

Application Type Renewal & Transfer  
 Facility Type Non-Municipal  
 Major / Minor Minor

**NPDES PERMIT FACT SHEET  
INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE**

Application No. PA0035033  
 APS ID 508695  
 Authorization ID 1311202

**Applicant and Facility Information**


Applicant Name	<u>Pinebrook Bible Conference</u>	Facility Name	<u>Pinebrook Bible Conference &amp; Retreat Center</u>
Applicant Address	<u>5339 Pinebrook Road</u> <u>East Stroudsburg, PA 18301-7187</u>	Facility Address	<u>Retreat Center</u> <u>Stroudsburg, PA 18360-0001</u>
Applicant Contact	<u>Dave Allen</u>	Facility Contact	<u>Dave Allen</u>
Applicant Phone	<u>(570) 424-1212</u>	Facility Phone	<u>(570) 424-1212</u>
Client ID	<u>36910</u>	Site ID	<u>241884</u>
Ch 94 Load Status	<u>Not Overloaded</u>	Municipality	<u>Stroud Township</u>
Connection Status		County	<u>Monroe</u>
Date Application Received	<u>May 4, 2015</u>	EPA Waived?	<u>Yes</u>
Date Application Accepted	<u>May 6, 2015</u>	If No, Reason	
Purpose of Application	<u>RENEWAL AND TRANSFER OF AN EXISTING SEWAGE NPDES PERMIT.</u>		

**Summary of Review**

The applicant is requesting the renewal of their NPDES permit to discharge up to 0.021 MGD of treated sewage. The receiving stream, Brodhead Creek (CWF (existing use)), is located in State Water Plan watershed 1-E and is classified for (HQ-CWF) High Quality Waters - Cold Water Fishes, aquatic life, water supply and recreation. As per the Department's current existing use list, the receiving streams has an existing use classification that is less protective than the designated use. The discharge is not expected to affect public water supplies.

- The CBOD5, TSS, TRC, and pH Limits are technology-based and remain the same as the Previous Permit.
- No Ammonia-nitrogen or Dissolved Oxygen Limit is required because water quality modeling (WQM Model 7.0) resulted in limits that would be met by secondary treatment. The low flow (Q cfs) dilution of the Brodhead Creek Stream to the Sewage Effluent at Outfall 001 is **755 :1**.
- Since the applicant has a design flow greater than 0.002 MGD; Effluent monitoring will continue for Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen (with the corresponding TKN and Nitrate-Nitrite as N since they are components of this calculation for TN.)
- Monitoring frequencies for all parameters with limitations have been updated to the recommended frequencies found in Table 6-3 of DEP's Technical Guidance for the Development and Specification of Effluent Limitations (doc. no. 362-0400-001)

The existing permit expires on 8/31/2020 and the application was received on 3/31/20.

Approve	Deny	Signatures	Date
X		 Bernard Feist, P.E. / Environmental Engineer	4/17/2020
X		Amy M. Bellanca (signed) Amy M. Bellanca, P.E. / Environmental Engineer Manager	4-21-20

### Summary of Review

The Applicant is also requesting transfer of this Permit during the renewal. Transfer filing and fee payments must be completed before a final Permit can be issued. See the draft cover letter for details.

The NMS query "Inspections & Inspectors – Inspections – Inspection History by Permit" was run. A Compliance Evaluation was done on 12/28/2017 with No Violations Noted.

The NMS query "Violations – eFACTS – Open Violations for Client by Permit Number" was run. There is currently one open safe drinking water violation with the previous client. Eric Bartolacci (Sanitarian Supervisor) of that department is aware and working on a resolution.

The EPA Waiver is in effect.

