



## Montana DEQ Nutrient Trading Program Application Instructions

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- For most fields, hovering over the text box/check box will provide further instructions.
- There is no word limit on the text boxes, they will scroll as you type.
- Some check boxes will automatically populate:
  - By leaving the TMDL document ID text box blank (i.e., there is not an applicable TMDL) the WQBEL and existing land practices check boxes will be checked for the applicable baseline questions.
  - By filling in the TMDL document ID text box (i.e., there is an applicable TMDL) the WLA and LA check boxes will be checked for the applicable baseline questions.
- Ensure the application form is complete and all attachments accompany the application. Applications with missing attachments will be denied and DEQ will request the application be resubmitted with the missing information/ appropriate attachments.
- DEQ will review this application to trade and evaluate whether the proposal is suitable for inclusion in a draft MPDES permit, based upon the requirements described in Circular DEQ-13. Based on this evaluation, DEQ may determine that the proposal is acceptable as submitted, acceptable only with additional conditions, or not acceptable. A trade is not approved or effective until DEQ issues a final MPDES permit incorporating the trade as enforceable permit conditions.
- All applications should be returned in PDF format.



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## 4. Credit Applicant Documentation

Facility name

MPDES permit #

MPDES permit expiration date

mm/dd/yyyy

Will you be requesting a permit modification?

Yes

No

Applicable baseline

WQBEL

WLA derived WQBEL

Baseline load

and/or

Nitrogen (lbs/day)

Phosphorus (lbs/day)

Current effluent discharge

and/or

Nitrogen (lbs/day)

Phosphorus (lbs/day)

Credits applied

and/or

Nitrogen (lbs/day)

Phosphorus (lbs/day)

Projected load

and/or

Nitrogen (lbs/day)

Phosphorus (lbs/day)

Design flow (mgd)

Actual annual average flow rate (mgd)

Two years ago

Last year

This year

Actual maximum daily flow rate (mgd)

Two year ago

Last year

This year

## 5. Credit Generator Documentation

Organization name

Primary contact name/title  
(if organization)

Mailing address

Phone

Email

**If point source:**

MPDES permit #

MPDES permit expiration date

mm/dd/yyyy

Applicable baseline

WQBEL

WLA derived WQBEL

Baseline load

and/or

Nitrogen (lbs/day)

Phosphorus (lbs/day)

Current effluent discharge

and/or

Nitrogen (lbs/day)

Phosphorus (lbs/day)

Load reduction

and/or

Nitrogen (lbs/day)

Phosphorus (lbs/day)

Projected load

and/or

Nitrogen (lbs/day)

Phosphorus (lbs/day)

Design flow (mgd)

Actual annual average flow rate (mgd)

Two years ago

Last year

This year

Actual maximum daily flow rate (mgd)

Two years ago

Last year

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## If nonpoint source:

|                                   |                         |                      |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Applicable baseline               | Existing land practices | LA                   |
| LA source type (if applicable)    |                         |                      |
| LA (if applicable)                |                         | and/or               |
|                                   | Nitrogen (lbs/day)      | Phosphorus (lbs/day) |
| Current load                      |                         |                      |
|                                   | Nitrogen (lbs/day)      | Phosphorus (lbs/day) |
| Current load modeled or measured? | Modeled                 | Measured             |

## 6. Timeline and Attachments

Implementation timeline

|                       |                               |                                                         |                              |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                       | Maps/GIS figures              | Load calculations/modeling documentation                |                              |
| Attachments checklist | Contract/MOU                  | Landowner agreement                                     | Site-specific monitoring SAP |
|                       | Performance verification plan | Improvement ratio calculations and data (if applicable) |                              |
|                       | Other, please list            |                                                         |                              |

## 7. Certification

By checking this box, the applicant acknowledges the burden of compliance falls on the permittee. The permittee is responsible for meeting effluent limitations derived from water quality standards regardless of whether the trading partners comply with the terms of a trade agreement.

Applicant authorized representative

Title

Date

Signature

Credit generator authorized representative

Title

Date

Signature

The undersigned certifies that the information submitted in this application is true, accurate, and complete to the best of the signer's knowledge and that the proposed trade will be implemented consistent with applicable Montana law, permit requirements, and DEQ approval conditions.