

Application Type Renewal
Facility Type Municipal
Major / Minor Minor

NPDES PERMIT FACT SHEET INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE

Application No. PA0070271
APS ID 275435
Authorization ID 1477580

Applicant and Facility Information

Applicant Name	<u>Maidencreek Township Authority Berks County</u>	Facility Name	<u>Maidencreek Township STP</u>
Applicant Address	<u>1A Quarry Road</u> <u>Blandon, PA 19510</u>	Facility Address	<u>81 Willow Creek Road</u> <u>Ontelaunee Twp, PA 19605</u>
Applicant Contact	<u>Patrick Donovan</u>	Facility Contact	<u>Russell Stoudt</u>
Applicant Phone	<u>(610) 926-4173</u>	Facility Phone	<u>(610) 621-0757</u>
Client ID	<u>87676</u>	Site ID	<u>445512</u>
Ch 94 Load Status	<u>Not Overloaded</u>	Municipality	<u>Maidencreek Township</u>
Connection Status	<u>No Limitations</u>	County	<u>Berks</u>
Date Application Received	<u>March 18, 2024</u>	EPA Waived?	<u>Yes</u>
Date Application Accepted	<u>March 28, 2024</u>	If No, Reason	<u></u>
Purpose of Application	<u>NPDES Renewal Permit</u>		

Summary of Review

System Design Engineers, Inc., on behalf of the Maidencreek Township Authority (Authority/Permittee), applied to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for issuance of the NPDES permit. The permit was reissued on September 20, 2019, and became effective on October 1, 2019. The permit expired on September 30, 2024, and the permit has been administratively extended since that time.

The facility is a minor sewage facility that serves 82.5% from Maidencreek Township and 17.5% from Ontelaunee Township. The facility's annual average design flow is 0.8 million gallons per day (MGD), and the hydraulic design capacity is 1.0 MGD. The organic design capacity is 1,834 lbs BOD₅/day. The facility has two outfalls (# 001 & # 002).

The Water Quality Management (WQM) Permit No. 0600404 was issued on 7/26/2000, and 0600404 amendment was issued on 8/22/2005. The WQM No. 0607402 was issued on 8/16/2007, 0607402 A-1 amendment was issued on 7/16/2014, and 0607402 A-2 amendment was issued on 5/23/2016.

Sludge use and disposal description and location(s): N/A because sludge is hauled by Rinehart's Sanitation Services, Inc.

DRBC Docket No. D-2000-028 CP-4 will expire on September 30, 2029, *see copy in this fact sheet pages 27-32.*

Changes from the previous permit:

- Outfall # 001: - The E. Coli monitoring and report requirements will add to the proposed permit.
- Total Zinc monitoring and report requirements is added in the proposed permit.

Based on the review outline in this fact sheet, it is recommended that the permit be drafted and publish in the Pennsylvania Bulletin for public comments for 30 days.

Approve	Deny	Signatures	Date
X		<i>Hilaryle</i> Hilary H. Le / Environmental Engineering Specialist	January 24, 2025
X		<i>Maria D. Bebenek for</i> Daniel W. Martin, P.E. / Environmental Engineer Manager	January 27, 2025

Discharge, Receiving Waters and Water Supply Information			
Outfall No.	001	Design Flow (MGD)	0.8
Latitude	40° 25' 46.00"	Longitude	-75° 55' 15.00"
Quad Name	Temple	Quad Code	
Wastewater Description: Sewage Effluent			
Receiving Waters	Willow Creek (CWF)	Stream Code	01986
NHD Com ID	133228672	RMI	1.21
Drainage Area	20.8 mi. ²	Yield (cfs/mi ²)	See comments below
Q ₇₋₁₀ Flow (cfs)	See comments below	Q ₇₋₁₀ Basis	USGS StreamStats
Elevation (ft)	280	Slope (ft/ft)	
Watershed No.	3-B	Chapter 93 Class.	CWF
Existing Use		Existing Use Qualifier	
Exceptions to Use		Exceptions to Criteria	
Assessment Status	Impaired		
Cause(s) of Impairment	Flow Regime Modification, Nutrients, Pathogens		
Source(s) of Impairment	Industrial Point Source Discharge, Source Unknown		
TMDL Status	Name		
Nearest Downstream Public Water Supply Intake	Pottstown Borough Authority, Montgomery County		
PWS Waters	Schuylkill River	Flow at Intake (cfs)	
PWS RMI	Approximate 57 miles	Distance from Outfall (mi)	Approximate 31.4 miles

Changes Since Last Permit Issuance:

Drainage Area

The discharge is to Willow Creek at RMI 1.21 miles. A drainage area upstream of the point of discharge is estimated to be 20.8 sq.mi., according to USGS StreamStats available at <https://streamstats.usgs.gov/ss/>.