#### 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.	001	Design Flow (MGD)	0.021
Latitude	41° 2' 2.00"	Longitude	75° 12' 27.00"
Quad Name	East Stroudsburg	Quad Code	1044
Wastewater Description: Sewage Effluent			
Receiving Waters	Brodhead Creek (CWF (existing use))	Stream Code	4750
NHD Com ID	26141426	RMI	8.55
Drainage Area	124.05 mi <sup>2</sup>	Yield (cfs/mi <sup>2</sup> )	0.198
Q <sub>7-10</sub> Flow (cfs)	24.56	Q <sub>7-10</sub> Basis	Dflow Gage 01442500
Elevation (ft)		Slope (ft/ft)	0.004
Watershed No.	1-E	Chapter 93 Class.	HQ-CWF
Existing Use	CWF(COLD WATER FISHES)	Existing Use Qualifier	Use Attainability Analysis
Exceptions to Use		Exceptions to Criteria	
Nearest Downstream Public Water Supply Intake	Brodhead Creek Reg Water Auth		
PWS Waters		Flow at Intake (cfs)	
PWS RMI		Distance from Outfall (mi)	1.4

DEP has evaluated information indicating that the existing use of the receiving waters is different than the designated use under 25 Pa. Code § 93.9. In developing the draft NPDES permit, DEP is proposing to protect the existing use of the receiving waters. Following DEP's notice of the receipt of the application and the draft permit in the Pennsylvania Bulletin, DEP will accept written comments during the public comment period regarding DEP's tentative determination to protect the existing use. DEP will make a final determination on existing use protection for the receiving waters as part of the final permit action.

Hydrologic Unit Code: 2040104

**STATION.**--01442500 BROADHEAD CREEK AT MINISINK HILLS, PA  
**PERIOD OF RECORD.**--November 1950 to current year.

<b>STREAM NAME:</b> Brodhead Creek <b>GAGE OR BRIDGE SITE:</b> gage <b>REFERENCE GAGE:</b> <sup>1</sup> 01442500	<b>COUNTY:</b> Monroe <b>USGS QUAD:</b> Stroudsburg <b>STATION NAME:</b> Brodhead Creek at Minisink Hill, PA	<b>LATITUDE:</b> 405955 <b>LONGITUDE:</b> 750835 <b>DRAINAGE AREA (sq. mi.):</b> 259
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DFLOW Results

The screenshot shows a software window titled "DFLOW Results" with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Help). Below the menu, it states: "All available data from Apr 1, 1994 through Mar 31, 2019 are included in analysis. Climatic year defined as Apr 1 - Mar 31." A table displays the following data:

Gage	Period	Days in R+	7Q10	Perd
01442500 - Brodhead Creek at Minisink Hills, PA	1993/04/01 - 2018/04/01	9,131	51.0	0.1

At the bottom of the window, there is a note: "Double-click on biological flow value for excursion analysis".

Q<sub>7-10</sub> Basis LowFlowYield (cfs/mi<sup>2</sup>)= 51.0 / 259 = 0.197 LFY

**Outfall 001 at RMI 8.55**

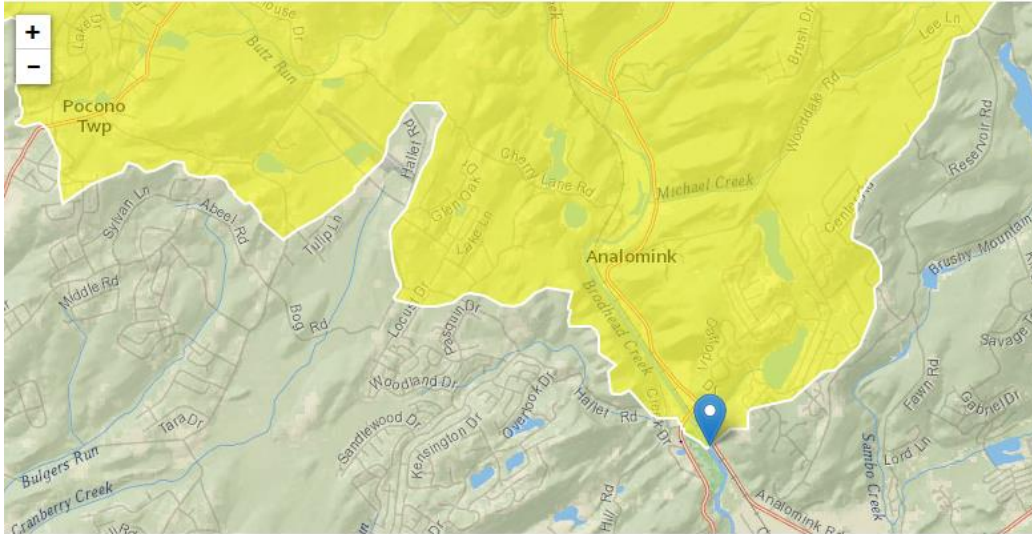
NAD83 Latitude:(41 02 03) NAD83 Longitude:(-75 12 26) Drainage Area: 124.0 mi<sup>2</sup> Height 475 ft  
 LowFlowYield (cfs/mi<sup>2</sup>)= 0.198 LFY Drainage Area = 124.05 mi<sup>2</sup>  
 Q Streamflow = 0.197 \* 124.0 = 24.43 cfs (15.8 MGD)  
 Dilution Streamflow : Effluent = 755 :1

