

Southeast Regional Office

CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

Application Type Renewal  
 Facility Type Municipal  
 Major / Minor Major

**NPDES PERMIT FACT SHEET  
 INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE**

Application No. PA0021172  
 APS ID 996621  
 Authorization ID 1279056

**Applicant and Facility Information**

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|---------------------------|--|------------------|--|
| Applicant Name            | <u>Bucks County Water &amp; Sewer Authority</u>                | Facility Name    | <u>Harvey Ave WWTP</u>                                       |
| Applicant Address         | <u>1275 Almshouse Road</u><br><u>Warrington, PA 18976-1209</u> | Facility Address | <u>300 Harvey Avenue</u><br><u>Doylestown, PA 18901-3601</u> |
| Applicant Contact         | <u>John Butler</u>   | Facility Contact | <u>Len Hughes</u>  |
| Applicant Phone           | <u>(215) 343-2538</u>  | Facility Phone   | <u>(215) 348-7645</u>  |
| Client ID                 | <u>93895</u>   | Site ID          | <u>451565</u>  |
| Ch 94 Load Status         | <u>Not Overloaded</u>  | Municipality     | <u>Doylestown Borough</u>                                    |
| Connection Status         | <u>No Limitations</u>  | County           | <u>Bucks</u>   |
| Date Application Received | <u>June 21, 2019</u>   | EPA Waived?      | <u>No</u>  |
| Date Application Accepted | <u></u>  | If No, Reason    | <u>Major Facility, Pretreatment</u>                          |
| Purpose of Application    | <u>Permit Renewal.</u>   |                  |  |

**Summary of Review**

The applicant has submitted a renewal application for their NPDES permit to discharge the treated sewage through Outfall 001 and stormwater runoffs through 4 (four) outfalls (002, 003, 004, 005) to Cooks Run – WWF, MF.

The facility serves following townships:

- Doylestown Borough
- Doylestown TWP
- Plumsted TWP
- New Britain TWP
- Buckingham TWP
- Bedminster TWP

The facility consists of Preliminary treatment: grit and screening removal following by activated sludge and final sedimentation. Disinfection is provided by UV system. Waste sludge from secondary clarifiers is aerobically digested. The digested sludge is dewatered by centrifuges and hauled to a municipal solids waste landfill. Plant has an oxidation ditch process and an A20 process to remove nitrogen and phosphorous biologically. Phosphorous is also removed chemically.

There is one (1) industrial User is connected to Harvey Ave WWTP: PH Tool, LLC – 40 CFR; 413 with 388 GPD flow.

The facility is excepting hauled-in municipal wastes. Facility receives sludges from Kings Plaza WWTP and Green street WWTP.

| Approve | Deny | Signatures   | Date     |
|---------|------|--|----------|
| X       |      | <i>Begay Omuralieva</i><br>Begay Omuralieva / Environmental Engineering Specialist | 2/4/2022 |
| X       |      | <i>Pravin Patel</i><br>Pravin C. Patel, P.E. / Environmental Engineer Manager      | 2/4/2022 |

### Summary of Review

Based on Chapter 94 Municipal waste load management annual reports, facility is not overloaded hydraulically nor organically.

#### Outfall 001:

Development of Effluent Limitations and monitoring requirements are stated on pps. 9-11 of this factsheet. Proposed Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements are listed on pps. 12-15.

Outfall 002 monitored as representative for Outfall 003, 004 and 005. Monitoring requirements and limits are remaining the same as were established in previous permit.

Sludge use and disposal description and location(s): All digested and dewatered sludge is hauled to Fairless Municipal Landfill.

#### Act 14 Notification:

Doylestown Borough and Bucks County Office of Commissioners were notified about NPDES permit renewal application on April 8, 2019

#### Public Participation

DEP will publish notice of the receipt of the NPDES permit application and a tentative decision to issue the individual NPDES permit in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* in accordance with 25 Pa. Code § 92a.82. Upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, DEP will accept written comments from interested persons for a 30-day period (which may be extended for one additional 15-day period at DEP's discretion), which will be considered in making a final decision on the application. Any person may request or petition for a public hearing with respect to the application. A public hearing may be held if DEP determines that there is significant public interest in holding a hearing. If a hearing is held, notice of the hearing will be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* at least 30 days prior to the hearing and in at least one newspaper of general circulation within the geographical area of the discharge.

