



**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. MT-20-17**  
**November 16, 2020**

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this notice is to state the Department's intention to issue a wastewater discharge permit to the facility listed in this notice. This permit is issued by the Department under the authority of 75-5-402, Montana Code Annotated (MCA); the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.30.1301 *et seq.*, Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES); and Sections 402 and 303 of the Federal Clean Water Act. The Water Protection Bureau has prepared a draft permit for the facility listed below. Copies of the draft permit, fact sheet, and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website [www.deq.mt.gov](http://www.deq.mt.gov).

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: City of Havre

FACILITY NAME: City of Havre Wastewater Treatment Plant

FACILITY LOCATION: Hill County, 1204 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Havre, Montana

RECEIVING WATER: Milk River

OUTFALL: Outfall 001: 48.5594 N, -109.6625 W.

PERMIT NUMBER: MT0022535

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) proposes to renew the MPDES permit for the City of Havre Wastewater Treatment Plant discharge for a five-year cycle. Havre operates a biological nutrient removal system with ultraviolet disinfection. The facility is classified as a major publicly owned treatment works with a design flow of 1.8 million gallons per day.

DEQ is proposing to require a pollutant source evaluation and reduction, a mixing zone investigation, and to remove the effluent limit for total ammonia. All other permit limits are carried forward from the 2011-permit.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 17, 2020. Comments may be directed to the DEQ Water Quality Division, Water Protection Bureau, PO Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620. All comments received or postmarked PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 17, 2020, will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permits. If you wish to comment electronically, you may e-mail the Department at [DEQWPBPublicComments@mt.gov](mailto:DEQWPBPublicComments@mt.gov).

During the public comment period provided by the notice, the Department will accept requests for a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be in writing and must state the nature of the issue proposed to be raised in the hearing (ARM 17.30.1373).

The Department will respond to all substantive comments and issue a final decision within sixty days of this notice or as soon as possible thereafter. Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling (406) 444-5546, or by writing to the aforementioned address. The complete administrative record, including permit application and other pertinent information, is maintained at the Water Protection Bureau office in Helena and is available for review during business hours.

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