Streamflow

USGS StreamStats produced a 12.0 cfs Q₇₋₁₀ at the point of discharge. However, the estimated drainage area used in regression equations to calculate this Q₇₋₁₀ is lower than the minimum required value to accurately calculate the Q₇₋₁₀. As a result, USGS gage station No. 01470756 on Maiden Creek at Virgenville, PA is used to calculate the Q₇₋₁₀ as follows:

$$\text{Low Flow Yield} = Q_{7-10\text{gage}} / \text{Drainage Area}_{\text{gage}} = 16.3 \text{ cfs} / 158 \text{ sq.mi} = 0.103 \text{ cfs/sq.mi.}$$

$$Q_{7-10\text{site}} = \text{Low Flow Yield} * \text{Drainage Area}_{\text{site}} = 0.103 \text{ cfs/sq.mi} * 20.8 \text{ sq.mi} = 2.08 \text{ cfs}$$

$$Q_{30-10} = 1.36 * 2.08 \text{ cfs} \approx 2.83 \text{ cfs}$$

$$Q_{1-10} = 0.64 * 2.08 \text{ cfs} \approx 1.33 \text{ cfs}$$

Willow Creek

Under 25 Pa Code §93.9f, the Willow Creek basin from Source to a point upstream of T 708 Bridge at 40°25'39.2"N; 75°55'26.3"W is designated as Cold Water and Migratory Fishes. The designated use of Willow Creek changes downstream of the discharge to High-Quality Cold- Water Fishes (HQ-CWF) and is also classified as a designated Class A Wild Trout stream at this point.

Willow Creek in the vicinity of the facility is impaired due to flow alterations, nutrients, and pathogens. Additionally, Willow Creek is also impaired by agriculture and municipal and industrial discharges. Therefore, a limit for phosphorus was applied to the discharge in accordance with 25 Pa. Code § 96.5(c). There is currently no total maximum daily load (TMDL) for Willow Creek; however, a TMDL is scheduled to be completed in the future on a date that is to be determined.

