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**NPDES PERMIT FACT SHEET
INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE**

Application No. PA0030139 A-1
APS ID 1150293
Authorization ID 1548836

Applicant and Facility Information

Applicant Name	PA Department of Corrections	Facility Name	State Correctional Institute - Dallas
Applicant Address	1000 Follies Road	Facility Address	1000 Follies Road
	Dallas, PA 18612		Dallas, PA 18612
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Client ID	43607	Site ID	516545
Ch 94 Load Status	Not Overloaded	Municipality	Jackson Township
Connection Status	No Limitations	County	Luzerne
Date Application Received	November 7, 2025	EPA Waived?	No
Date Application Accepted	November 7, 2025	If No, Reason	Significant CB Discharge
Purpose of Application	Amendment to NPDES permit.		

Summary of Review

The permittee is requesting an amendment to their NPDES permit (issued March 17, 2025) for removal of the Total Lead limitations and TRE requirements.

Modeling performed during the previous permit renewal assumed a maximum Total Lead concentration of 13.9 µg/L at Outfall 001. Since the governing water quality-based effluent limitation was calculated to be 5 µg/L, limitations were recommended. Based on that information, TRE requirements for reducing lead in the effluent were included in Part C since it appeared that the permittee wouldn't be able to immediately meet the limitations. The Total Lead limitations were to come into effect on April 1, 2029 and various milestones were included in Part C until the limitations came into effect.

After reviewing data that was previously submitted to DEP, the permittee noticed a discrepancy in the reported analytical results for Total Lead. The reported results of 13.9 µg/L (3rd quarter 2022) and 5.8 µg/L (2nd quarter 2023) should have both been reported as non-detect, as shown on the submitted laboratory analytical sheets. Weekly sampling results for Total Lead since the renewal effective date have been consistently non-detect. The permittee was advised to analyze for Total Lead at the lowest available quantitation limit (QL) in an email dated July 2, 2025. Weekly results afterwards were non-detect when analyzed at QLs below DEP's target QL of 1 µg/L.

The requests to remove the Total Lead limitations from Part A and the TRE requirements in Part C is granted. The minimum measurement frequency for Total Lead reverts to 1/quarter (the frequency from the NPDES permit issued on September 10, 2019). All other requirements from the permit effective on April 1, 2025 remain in this permit amendment.

Note: If consistent non-detect results for Total Lead are reported during the remainder of this permit term when using the lowest available QL, then the removal of monitoring requirements for Total Lead may be warranted for the next permit cycle.

Approve	Deny	Signatures	Date
X		 Brian Burden, E.I.T. / Project Manager	December 30, 2025
X		 Edward Dudick, P.E. / Environmental Engineer Manager	December 31, 2025

Summary of Review

On November 26, 2025, a Total Copper TRE Summary Report was received by DEP. The results of additional sampling conducted for Total Copper indicates the permittee can meet the Total Copper limitations that come into effect on April 1, 2029. A compliance schedule is left in the permit to ensure the permittee can consistently meet the new limitations. The Part C.IV Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations for Toxic Pollutants special condition is updated as follows:

- Part C.IV.C (Toxics Reduction Evaluation) is removed from the permit.
- The following wording is removed from Part C.IV.A: *The permittee has not demonstrated the ability to achieve these limits as of the effective date of the permit. Prior to the WQBEL Effective Date, the permittee shall complete studies as described below.*
- The Part C.IV.D special condition (Schedule and Final WQBEL Compliance Report) is adjusted as follows:

Action	Due Date
Submit Total Copper WQBEL Compliance Progress Report	April 1, 2027
Submit Final Total Copper WQBEL Compliance Report	April 1, 2028
Submit Site-Specific Collection Studies Report (if applicable)	October 1, 2028
Comply with Final Permit Limit	April 1, 2029

Note: Since the TRE requirements were deleted from the permit, this condition now appears under Part C.IV.C.

- The Part C.IV.B special condition (Site-Specific Data Collection Studies) is left in the permit incase the permittee still wishes to perform the site-specific studies.

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.



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