

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

NUTRIENT-REDUCING WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM DESIGNATION FORM

DATE: June 28, 2011 (Updated January 2018)

APPLICATION SUBMITTAL DATE(S): December 6, 2004, January 7, 2005, April 11, 2005, and April 6, 2011

SYSTEM MANUFACTURER: Northwest Water Systems, Inc. (NWS)

SYSTEM NAME(S): NWS model 2400 sequencing batch reactor

DESIGNATED TREATMENT LEVEL¹: Level 2 (Can use 24 mg/L for effluent total nitrogen concentration in nitrate sensitivity analysis)

CONDITIONS:

A. All NWS 2400 systems are required to obtain a Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS) Permit pursuant to Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.30.1022(1)(e) and (f) due to the high operation and maintenance requirements for this system.

B. This approval does not extend to NWS 2400 systems that serve facilities with either highly variable wastewater flows or wastewater quality. These facilities include but are not limited to schools, churches, and camps. The effluent data submitted indicated that the NWS 2400 does not provide adequate or consistent nitrogen reduction in facilities with variable wastewater characteristics. To ensure consistent wastewater flows, this approval is valid only for facilities where at least 90% of the design wastewater flow is coming from residential units (or commercial units) where consistent year-round occupancy is anticipated.

C. This approval is also valid for NWS 2400 systems that have additional treatment steps, such as filtration, coagulation, disinfection, or methanol addition, as long as the additional treatment does not affect the basic SBR processes.

D. Approval is valid for residential and non-residential facilities with residential strength wastewater as defined in section 1.2.72 of DEQ 4 – 2013 edition). For systems accepting high strength wastes (as defined in section 1.2.39 of DEQ 4 - 2013 edition) the level 2 designation is valid with proper pre-treatment in compliance with all applicable rules, design standards and as approved by the Department.

APPROVED BY: Eric Regensburger

NOTES:

1 The definitions of level 1a, level 1b, and level 2 are in ARM 17.30.702(9), (10) and (11), respectively.