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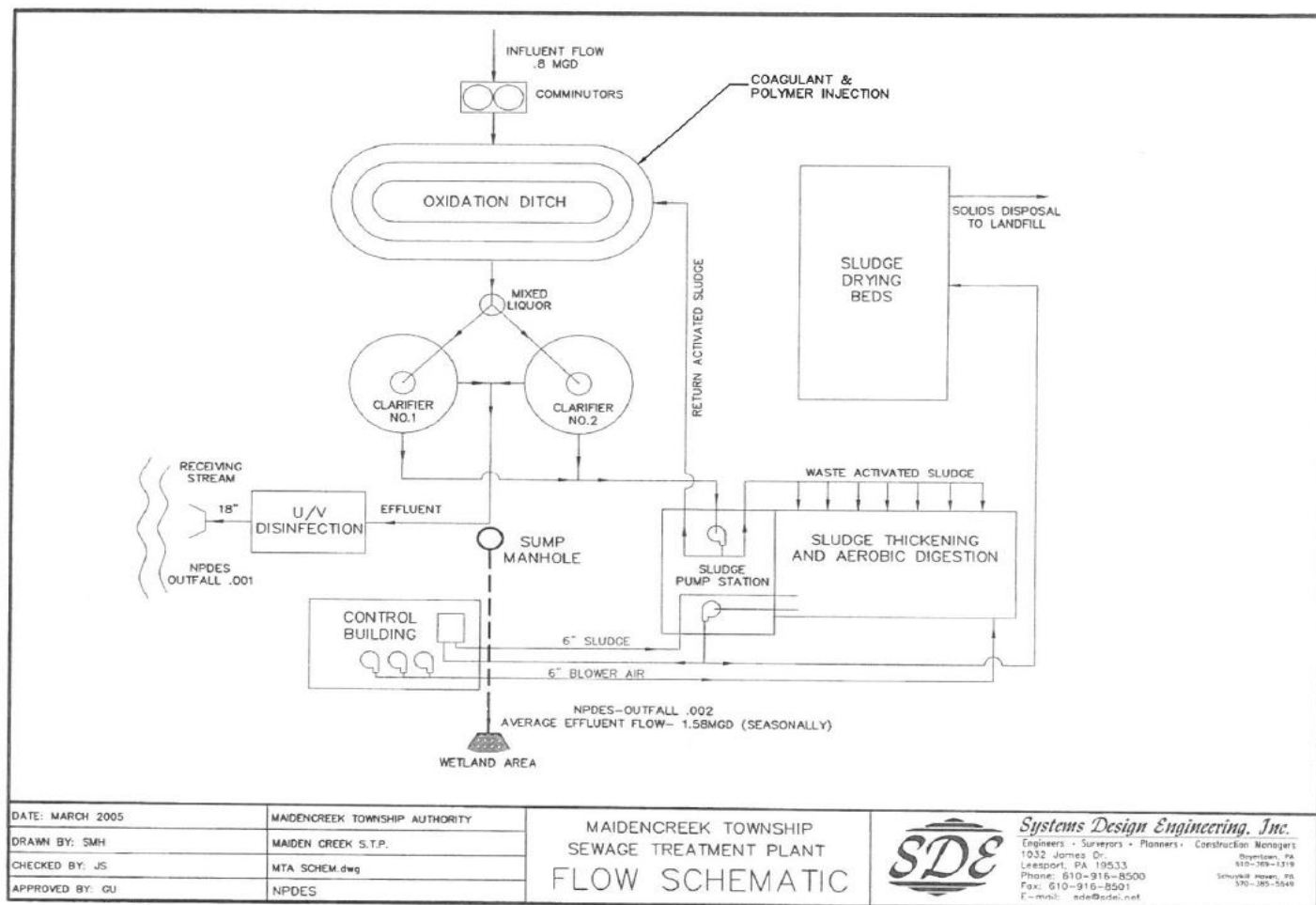
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The nearest downstream water supply intake is Pottstown Borough Authority, Montgomery County located on Schuylkill River approximately 31.4 miles downstream of this discharge. Given its distance, the discharge is not expected to affect the water supply.

Discharge, Receiving Waters and Water Supply Information			
Outfall No.	002	Design Flow (MGD)	0
Latitude	40° 25' 46.00"	Longitude	-75° 55' 15.00"
Quad Name	Temple	Quad Code	
Wastewater Description: Pumped groundwater from treatment unit area			
Receiving Waters	Willow Creek (CWF)	Stream Code	01986
NHD Com ID	133228672	RMI	1.15
Drainage Area		Yield (cfs/mi ²)	
Q ₇₋₁₀ Flow (cfs)		Q ₇₋₁₀ Basis	
Elevation (ft)		Slope (ft/ft)	
Watershed No.	3-B	Chapter 93 Class.	CWF
Existing Use		Existing Use Qualifier	
Exceptions to Use		Exceptions to Criteria	
Assessment Status	Impaired		
Cause(s) of Impairment	Flow Regime Modification, Nutrients, Pathogens		
Source(s) of Impairment	Industrial Point Source Discharge, Source Unknown		
TMDL Status	Name		
Nearest Downstream Public Water Supply Intake			
PWS Waters		Flow at Intake (cfs)	
PWS RMI		Distance from Outfall (mi)	

Changes Since Last Permit Issuance:

Other Comments: Outfall 002 discharges to a wetland area. Per the flow schematic provided in the application (see picture below). The application indicates that, "Outfall 002 is used when groundwater levels at the plant rise."



Treatment Facility Summary

Treatment Facility Name: Maidencreek Township STP

WQM Permit No.	Issuance Date
0607402 A-2	5/23/2016
0607402 A-1	7/16/2014
0607402	8/16/2007
0600404 A-1	8/22/2005
0600404	7/26/2000

Waste Type	Degree of Treatment	Process Type	Disinfection	Avg Annual Flow (MGD)
Sewage	Secondary With Ammonia Reduction	Oxidation Ditch	Ultraviolet	0.8
Hydraulic Capacity (MGD)	Organic Capacity (lbs/day)	Load Status	Biosolids Treatment	Biosolids Use/Disposal
1	1,834	Not Overloaded	Aerobic Digestion	Land Application

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Other Comments:

The WWTP train after construction will be as follows:

1.) fine screen; 2.) oxidation ditch; 3.) two 45-ft diameter final clarifiers; 4.) ultraviolet (UV) disinfection; 5.) sludge pump station; 6.) aerobic digester/holding tanks; and 7.) sludge thickening.