| Discharge, Receiving Waters and Water Supply Information              |  |                              |                        |
|---|--|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Outfall No.   | <u>001</u>   | Design Flow (MGD)            | <u>1.6</u>             |
| Latitude  | <u>40° 18' 54.64"</u>  | Longitude                    | <u>-75° 8' 20.06"</u>  |
| Quad Name   | <u>Doylestown</u>  | Quad Code                    | <u>1644</u>            |
| Wastewater Description: <u>Sewage Effluent from Harvey Avenue STP</u> |  |                              |                        |
| Receiving Waters  | <u>Cooks Run (WWF, MF)</u>   | Stream Code                  | <u>02776</u>           |
| NHD Com ID  | <u>25478844</u>  | RMI                          | <u>3.09</u>            |
| Drainage Area   | <u>1.1</u>   | Yield (cfs/mi <sup>2</sup> ) | <u>0.07</u>            |
| Q <sub>7-10</sub> Flow (cfs)  | <u>0.07*</u>   | Q <sub>7-10</sub> Basis      | <u>2009 WQPR</u>       |
| Elevation (ft)  | <u>327.7</u>   | Slope (ft/ft)                | <u></u>                |
| Watershed No.   | <u>2-F</u>   | Chapter 93 Class.            | <u>WWF, MF</u>         |
| Existing Use  | <u></u>  | Existing Use Qualifier       | <u></u>                |
| Exceptions to Use   | <u></u>  | Exceptions to Criteria       | <u></u>                |
| Assessment Status   | <u>Impaired</u>  |                              |                        |
| Cause(s) of Impairment  | <u>NUTRIENTS, NUTRIENTS, PATHOGENS, SILTATION</u>                                    |                              |                        |
| Source(s) of Impairment   | <u>MUNICIPAL POINT SOURCE DISCHARGES, SOURCE UNKNOWN, URBAN RUNOFF/STORM SEWERS,</u> |                              |                        |
| TMDL Status   | <u>Withdrawn</u>   | Name                         | <u>Neshaminy Creek</u> |
| Nearest Downstream Public Water Supply Intake <u></u>                 |  |                              |                        |
| PWS Waters  | <u>Neshaminy Creek</u>   | Flow at Intake (cfs)         | <u></u>                |
| PWS RMI   | <u>33 mi</u>   | Distance from Outfall (mi)   | <u></u>                |

Changes Since Last Permit Issuance: none

The Q<sub>7-10</sub> flow of 0.07-cfs was taken from the 2009 Water Quality Protection Report. The drainage area was checked using the USGS StreamStat website and it was delineated at 1.17 mi<sup>2</sup>. A reference linked on the USGS website (Stucky and Rowland, 2011) estimates a long term LFY of 0.06 cfs/mi<sup>2</sup> for the Neshaminy Creek watershed. Therefore, the Q<sub>7-10</sub> flow of 0.077-cfs listed in the 2009 WQPR is determined to be reasonable.

| Discharge, Receiving Waters and Water Supply Information |   |                              |                 |
|--|---|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Outfall No.  | 002   |                              |                 |
| Latitude   | 40° 18' 54.12"  | Longitude                    | -75° 8' 21.14"  |
| Quad Name  | Doylestown  | Quad Code                    | 1644            |
| Wastewater Description: Stormwater                       |   |                              |                 |
| Receiving Waters   | Cooks Run (WWF, MF)   | Stream Code                  | 02776           |
| NHD Com ID   | 25478844  | RMI                          | 3.09            |
| Drainage Area  | 1.1   | Yield (cfs/mi <sup>2</sup> ) | 0.07            |
| Q <sub>7-10</sub> Flow (cfs)                             | 0.07  | Q <sub>7-10</sub> Basis      | 2009 WQPR       |
| Elevation (ft)   | 327.7   | Slope (ft/ft)                |                 |
| Watershed No.  | 2-F   | Chapter 93 Class.            | WWF, MF         |
| Existing Use   |   | Existing Use Qualifier       |                 |
| Exceptions to Use  |   | Exceptions to Criteria       |                 |
| Assessment Status  | Impaired  |                              |                 |
| Cause(s) of Impairment                                   | NUTRIENTS, NUTRIENTS, PATHOGENS, SILTATION  |                              |                 |
| Source(s) of Impairment                                  | MUNICIPAL POINT SOURCE DISCHARGES, SOURCE UNKNOWN, URBAN RUNOFF/STORM SEWERS, URBAN RUNOFF/STORM SEWERS |                              |                 |
| TMDL Status  | Final   | Name                         | Neshaminy Creek |

Changes Since Last Permit Issuance: none

| Treatment Facility Summary                 |                                   |                     |                            |                               |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Treatment Facility Name: Harvey Avenue STP |                                   |                     |                            |                               |
| <b>WQM Permit No.</b>                      | <b>Issuance Date</b>              |                     |                            |                               |
| 0909410                                    | 05/03/2010                        |                     |                            |                               |
| <b>Waste Type</b>                          | <b>Degree of Treatment</b>        | <b>Process Type</b> | <b>Disinfection</b>        | <b>Avg Annual Flow (MGD)</b>  |
| Sewage                                     | Secondary with Ammonia Reduction  | Oxidation Ditch     | Ultraviolet                | 1.6                           |
| <b>Hydraulic Capacity (MGD)</b>            | <b>Organic Capacity (lbs/day)</b> | <b>Load Status</b>  | <b>Biosolids Treatment</b> | <b>Biosolids Use/Disposal</b> |
| 1.6  | 4073                              | Not Overloaded      | Aerobic Digestion          | Landfill                      |

