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March 28, 2016

Ms. Marilla Webb, Town Clerk
Town of Addison
65 VT Route 17 W
Addison, VT 05491

Dear Ms. Webb:

Enclosed is a copy of a public notice regarding the public comment period for the issuance of a **draft discharge permit to the Tri-Town Water District #1, authorizing the discharge of treated filter backwash to Oven Bay of Lake Champlain**. Please post in a public place for disseminating this information to the local officials and residents. We are also sending copies of this notice to other local officials and interested persons who have asked to be included on our mailing list.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ernest Kelley', written over a horizontal line.

Ernest F. Kelley, Manager
Wastewater Management Program

Enclosures (2)

AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT DIVISION
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MONTPELIER, VERMONT 05620-3522

NOTICE: DRAFT DISCHARGE PERMIT

PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER: 3-1250

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: April 4 – May 4, 2016

PERMITTEE INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: Tri-Town Water District #1

PERMITTEE ADDRESS: P.O. Box 85
Bridport, VT 05734

PERMIT NUMBER: 3-1250

PROJECT ID NUMBER: RU96-0232

DISCHARGE INFORMATION

NATURE: Filter backwash wastewater

VOLUME: 160,000 gallons per day, monthly average

RECEIVING WATER: Oven Bay of Lake Champlain

EXPIRATION DATE: **March 31, 2021**

DESCRIPTION: This is a draft discharge permit proposed for issuance to the Tri-Town Water District #1 for the discharge of treated filter backwash from the water treatment plant located at 822 Tri-Town Road, Addison Vermont into Oven Bay of Lake Champlain.

TENTATIVE DETERMINATIONS

Tentative determinations regarding effluent limitations and other conditions to be imposed on the pending Vermont permit have been made by the State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VANR). The limitations imposed will assure that the Vermont Water Quality Standards and applicable provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act, PL 92-500, as amended, will be met.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The complete application, proposed permit, and other information are on file and may be inspected by appointment on the 2nd floor of the Main Building at 1 National Life Drive, Montpelier, Vermont. Copies, obtained by calling 802-828-1535 from 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, will be made at a cost based upon the current Secretary of State Official Fee Schedule for Copying Public Records. The draft permit and fact sheet may also be viewed on the Division's website at <http://www.watershedmanagement.vt.gov/>

PUBLIC COMMENTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

Written public comments on the proposed permit are invited and must be received on or before the close of business day (4:30 pm) **May 4, 2016** to the Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation, Watershed Management Division, 1 National Life Drive, Main Building, 2nd Floor, Vermont 05620-3522. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail using the e-mail comment provisions included at <http://www.watershedmanagement.vt.gov/>. All comments received by the above date will be considered in formulation of the final determinations.

During the notice period, any person may submit a written request to this office for a public hearing to consider the proposed permit. The request must state the interest of the party filing such request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. A hearing will be held if there is a significant public interest (including the filing of requests or petitions for such hearing) in holding such a hearing.

FINAL ACTION/RIGHTS TO APPEAL TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COURT

At the conclusion of the public notice period and after consideration of additional information received during the public notice period, the VANR will make a final determination to issue or to deny the permit. Pursuant to 10 V.S.A. Chapter 220, any appeal of this decision must be filed with the clerk of the Environmental Court within 30 days of the date of the decision. The appellant must attach to the Notice of Appeal, the entry fee of \$262.50, payable to the state of Vermont.

The Notice of Appeal must specify the parties taking the appeal and the statutory provision under which each party claims party status; must designate the act or decision appealed from; must name the Environmental Court; and must be signed by the appellant or their attorney. In addition, the appeal must give the address or location and the description of the property, project or facility with which the appeal is concerned and the name of the applicant or any permit involved in the appeal.

The appellant must also serve a copy of the Notice of Appeal in accordance with Rule 5(b)(4)(B) of the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings.

The address for the Vermont Environmental Court is: Vermont Superior Court, Environmental Division, 32 Cherry Street, 2nd Floor, Suite 303, Burlington VT 05401 (Tel. (802) 951-1740). For further information, see the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings, available online at www.vermontjudiciary.org.

David K. Mears, Commissioner
Department of Environmental Conservation