



PUBLIC NOTICE NO. MT-18-07
April 9, 2018

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this notice is to state the Department's intention to issue wastewater discharge permits to the facilities listed in this notice. These permits are 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); ARM 17.30.1001 *et seq.*, Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS); and Sections 402 and 303 of the Federal Clean Water Act. The Water Protection Bureau has prepared draft permits for the facilities listed below. Copies of the draft permits, fact sheets, and environmental assessments are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: Tollefson Properties, LLC

FACILITY NAME: Mill Creek Meadows Subdivision

FACILITY LOCATION: Mill Creek Road, Frenchtown, MT

RECEIVING WATER: Outfall 001 – Class I Ground Water

PERMIT NUMBER: MTX000243

A determination has been made by DEQ to issue a new Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS) permit, MTX000243, to Tollefson Properties LLC for the proposed Mill Creek Meadows Subdivision Facility. This permitting action authorizes discharge of treated wastewater to ground water. The scope of this permitting action is for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed wastewater treatment and disposal system.

The Mill Creek Meadows Subdivision is a subdivision consisting of 39 single family residential sites on 33.75 acres. The wastewater discharge for this subdivision (Outfall 001) is located on the property to the east and south of the subdivision owned by Alfred G. Deschamps. The subdivision is north and east of Frenchtown on Mill Creek Road.

The applicant proposes to build and operate a subsurface drain field for the discharge of wastewater from the Mill Creek Meadows Subdivision. The wastewater generated undergo on-site disposal. Wastewater treatment may include use of conventional residential septic tanks (or similar).

The proposed facility will use subsurface structures (Outfall 001) to discharge treated wastewater to underlying groundwater. The discharge structure's proposed location is: Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Township 15 North, Range 21 West; Latitude: 47.01140°, Longitude: -11.210744° West; Missoula County.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: Town of West Yellowstone
FACILITY NAME: Town of West Yellowstone Wastewater Treatment Facility
FACILITY LOCATION: Highway 20 West
RECEIVING WATER: Outfall 001 – Class I Ground Water
PERMIT NUMBER: MTX000244

A determination has been made by DEQ to issue a new Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS) permit, MTX000244, to Town of West Yellowstone for the Town of West Yellowstone Wastewater Treatment Facility. This permitting action authorizes discharge of treated wastewater to ground water. The scope of this permitting action is for the operation, and maintenance of the wastewater treatment and disposal system.

The applicant proposes to continue to operate an existing wastewater treatment facility. The wastewater generated by the Town of West Yellowstone will undergo treatment and on-site disposal. Wastewater treatment may include use of full aeration cells followed by Infiltration Percolation cells (or similar). DEQ recognizes that in comparison to conventional septic treatment, the proposed treatment system may provide a higher level of treatment for nutrients.

The proposed facility will use subsurface structures (Outfall 001) to discharge treated wastewater to underlying groundwater. The discharge structure's proposed location is: NE, SW, SW1/4 Section 28, T13S, R5E; Latitude: 44.667910°, Longitude: -111.128242°; Gallatin County.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAME: Town of Sunburst
P.O. Box 245
Sunburst, MT 59482

FACILITY NAME: Sunburst Wastewater Treatment Facility

FACILITY LOCATION: T36N, R2W, Section 20
Toole County

RECEIVING WATER: Unnamed ephemeral lake

PERMIT NUMBER: MT0021679

This permit is a reissuance of a Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES) permit for discharge of treated wastewater to an unnamed ephemeral lake. The Town of Sunburst (Sunburst) operates a three-cell, 9.4-acre facultative lagoon, constructed in 1980. The domestic wastewater collection and treatment system serves approximately 375 people. The Sunburst wastewater treatment facility discharges intermittently, usually in May and October for a period of 4-7 days each. The proposed permit will maintain existing national secondary treatment standards for five-day biochemical oxygen demand (BOD₅) and pH and alternative state requirements treatment for total suspended solids (TSS). The proposed permit requires periodic self-monitoring of discharge quality and quantity, with monthly reporting of results. This permit and Fact Sheet will be submitted to the EPA for approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited **ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 8, 2018**. 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 MAY 8, 2018**, 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 degwbppubliccomments@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 and 17.30.1024).

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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) 444-3080 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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