Changes Since Last Permit Issuance: none

Compliance History

DMR Data for Outfall 001 (from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021)

| Parameter   | SEP-21 | AUG-21 | JUL-21 | JUN-21 | MAY-21 | APR-21 | MAR-21  | FEB-21 | JAN-21 | DEC-20 | NOV-20 | OCT-20 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Flow (MGD)<br>Average Monthly                             | 1.024  | 0.879  | 0.889  | 0.949  | 0.909  | 0.9775 | 1.165   | 1.051  | 0.996  | 1.042  | 0.921  | 0.895  |
| Flow (MGD)<br>Daily Maximum                               | 2.633  | 1.081  | 1.23   | 1.448  | 1.241  | 1.42   | 1.516   | 1.855  | 1.266  | 1.581  | 1.924  | 1.473  |
| pH (S.U.)<br>Minimum                                      | 6.48   | 6.94   | 7.08   | 7.09   | 6.93   | 6.65   | 6.69    | 6.35   | 6.16   | 6.64   | 6.71   | 6.81   |
| pH (S.U.)<br>Maximum                                      | 7.96   | 7.79   | 7.73   | 7.73   | 7.74   | 7.71   | 7.53    | 7.76   | 7.51   | 7.92   | 7.71   | 7.97   |
| DO (mg/L)<br>Minimum                                      | 5.3    | 7.02   | 6.85   | 6.92   | 7.01   | 7.22   | 8.1     | 8.98   | 8.58   | 8.7    | 7.09   | 7.28   |
| CBOD5 (lbs/day)<br>Average Monthly                        | < 15   | < 15   | < 15   | < 15   | < 15   | < 15   | < 24    | < 18   | < 17   | < 18   | < 18   | < 15   |
| CBOD5 (lbs/day)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Average Monthly | 1685   | 1726   | 62060  | 2134   | 2091   | 1765   | < 1494  | 1568   | 1480   | 1633   | 1421   | 1618   |
| CBOD5 (lbs/day)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Weekly Average  | 2074   | 1931   | 2179   | 2670   | 2158   | 1838   | 2133    | 1880   | 1864   | 2129   | 1798   | 1854   |
| CBOD5 (lbs/day)<br>Weekly Average                         | < 16   | < 16   | < 16   | < 17   | < 10   | < 18   | 47      | < 24   | < 20   | < 26   | < 17   | < 16   |
| CBOD5 (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                           | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2     | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    |
| CBOD5 (mg/L)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Average Monthly    | 219    | 272    | 268    | 280    | 272    | 201.3  | < 165.2 | 173    | 175    | 193.3  | 171    | 222    |
| CBOD5 (mg/L)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Weekly Average     | 288    | 284    | 305    | 316    | 277    | 226.5  | 264     | 208    | 219    | 278.5  | 228    | 261    |
| CBOD5 (mg/L)<br>Weekly Average                            | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | 4       | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    | < 2    |
| BOD5 (lbs/day)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Average Monthly  | 1949   | 2307   | 2311   | 2402   | 2307   | 2144   | < 1912  | 2128   | 2792   | 2475   | 2385   | 2422   |

**NPDES Permit Fact Sheet  
Harvey Ave WWTP**

**NPDES Permit No. PA0021172**

|  |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| BOD5 (lbs/day)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Weekly Average    | 2424 | 2611 | 2444 | 3095 | 2307 | 2327 | 2602  | 2339 | 3276 | 2738 | 2879 | 2487 |
| BOD5 (mg/L)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Average Monthly      | 253  | 318  | 308  | 315  | 302  | 255  | < 209 | 240  | 335  | 284  | 289  | 332  |
| BOD5 (mg/L)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Weekly Average       | 336  | 348  | 336  | 366  | 329  | 286  | 321   | 291  | 425  | 330  | 368  | 366  |
| TSS (lbs/day)<br>Average Monthly                           | < 23 | 19   | < 19 | < 18 | 14   | 27   | < 24  | < 24 | < 17 | 74   | 66   | < 22 |
| TSS (lbs/day)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Average Monthly    | 1666 | 1550 | 1702 | 1851 | < 14 | 1363 | 1119  | 1172 | 2317 | 1884 | 2009 | 2226 |
| TSS (lbs/day)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Weekly Average     | 2031 | 2137 | 2467 | 2501 | 21   | 1382 | 1904  | 1620 | 2793 | 2437 | 2602 | 2872 |
| TSS (lbs/day)<br>Weekly Average                            | < 35 | 24   | 29   | < 40 | 21   | 59   | 39    | 56   | < 33 | 219  | 68   | 46   |
| TSS (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                              | < 3  | 3    | < 3  | < 2  | 2    | 3    | < 3   | 2    | < 2  | 9    | 6    | < 3  |
| TSS (mg/L)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Average Monthly       | 217  | 212  | 234  | 243  | < 2  | 165  | 124   | 136  | 281  | 220  | 234  | 302  |
| TSS (mg/L)<br>Raw Sewage Influent<br>Weekly Average        | 260  | 285  | 346  | 300  | 3    | 177  | 235   | 201  | 368  | 297  | 330  | 293  |
| TSS (mg/L)<br>Weekly Average                               | 6    | 4    | 4    | < 5  | 3    | 8    | 5     | 4    | < 4  | 16   | 8    | 7    |
| Total Dissolved Solids<br>(mg/L)<br>Average Monthly        | 501  |      |      | 704  |      |      | 810   |      |      | 361  |      |      |
| Total Dissolved Solids<br>(mg/L)<br>Daily Maximum          | 501  |      |      | 704  |      |      | 810   |      |      | 361  |      |      |
| Fecal Coliform<br>(CFU/100 ml)<br>Geometric Mean           | < 4  | < 4  | < 4  | < 3  | < 5  | < 4  | < 3   | < 3  | < 4  | < 2  | < 3  | < 4  |
| Fecal Coliform<br>(CFU/100 ml)<br>Instantaneous<br>Maximum | 13   | 34   | 8    | 7    | 21   | 27   | 16    | 7    | 13   | 3    | 7    | 10   |
| UV Intensity (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> )<br>Daily Minimum        | 3.33 | 4.92 | 4.95 | 2.59 | 2.6  | 2.64 | 2.68  | 2.71 | 2.73 | 2.67 | 2.79 | 2.33 |

