

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. MT-18-25 December 3, 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: City of Whitefish

PO Box 158

Whitefish MT 59937

FACILITY NAME: City of Whitefish

Water Treatment Plant

FACILITY LOCATION: 350 Reservoir Road

Whitefish MT 59937

RECEIVING WATER: Reservoir on unnamed tributary to Whitefish Lake

COUNTY: Flathead

PERMIT NUMBER: MT0030414

DEQ is proposing a draft Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES) permit renewal for the City of Whitefish water treatment plant (WTP). The WTP discharges filter backwash water to state waters. The effluent is treated to remove dissolved aluminum, total residual chlorine, and turbidity. The discharge must also comply with minimum and maximum pH limitations. The average discharge flow is 0.011 million gallons per day.

DEQ is proposing effluent limits and monitoring requirements for dissolved aluminum, total residual chlorine, turbidity, and pH.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: Genesis Partners LLC

FACILITY NAME: Genesis Business Park

FACILITY LOCATION: Stucky Road and S. 19th, Bozeman

RECEIVING WATER: Outfall 001 – Class I Ground Water

COUNTY: Gallatin

PERMIT NUMBER: MTX000223

A determination has been made by DEQ to reissue a Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS) permit, MTX000223, to Genesis Partners LLC for the Genesis Business Park. 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 proposed wastewater treatment and disposal system.

Genesis Business Park is applying to renew their existing ground water discharge permit which allows the discharge of treated wastewater to a subsurface drain field. Permits are reviewed prior to renewal every five years. Permit renewal is based on the permitted facility meeting limits placed on the facility.

Genesis Business Park has a recirculating sand filter treatment system. This type of treatment is considered Level 2 treatment. The Genesis Business Park is located on S. 19th and Stucky Road south of Bozeman.

The applicant proposes to continue to operate a Level 2 wastewater treatment facility at Genesis Business Park. The wastewater generated by the Genesis Business Park will undergo treatment and onsite disposal. Wastewater treatment may include use of a Level 2 recirculating sand filter (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 location is:

PLSS; T2S, R5E, NE, NE, NE, Section 23

Latitude: 45.656344°, Longitude: -111.068417°

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited <u>ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS - JANUARY 4, 2019.</u> Comments may be directed to the DEQ Water Quality Division, Water Protection Bureau, PO Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620. All comments received or postmarked <u>PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS - JANUARY 4, 2019,</u> 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 <u>DEQWPBPublicComments@mt.gov.</u>

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).

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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