Clicked Point (Latitude, Longitude):

41.03400, -75.20734

Time:

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Low-Flow Statistics Parameters[100 Percent (124 square miles) Low Flow Region 3]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	124	square miles

**RMI 7.22 the next major confluence and where trout stocking begins**

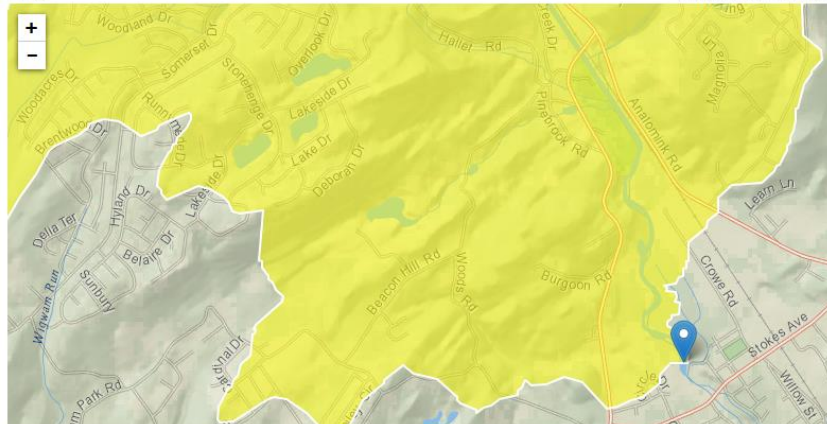
NAD83 Latitude:(41 01 05) NAD83 Longitude:(-75 12 06) Drainage Area: 130.0 mi<sup>2</sup> Height 445 ft  
 Slope ft/ft =0.004

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Low-Flow Statistics Parameters[100 Percent (129 square miles) Low Flow Region 3]

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	130	square miles

Treatment Facility Summary				
Treatment Facility Name: Pinebrook Bible Conference & Retreat Center				
Waste Type	Degree of Treatment	Process Type	Disinfection	Avg Annual Flow (MGD)
Sewage	Secondary	Extended Aeration	Hypochlorite	0.021
Hydraulic Capacity (MGD)	Organic Capacity (lbs/day)	Load Status	Biosolids Treatment	Biosolids Use/Disposal
0.021	—	Not Overloaded		

Wastewater flows from a pump station → flow equalization tank → Aeration tank → clarifier → Chlorine contact tank

**Development of Effluent Limitations**

Outfall No. 001 Design Flow (MGD) 0.021  
 Wastewater Description: Sewage Effluent

**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)
Total Suspended Solids	30	Average Monthly	133.102(b)(1)	92a.47(a)(1)
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 Nitrogen	Report	Average Yearly		92a.61
Total Phosphorus	Report	Average Yearly		92a.61
Total Residual Chlorine	1.2*	Average Monthly	-	92a.48(b)(2)

\*Facility-specific regional BAT for facility < 0.1 MGD, no upgrade/expansion, and no documented TRC stream issue

Water Quality-Based Limitations

Analysis Results WQM 7.0

Hydrodynamics | NH3-N Allocations | D.O. Allocations | D.O. Simulation | **Effluent Limitations**

RMI	Discharge Name	Permit Number	Disc Flow (mgd)
8.55	Pinebrook Bible	PA0035033	0.0210

Parameter	Effluent Limit 30 Day Average (mg/L)	Effluent Limit Maximum (mg/L)	Effluent Limit Minimum (mg/L)
CBOD5	25		
NH3-N	25	50	
Dissolved Oxygen			3