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|  |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |         |         |        |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| Nitrate-Nitrite (lbs/day)<br>Average Monthly                         | < 60   | < 58   | < 51   | < 58   | < 57   | < 69   | < 75   | < 105  | < 92    | < 102   | < 93    | < 68   |
| Nitrate-Nitrite (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                            | < 8    | < 8    | < 7    | < 7.65 | < 7.54 | < 8.1  | < 8.16 | < 11.5 | < 10.87 | < 11.71 | < 10.66 | < 9    |
| Ammonia (lbs/day)<br>Average Monthly                                 | < 0.8  | < 0.7  | < 9.0  | < 0.8  | < 0.8  | < 0.9  | < 1.8  | < 3.2  | < 2.9   | < 2.6   | < 2.6   | < 0.7  |
| Ammonia (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                                    | < 0.1  | < 0.1  | < 0.1  | < 0.1  | < 0.1  | < 0.1  | < 0.1  | < 0.4  | < 0.3   | < 0.3   | < 0.20  | < 0.1  |
| TKN (lbs/day)<br>Average Monthly                                     | < 4    | < 4    | 4      | 4      | 7      | 7      | 16     | 16     | 9       | 9       | 8       | 6      |
| TKN (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly  | < 0.5  | < 0.57 | 0.53   | 0.5    | 1.02   | 0.82   | 1.49   | 1.85   | 0.90    | 1       | 1.08    | 0.87   |
| Total Phosphorus<br>(lbs/day)<br>Average Monthly                     | 0.8    | 0.9    | 1.1    | 0.9    | 0.9    | < 0.8  | 1.4    | < 1.4  | 1.4     | 3.1     | 3.7     | < 1.5  |
| Total Phosphorus<br>(mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                        | 0.1    | 0.1    | 0.1    | 0.1    | 0.1    | < 0.1  | 0.20   | < 0.20 | 0.20    | 0.40    | 0.30    | < 0.2  |
| Total Aluminum<br>(mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                          | 0.15   | 0.21   | 0.37   | 0.21   | 0.26   | 0.22   | 0.23   | 0.23   | 0.25    | 0.72    | 0.70    | 0.23   |
| Total Copper (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                               | 0.028  | 0.026  | 0.02   | 0.016  | 0.014  | 0.016  | 0.014  | 0.015  | 0.012   | 0.014   | 0.028   | 0.02   |
| Dissolved Iron (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                             | < 0.02 | < 0.02 | < 0.02 | < 0.02 | < 0.02 | < 0.02 | < 0.02 | 0.02   | 0.02    | < 0.02  | < 0.02  | < 0.02 |
| Total Iron (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                                 | < 0.02 | < 0.03 | 0.03   | 0.03   | 0.03   | 0.02   | 0.03   | 0.03   | 0.02    | < 0.03  | 0.07    | < 0.02 |
| Total Hardness (mg/L)<br>Average Monthly                             | 206    | 242    | 199    | 205    | 209    | 208    | 213    | 212    | 182     | 175     | 203     | 221    |
| Chronic WET -<br>Ceriodaphnia Survival<br>(TUc) Daily Maximum        | 1.03   |        |        | 1.03   |        |        | 1.03   |        |         | 1.03    |         |        |
| Chronic WET -<br>Ceriodaphnia<br>Reproduction (TUc)<br>Daily Maximum | 1.03   |        |        | 1.03   |        |        | 1.03   |        |         | 1.03    |         |        |
| Chronic WET -<br>Pimephales Survival<br>(TUc) Daily Maximum          | 1.03   |        |        | 1.03   |        |        | 1.03   |        |         | 1.03    |         |        |
| Chronic WET -<br>Pimephales Growth<br>(TUc) Daily Maximum            | 1.03   |        |        | 1.03   |        |        | 1.03   |        |         | 1.03    |         |        |

