

Application Type Renewal
Facility Type Sewage
Major / Minor Minor

**NPDES PERMIT FACT SHEET
ADDENDUM**

Application No. PA0020940
APS ID 598462
Authorization ID 1464225

Applicant and Facility Information

Applicant Name	<u>Tunkhannock Borough Municipal Authority</u>	Facility Name	<u>Tunkhannock Borough Municipal Authority</u>
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Client ID	<u>73970</u>	Site ID	<u>256620</u>
SIC Code	<u>4952</u>	Municipality	<u>Tunkhannock Borough</u>
SIC Description	<u>Trans. & Utilities - Sewerage Systems</u>	County	<u>Wyoming</u>
Date Published in PA Bulletin	<u>January 10, 2026</u>	EPA Waived?	<u>Yes</u>
Comment Period End Date	<u>February 10, 2026</u>	If No, Reason	<u>-</u>
Purpose of Application	<u>Renewal of NPDES permit for discharge of treated sewage.</u>		

Internal Review and Recommendations

The first draft of this NPDES Permit was issued on October 9, 2025 and appeared in the PA Bulletin on October 25, 2025. A second draft of this NPDES Permit was issued on December 19, 2025 and appeared in the PA Bulletin on January 10, 2026.

Two comment letters were received by the permittee via email and mail. The first letter is dated January 15, 2026. The WQM 7.0 modeling results were then emailed to the permittee on January 22, 2026. The second comment letter dated January 29, 2026 was then received. The letters address the same concerns. The full comment letters can be provided by the Department for reference upon request.

Comment # 1 – The permittee requests that the 8-hour composite sampling be maintained from the previous permit instead of increasing to 24-hour composite sampling. The “Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Clean Water Program – New and Reissuance Sewage Individual NPDES Permit Applications (SOP No. BCW-PMT-002) states that for “existing facilities with effluent violations in the past two years with design flows \geq 0.1 MGD, 24-hour composite sampling will be used for conventional and toxic pollutants except where grab sampling is appropriate (e.g., TRC, Fecal Coliform, pH, DO, etc.)”. The permittee has had violations in the past 2 years; however, the permittee would like a reprieve from this requirement because the previous violations were for grab-sample parameters only.

Response – The Department will allow for the 8-hour composite sampling to remain in this permit cycle. The third draft permit has been revised to show this change.

Comment # 2 – The permittee requests clarification regarding the 5.0 mg/L Dissolved Oxygen (DO) limitation and expresses their disagreement of this limitation.

Response – Per the Table and Note 6 in the “SOP for Clean Water Program Establishing Effluent Limitations for Individual Sewage Permits” (SOP), the 4.0 mg/L is the least strict limitation that the Department should allow for DO

Approve	Return	Deny	Signatures	Date
X			 Allison Seyfried Zukosky / Project Manager	March 12, 2026
X			 Edward Dudick, P.E. / Environmental Engineer Manager	March 12, 2026

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regardless of modeling. It is noted that the receiving water is a Trout Stocking Stream which should be meeting a minimum 7-day average of 6.0 mg/L for DO during February 15 to July 31 per the PA Code § 93.7. The permittee is correct in their statement that the PA Code § 93.7 is the water quality criteria for surface waters; however, Note 6 in the SOP also indicates “the minimum DO limit may need to be increased due to water quality considerations”. Since the permittee has never had any limitations or monitoring/reporting for DO in their NPDES Permit and WQM 7.0 is not indicating strict limitations are needed, the Department will allow for monitoring/ reporting of DO for the full permit cycle. This will allow the permittee to collect data to see what their plant is capable of producing and allow the Department to have more data to analyze in the next permit cycle.



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