Record: 1 of 1 | No Filter | Search

<b>TRC EVALUATION</b>			
Input appropriate values in A3:A9 and D3:D9		Pinebrook Bible	
24.55	= Q stream (cfs)	0.5	= CV Daily
0.021	= Q discharge (MGD)	0.5	= CV Hourly
4	= no. samples	1	= AFC_Partial Mix Factor
0.3	= Chlorine Demand of Stream	1	= CFC_Partial Mix Factor
0	= Chlorine Demand of Discharge	15	= AFC_Criteria Compliance Time (min)
1.2	= BAT/BPJ Value	720	= CFC_Criteria Compliance Time (min)
0	= % Factor of Safety (FOS)		= Decay Coefficient (K)
Source	Reference	AFC Calculations	Reference CFC Calculations
TRC	1.3.2.iii	WLA_afc = 241.083	1.3.2.iii WLA_cfc = 235.030
PENTOXSD TRG	5.1a	LTAMULT_afc = 0.373	5.1c LTAMULT_cfc = 0.581
PENTOXSD TRG	5.1b	LTA_afc = 89.833	5.1d LTA_cfc = 136.635
Source	Reference	Effluent Limit Calculations	
PENTOXSD TRG	5.1f	AML MULT = 1.720	
PENTOXSD TRG	5.1g	AVG MON LIMIT (mg/l) = 1.200	BAT/BPJ
		INST MAX LIMIT (mg/l) = 2.808	

**Compliance History**

**DMR Data for Outfall 001 (from March 1, 2019 to February 29, 2020)**

Parameter	FEB-20	JAN-20	DEC-19	NOV-19	OCT-19	SEP-19	AUG-19	JUL-19	JUN-19	MAY-19	APR-19	MAR-19
Flow (MGD) Average Monthly	0.002	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.009	0.0001	0.002	0.0007
Flow (MGD) Daily Maximum	0.009	0.005	0.002	0.004	0.006	0.003	0.007	0.004	0.002	0.002	0.010	0.002
pH (S.U.) Minimum	6.63	6.26	6.25	6.74	6.00	6.3	6.2	6.5	6.32	6.4	6.5	6.4
pH (S.U.) Maximum	7.50	7.30	7.74	7.90	7.34	7.9	7.6	7.0	7.02	7.2	6.9	7.1
TRC (mg/L) Average Monthly	0.18	0.56	0.44	0.2	0.65	0.059	0.92	0.87	0.95	0.68	0.69	0.51
TRC (mg/L) Instantaneous Maximum	0.6	1.5	2.2	0.5	2.0	2.1	2.8	3.3	3.0	1.8	1.8	1.7
CBOD5 (mg/L) Average Monthly	81.4	36.7	4.4	2.4	< 2.0	< 2.0	< 2.0	2.6	2.4	2.1	< 2.0	< 2.0
TSS (mg/L) Average Monthly	533.0	1227.0	16.1	4.8	6.8	10.4	< 4.0	7.0	5.2	< 4.0	< 4.0	4.4
Fecal Coliform (CFU/100 ml) Geometric Mean	5.0	31.19	777	72	100.0	8.0	6	< 1.0	1	11	< 1.0	< 1
Fecal Coliform (CFU/100 ml) Instantaneous Maximum	5.0	139	777	72	100.0	8.0	6	< 1.0	1	11	< 1.0	< 1
Nitrate-Nitrite (mg/L) Average Monthly			30.5									
Total Nitrogen (mg/L) Average Monthly			31.5									
TKN (mg/L) Average Monthly			1.02									
Total Phosphorus (mg/L) Average Monthly			0.41									

**Compliance History**

**Effluent Violations for Outfall 001, from: April 1, 2019 To: February 29, 2020**

Parameter	Date	SBC	DMR Value	Units	Limit Value	Units
TRC	07/31/19	IMAX	3.3	mg/L	2.8	mg/L
TRC	06/30/19	IMAX	3.0	mg/L	2.8	mg/L
CBOD5	01/31/20	Avg Mo	36.7	mg/L	25.0	mg/L
CBOD5	02/29/20	Avg Mo	81.4	mg/L	25.0	mg/L
TSS	01/31/20	Avg Mo	1227.0	mg/L	30.0	mg/L
TSS	02/29/20	Avg Mo	533.0	mg/L	30.0	mg/L