DMR Data for Outfall 002 (from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021)

| Parameter  | SEP-21 | AUG-21 | JUL-21 | JUN-21 | MAY-21 | APR-21 | MAR-21 | FEB-21 | JAN-21 | DEC-20 | NOV-20 | OCT-20 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| pH (S.U.)<br>Annual Average                      |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 6.3    |        |        |
| CBOD5 (mg/L)<br>Annual Average                   |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 2.1    |        |        |
| COD (mg/L)<br>Annual Average                     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 56     |        |        |
| TSS (mg/L)<br>Annual Average                     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 24     |        |        |
| Oil and Grease (mg/L)<br>Annual Average          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | < 5    |        |        |
| Fecal Coliform<br>(CFU/100 ml)<br>Annual Average |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 755    |        |        |
| TKN (mg/L)<br>Annual Average                     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 0.78   |        |        |
| Total Phosphorus<br>(mg/L)<br>Annual Average     |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 0.30   |        |        |
| Dissolved Iron (mg/L)<br>Annual Average          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        | 0.06   |        |        |



**Development of Effluent Limitations**

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| <b>Outfall No.</b> <u>001</u>                              | <b>Design Flow (MGD)</b> <u>1.6</u>    |
| <b>Latitude</b> <u>40° 18' 54.98"</u>                      | <b>Longitude</b> <u>-75° 8' 20.23"</u> |
| <b>Wastewater Description:</b> <u>Sewage Effluent from</u> |  |

**Technology-Based Limitations**

The following technology-based limitations apply, subject to water quality analysis and BPJ where applicable:

| Pollutant                    | Limit (mg/l)    | SBC             | Federal Regulation | State Regulation |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| CBOD <sub>5</sub>            | 25              | Average Monthly | 133.102(a)(4)(i)   | 92a.47(a)(1)     |
|                              | 40              | Average Weekly  | 133.102(a)(4)(ii)  | 92a.47(a)(2)     |
| Total Suspended Solids       | 30              | Average Monthly | 133.102(b)(1)      | 92a.47(a)(1)     |
|                              | 45              | Average Weekly  | 133.102(b)(2)      | 92a.47(a)(2)     |
| pH                           | 6.0 – 9.0 S.U.  | Min – Max       | 133.102(c)         | 95.2(1)          |
| Fecal Coliform (5/1 – 9/30)  | 200 / 100 ml    | Geo Mean        | -                  | 92a.47(a)(4)     |
| Fecal Coliform (5/1 – 9/30)  | 1,000 / 100 ml  | IMAX            | -                  | 92a.47(a)(4)     |
| Fecal Coliform (10/1 – 4/30) | 2,000 / 100 ml  | Geo Mean        | -                  | 92a.47(a)(5)     |
| Fecal Coliform (10/1 – 4/30) | 10,000 / 100 ml | IMAX            | -                  | 92a.47(a)(5)     |
| Total Residual Chlorine      | 0.5             | Average Monthly | -                  | 92a.48(b)(2)     |

**WATER QUALITY-BASED LIMITATIONS**

**Conventional Pollutants, Nutrients, and Nitrogen Compounds**

CBOD<sub>5</sub>

Neshaminy Creek, below the confluence of Cooks Run, is listed as impaired for nutrients, organic enrichment, and low dissolved oxygen. Municipal point sources have been identified as a possible source for the impairment. Therefore, advanced technology limits for CBOD<sub>5</sub> removal were recommended when the facility expanded to 1.6 MGD. A review of discharge (DMR) data at the 5 years period time showed that the facility consistently achieved <10 mg/l CBOD<sub>5</sub>. Therefore, a technology-based limit of 10 mg/l CBOD<sub>5</sub> is continued in this renewal. The recommended CBOD<sub>5</sub> limits are: 10 mg/l (5/1 – 10/31) and 20 mg/l (11/1 – 4/30).

Dissolved Oxygen

The existing effluent limit for dissolved oxygen is 5.0 mg/l (minimum). Cooks Run is classified as warm water fishes, which has a minimum in-stream dissolved oxygen criteria of 5.0 mg/l. Neshaminy Creek, located approximately 3 miles downstream of the discharge, has a seasonal TSF minimum in-stream dissolved oxygen criteria of 6.0 mg/l (Feb. 15 to July 31). The recommended dissolved oxygen limits are: 5 mg/l – instantaneous minimum. It is also consistent with WQM7 model DO limit of 5.0 mg/l.

NH<sub>3</sub>-N

Ammonia limits are based on temperature and pH criteria, and dissolved oxygen depletion using models such as the Department's WQM7 model. Harvey Avenue's existing monthly average limit for NH<sub>3</sub>-N is 1.0 mg/l (5/1 – 10/31), and 2.0 mg/l (11/1 – 4/30). The WQM model supports a summer seasonal NH<sub>3</sub>-N limit of 1.4 mg/l @ pH=7.0, or a limit of 1.0 mg/l @ pH=7.5. A multiplier of 2.0 will be applied to obtain the seasonal winter NH<sub>3</sub>-N limit; a higher multiplier is not supported by the WQM model. The recommended NH<sub>3</sub>-N effluent limits are: 1.0 mg/l (5/1 – 10/31) and 2.0 mg/l (11/1 – 4/30)

NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> as N

All publicly owned sewage treatment plants (POTWs) that discharge to the Neshaminy Creek basin include numerical NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> limits designed to protect the Aqua PA public water supply (PWS) intake located near Trevoise, PA. The

NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> limits are based on limiting the sum of the ammonia and NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> limits to 11 mg/l, from July 1<sup>st</sup> thru October 31<sup>st</sup>. Harvey Avenue STP existing permit has a seasonal ammonia limit of 1.0 mg/l, and their NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> limit is 10.0 mg/l. NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> limits may be extended to additional months in future or amended permits; therefore, a reporting requirement is recommended for the remaining months of the year. The recommended NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> effluent limits are: 10.0 mg/l (5/1 – 10/31) and “Report” (11/1 – 6/30).

Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN)

Total nitrogen limits may be included in future permits. The existing NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> limit is based on the sum of total ammonia and NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> and does not include organic nitrogen compounds. TKN measures the sum of organic nitrogen and ammonia. The sum of TKN and NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> is a more conservative estimate of downstream NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> concentrations. It is estimated that treated sewage effluent contains 1 to 2 mg/l of organic nitrogen. Organic nitrogen contributes to downstream concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub> through the conversion of the organic nitrogen to ammonia, followed by the conversion of ammonia to NO<sub>2</sub>+NO<sub>3</sub>. A reporting requirement to collect data for TKN is recommended. The recommended TKN effluent limits are: “Report”

Phosphorous

Cooks Run and Neshaminy Creek are both listed as impaired for nutrients. A nutrient TMDL for the Neshaminy Creek basin was withdrawn in 2008. The EPA is responsible for developing a replacement nutrient TMDL which may include waste load allocations for total phosphorus (TP). Previously established TP limits are consistently achieved, therefore recommended TP limits are: 0.5 mg/l (5/1 – 10/31) and 1.0 mg/l (11/1 – 4/30).

Based on latest DEP guidance monitoring for Total Nitrogen and E.Coli will be included on monthly basis to collect data.

Total Dissolved Solids limits of 1000 mg/l for ave. mo., daily max of 2000 mg/l and IMax of 2500 mg/l were based on DRBC Water Quality Regulations and will remain in the draft permit.

**Toxics Management Spreadsheet (TMS):**

Based on the initial data submitted with the renewal application TMS were prepared and reasonable potential were calculated and shared with applicant. Applicant requested to do some more sampling on concern parameters to see TMS can be rerun and reasonable potential can be reevaluated. This draft permit is issued based data submitted with initial application and any additional available data will be reviewed and necessary revision (if any) will be made to final permit. The following TMS pollutant results were recalculated:

Recommended WQBELs & Monitoring Requirements

No. Samples/Month:

| Pollutants     | Mass Limits   |               | Concentration Limits |        |        |       | Governing WQBEL | WQBEL Basis | Comments                           |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|--------|--------|-------|-----------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
|                | AML (lbs/day) | MDL (lbs/day) | AML                  | MDL    | IMAX   | Units |                 |             |                                    |
| Total Aluminum | 10.0          | 10.1          | 750                  | 756    | 756    | µg/L  | 750             | AFC         | Discharge Conc ≥ 50% WQBEL (RP)    |
| Total Barium   | Report        | Report        | Report               | Report | Report | µg/L  | 2,419           | THH         | Discharge Conc > 10% WQBEL (no RP) |
| Total Cobalt   | Report        | Report        | Report               | Report | Report | µg/L  | 19.2            | CFC         | Discharge Conc > 10% WQBEL (no RP) |
| Total Copper   | 0.23          | 0.36          | 17.1                 | 26.7   | 42.7   | µg/L  | 17.1            | CFC         | Discharge Conc ≥ 50% WQBEL (RP)    |
| Free Cyanide   | Report        | Report        | Report               | Report | Report | µg/L  | 5.24            | CFC         | Discharge Conc > 25% WQBEL (no RP) |
| Total Iron     | Report        | Report        | Report               | Report | Report | µg/L  | 1,512           | CFC         | Discharge Conc > 10% WQBEL (no RP) |
| Total Zinc     | Report        | 2.91          | Report               | 218    | 218    | µg/L  | 217             | AFC         | Discharge Conc > 10% WQBEL (no RP) |
| Chloroform     | Report        | Report        | Report               | Report | Report | µg/L  | 6.26            | CRL         | Discharge Conc > 25% WQBEL (no RP) |
|                |               |               |                      |        |        |       |                 |             |                                    |

Monitoring for Total Cooper, Total Iron, Dissolved Iron will remain on monthly reporting schedule (loading and conc. limits for Aliminum of 10lbs/day and 0.75 mg/l is added respectively). Free Cyanide monitoring is not proposed due to the corrected data. And quarterly monitoring is proposed for Total Barium, Total Cobalt, Total Zinc and Chloroform.

Total Cooper

Since the Site-Specific study (WER) is 20 years old and the facility has expanded since then, a Part C permit requirement for updated site-specific copper study using BLM is included in this renewal

**Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET)**

For Outfall 001,  **Chronic** WET Testing was completed:

- For the permit renewal application (4 tests).
- Quarterly throughout the permit term.
- Quarterly throughout the permit term and a TIE/TRE was conducted.
- Other:

The dilution series used for the tests was: 100%, 97%, 74%, 49%, and 24%. The Target Instream Waste Concentration (TIWC) to be used for analysis of the results is: 97.

