3755) concerning the possible requirement of natural freshwater lake or floodway permits.

This certification does not:

- (1) Authorize impacts or activities outside the scope of this certification;
- (2) Authorize any injury to persons or private property or invasion of other private rights, or any infringement of federal, state or local laws or regulations;
- (3) Convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privileges;
- (4) Preempt any duty to obtain federal, state or local permits or authorizations required by law for the execution of the project or related activities; or
- (5) Authorize changes in the plan design detailed in the application.

Notice of Right to Administrative Review (Permits)

If you wish to challenge this permit, you must file a Petition for Administrative Review with the Office of Environmental Adjudication (OEA), and serve a copy of the petition upon IDEM. The requirements for filing a Petition for Administrative Review are found in IC 4-21.5-3-7, IC 13-15-6-1 and 315 IAC 1-3-2. A summary of the requirements of these laws is provided below.

A Petition for Administrative Review must be filed with the Office of Environmental Adjudication (OEA) within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this notice (eighteen (18) days if you received this notice by U.S. Mail), and a copy must be served upon IDEM. Addresses are:

Director Office of Environmental Adjudication Indiana Government Center North Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Commissioner Indiana Dept. of Environmental Management Indiana Government Center North 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N103 100 North Senate Avenue, Room 1301 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

The petition must contain the following information:

- (a) The name, address and telephone number of each petitioner.
- (b) A description of each petitioner's interest in the permit.
- (c) A statement of facts demonstrating that each petitioner is:

- (1) a person to whom the order is directed;
- (2) aggrieved or adversely affected by the permit; or
- (3) entitled to administrative review under any law.
- (d) The reasons for the request for administrative review.
- (e) The particular legal issues proposed for review.
- (f) The alleged environmental concerns or technical deficiencies of the permit.
- (g) The permit terms and conditions that the petitioner believes would be appropriate and would comply with the law.
- (h) The identity of any persons represented by the petitioner.
- (i) The identity of the person against whom administrative review is sought.
- (j) A copy of the permit that is the basis of the petition.
- (k) A statement identifying petitioner's attorney or other representative, if any.

Failure to meet the requirements of the law with respect to a Petition for Administrative Review may result in a waiver of your right to seek administrative review of the permit. Examples are:

- (a) Failure to file a Petition by the applicable deadline;
- (b) Failure to serve a copy of the Petition upon IDEM when it is filed; or
- (c) Failure to include the information required by law.

If you seek to have a permit stayed during the administrative review, you may need to file a Petition for a Stay of Effectiveness. The specific requirements for such a Petition can be found in 315 IAC 1-3-2 and 315 IAC 1-3-2.1.

Pursuant to IC 4-21.5-3-17, OEA will provide all parties with notice of any pre-hearing conferences, preliminary hearings, hearings, stays, or orders disposing of the review of this action. If you are entitled to notice under IC 4-21.5-3-5(b) and would like to obtain notices of any pre-hearing conferences, preliminary hearings, hearings, stays, or orders disposing of the review of this action without intervening in the proceeding you must submit a written request to OEA at the address above.

If you have procedural or scheduling questions regarding your Petition for Administrative Review, additional information on the review process is available at the website of the Office of Environmental Adjudication at http://www.in.gov/oea.

If you have any questions about this certification, please contact Eva Boyd, Project Manager, by email at <u>eboyd@IDEM.IN.Gov</u> or by phone at 317-306-8995.

cc: Sarah Keller, USACE – Louisville District Office Sarah Harrison, USFWS Brian Boszor, IDNR