**Summary of Four Most Recent Test Results**

Based on the review of the most recent WET tests of the facility 's report following WET summary and evaluation Table is attached:

| <b>WET Summary and Evaluation</b>  |                                |           |           |           |           |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Facility Name</b>               | Harvey Ave WWTP                |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Permit No.</b>                  | PA0021172                      |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Design Flow (MGD)</b>           | 1.6                            |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Q<sub>7-10</sub> Flow (cfs)</b> | 0.07                           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>PMF<sub>a</sub></b>             | 1                              |           |           |           |           |
| <b>PMF<sub>c</sub></b>             | 1                              |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Test Results (Pass/Fail)</b>    |                                |           |           |           |           |
| Species                            | Endpoint                       | Test Date | Test Date | Test Date | Test Date |
|                                    |                                | 11/24/20  | 2/9/21    | 6/29/21   | 10/5/21   |
| Pimephales                         | Survival                       | PASS      | PASS      | PASS      | PASS      |
| <b>Test Results (Pass/Fail)</b>    |                                |           |           |           |           |
| Species                            | Endpoint                       | Test Date | Test Date | Test Date | Test Date |
|                                    |                                | 11/24/20  | 2/9/21    | 6/29/21   | 10/5/21   |
| Pimephales                         | Growth                         | PASS      | PASS      | PASS      | PASS      |
| <b>Test Results (Pass/Fail)</b>    |                                |           |           |           |           |
| Species                            | Endpoint                       | Test Date | Test Date | Test Date | Test Date |
|                                    |                                | 11/23/20  | 2/9/21    | 6/28/21   | 10/5/21   |
| Ceriodaphnia                       | Survival                       | PASS      | PASS      | PASS      | PASS      |
| <b>Test Results (Pass/Fail)</b>    |                                |           |           |           |           |
| Species                            | Endpoint                       | Test Date | Test Date | Test Date | Test Date |
|                                    |                                | 11/23/20  | 2/9/21    | 6/28/21   | 10/5/21   |
| Ceriodaphnia                       | Reproduction                   | PASS      | PASS      | PASS      | PASS      |
| <b>Reasonable Potential?</b>       | NO                             |           |           |           |           |
| <b>Permit Recommendations</b>      |                                |           |           |           |           |
| Test Type                          | Chronic                        |           |           |           |           |
| TIWC                               | 97 % Effluent                  |           |           |           |           |
| Dilution Series                    | 24, 49, 73, 97, 100 % Effluent |           |           |           |           |
| Permit Limit                       | None                           |           |           |           |           |
| Permit Limit Species               |                                |           |           |           |           |

Since facility passed all four WET tests, an annual monitoring w/o limits is proposed in this renewal.

**Proposed Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements**

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**Outfall 001, Effective Period: Permit Effective Date through Permit Expiration Date.**

| Parameter                                      | Effluent Limitations                |                     |                       |                     |                     |                     | Monitoring Requirements                            |                            |
|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------------|
|  | Mass Units (lbs/day) <sup>(1)</sup> |                     | Concentrations (mg/L) |                     |                     |                     | Minimum <sup>(2)</sup><br>Measurement<br>Frequency | Required<br>Sample<br>Type |
|  | Average<br>Monthly                  | Weekly<br>Average   | Daily<br>Minimum      | Average<br>Monthly  | Weekly<br>Average   | Instant.<br>Maximum |  |                            |
| Flow (MGD)                                     | Report                              | Report<br>Daily Max | XXX                   | XXX                 | XXX                 | XXX                 | Continuous   | Metered                    |
| pH (S.U.)                                      | XXX                                 | XXX                 | 6.0<br>Inst Min       | XXX                 | XXX                 | 9.0                 | 1/day  | Grab                       |
| DO   | XXX                                 | XXX                 | 5.0<br>Inst Min       | XXX                 | XXX                 | XXX                 | 1/day  | Grab                       |
| CBOD5<br>Nov 1 - Apr 30                        | 267                                 | 400                 | XXX                   | 20                  | 30                  | 40                  | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| CBOD5<br>Raw Sewage Influent                   | Report                              | Report              | XXX                   | Report              | Report              | XXX                 | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| CBOD5<br>May 1 - Oct 31                        | 133                                 | 200                 | XXX                   | 10                  | 15                  | 20                  | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| BOD5<br>Raw Sewage Influent                    | Report                              | Report              | XXX                   | Report              | Report              | XXX                 | 2/month  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| TSS<br>Raw Sewage Influent                     | Report                              | Report              | XXX                   | Report              | Report              | XXX                 | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| TSS  | 400                                 | 600                 | XXX                   | 30                  | 45                  | 60                  | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Dissolved Solids                         | XXX                                 | XXX                 | XXX                   | 1000.0<br>Avg Qrtly | 2000.0<br>Daily Max | 2500                | 1/quarter  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml)*<br>Oct 1 - Apr 30 | XXX                                 | XXX                 | XXX                   | 200<br>Geo Mean     | XXX                 | 1000                | 2/week   | Grab                       |
| Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml)*<br>May 1 - Sep 30 | XXX                                 | XXX                 | XXX                   | 200<br>Geo Mean     | XXX                 | 1000                | 2/week   | Grab                       |
| E.Coli (No./100 ml)                            | XXX                                 | XXX                 | XXX                   | Report              | XXX                 | XXX                 | 1/month  | Grab                       |

| Parameter                          | Effluent Limitations                |                   |                       |                     |                   |                     | Monitoring Requirements                            |                            |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------------|
|                                    | Mass Units (lbs/day) <sup>(1)</sup> |                   | Concentrations (mg/L) |                     |                   |                     | Minimum <sup>(2)</sup><br>Measurement<br>Frequency | Required<br>Sample<br>Type |
|                                    | Average<br>Monthly                  | Weekly<br>Average | Daily<br>Minimum      | Average<br>Monthly  | Weekly<br>Average | Instant.<br>Maximum |  |                            |
| UV Intensity (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | XXX                                 | XXX               | Report                | XXX                 | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/day  | Measured                   |
| Nitrate-Nitrite<br>Nov 1 - Jun 30  | Report                              | XXX               | XXX                   | Report              | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/month  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Nitrate-Nitrite<br>Jul 1 - Oct 31  | 133                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | 10                  | XXX               | 20                  | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Ammonia<br>Nov 1 - Apr 30          | 26.7                                | XXX               | XXX                   | 2.0                 | XXX               | 4                   | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Ammonia<br>May 1 - Oct 31          | 13.3                                | XXX               | XXX                   | 1.0                 | XXX               | 2                   | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Nitrogen                     | Report                              | XXX               | XXX                   | Report              | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/month  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| TKN                                | Report                              | XXX               | XXX                   | Report              | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/month  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Phosphorus<br>Nov 1 - Mar 31 | 13.3                                | XXX               | XXX                   | 1.00                | XXX               | 2                   | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Phosphorus<br>Apr 1 - Oct 31 | 6.7                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | 0.5                 | XXX               | 1                   | 2/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Aluminum                     | 10                                  | XXX               | XXX                   | 0.75                | XXX               | 1.5                 | 1/week   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Copper                       | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report              | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/month  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Dissolved Iron                     | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report              | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/month  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Iron                         | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report              | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/month  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Hardness                     | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report              | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/month  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Barium                       | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report<br>Avg Qrtly | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/quarter  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Cobalt                       | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report<br>Avg Qrtly | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/quarter  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Chloroform                         | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report<br>Avg Qrtly | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/quarter  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Total Zinc                         | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report<br>Avg Qrtly | XXX               | XXX                 | 1/quarter  | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |

| Parameter   | Effluent Limitations                |                   |                       |                     |                   |                     | Monitoring Requirements                            |                            |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------------|
|   | Mass Units (lbs/day) <sup>(1)</sup> |                   | Concentrations (mg/L) |                     |                   |                     | Minimum <sup>(2)</sup><br>Measurement<br>Frequency | Required<br>Sample<br>Type |
|   | Average<br>Monthly                  | Weekly<br>Average | Daily<br>Minimum      | Average<br>Monthly  | Weekly<br>Average | Instant.<br>Maximum |  |                            |
| Toxicity, Chronic -<br>Ceriodaphnia Survival (TUc)        | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report<br>Daily Max | XXX               | XXX                 | See permit   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Toxicity, Chronic -<br>Ceriodaphnia Reproduction<br>(TUc) | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report<br>Daily Max | XXX               | XXX                 | See permit   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Toxicity, Chronic - Pimephales<br>Survival (TUc)          | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report<br>Daily Max | XXX               | XXX                 | See permit   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |
| Toxicity, Chronic - Pimephales<br>Growth (TUc)            | XXX                                 | XXX               | XXX                   | Report<br>Daily Max | XXX               | XXX                 | See permit   | 24-Hr<br>Composite         |

Compliance Sampling Location: 001

**Proposed Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements**

The limitations and monitoring requirements specified below are proposed for the draft permit, and reflect the most stringent limitations amongst technology, water quality and BPJ. Instantaneous Maximum (IMAX) limits are determined using multipliers of 2 (conventional pollutants) or 2.5 (toxic pollutants). Sample frequencies and types are derived from the “NPDES Permit Writer’s Manual” (362-0400-001), SOPs and/or BPJ.

**Outfall 002, Effective Period: Permit Effective Date through Permit Expiration Date.**

| Parameter                   | Effluent Limitations                |                |                       |                |         |                  | Monitoring Requirements                      |                      |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------|------------------|--|----------------------|
|                             | Mass Units (lbs/day) <sup>(1)</sup> |                | Concentrations (mg/L) |                |         |                  | Minimum <sup>(2)</sup> Measurement Frequency | Required Sample Type |
|                             | Average Monthly                     | Average Weekly | Minimum               | Annual Average | Maximum | Instant. Maximum |  |                      |
| pH (S.U.)                   | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |
| CBOD5                       | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |
| COD                         | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |
| TSS                         | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |
| Oil and Grease              | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |
| Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml) | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |
| TKN                         | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |
| Total Phosphorus            | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |
| Dissolved Iron              | XXX                                 | XXX            | XXX                   | Report         | XXX     | XXX              | 1/year                                       | Grab                 |

Compliance Sampling Location: 002

Other Comments: None