Chemical used:

The system incorporates chemical addition in the form of aluminum sulfate (for phosphorus removal).

Biosolids:

The total sewage sludge/biosolids production within the facility for the previous year was 171.15 dry tons.

Industrial/Commercial Users:

The permit application indicated there is no industrial/commercial contributor to the treatment plant.

Compliance History	
Summary of DMRs:	DMRs reported last 12 months are summarized in the next page.
Summary of Inspections:	7/10/2023: Mr. Buss, DEP WQS, conducted an incident inspection. There were violations noted during inspection. DEP's recommendations: 1. Please submit a 5-day report summarizing the incident. 2. Discuss process changes such as installation of UV units or chlorine disinfection systems with DEP permitting staff. 3. Provide updates to DEP as site conditions change.
Other Comments:	There are no open violations associated with the permittee or the facility.

Other Comments:

Compliance History

DMR Data for Outfall 001 (from December 1, 2023 to November 30, 2024)

Parameter	NOV-24	OCT-24	SEP-24	AUG-24	JUL-24	JUN-24	MAY-24	APR-24	MAR-24	FEB-24	JAN-24	DEC-23
Flow (MGD) Average Monthly	0.414	0.355	0.399	0.467	0.432	0.417	0.489	0.763	0.795	0.523	0.971	0.920
Flow (MGD) Daily Maximum	0.648	0.415	0.621	0.841	0.681	0.688	0.632	1.889	1.547	0.692	1.913	1.811
pH (S.U.) Instantaneous Minimum	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.8	7.1	6.7	6.8	6.5
pH (S.U.) Instantaneous Maximum	7.3	7.4	7.3	7.5	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.4	7.2	7.1
DO (mg/L) Instantaneous Minimum	6.4	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.6	6.5	7.0	6.6	7.1
CBOD5 (lbs/day) Average Monthly	7.89	6	6	9	7	7	11	30.86	31.06	15.41	33.72	42.20
CBOD5 (lbs/day) Weekly Average	10.43	6	8	18	8	12	18	77.20	42.43	30.60	45.89	53.64
CBOD5 (mg/L) Average Monthly	2.0	< 2.0	2.1	< 2.0	< 2.0	< 2.0	3.0	3.0	5.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
CBOD5 (mg/L) Weekly Average	2.0	< 2.0	2.3	4.0	< 2.0	< 2.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	4.0	6.0	4.0
BOD5 (lbs/day) Raw Sewage Influent Average Monthly	2005	429	636	654	801	827	597	1227	905	870	1041	1067
BOD5 (mg/L) Raw Sewage Influent Average Monthly	566.3	150.0	202.75	193.5	220.40	237.25	151.76	131.5	134.3	192.5	145.0	137.5
TSS (lbs/day) Average Monthly	10	10	9	21	12	9	10	51	34	17	55	54
TSS (lbs/day) Raw Sewage Influent Average Monthly	1350	216	828	452	577	636	329	856	556	534	693	816
TSS (lbs/day) Weekly Average	22	14	13	45	23	15	32	173	39	33	101	77
TSS (mg/L) Average Monthly	3.0	4.0	3.0	6.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	4.0	6.0	5.0

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TSS (mg/L) Raw Sewage Influent Average Monthly	360.5	75.8	262.8	138.0	160.0	181.5	84.2	113.0	82.3	122.0	92.0	98.5
TSS (mg/L) Weekly Average	5.0	5.0	4.0	9.0	6.0	5.0	8.0	11.0	6.0	7.0	9.0	8.0
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/L) Average Monthly	472.0	470.0	480.0	478.0	474.0	465.0	477.0	398.0	378.0	456.0	398.0	376.0
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/L) Instantaneous Maximum	516.0	478.0	506.0	496.0	516.0	492.0	505.0	419.0	399.0	496.0	439.0	490.0
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml) Geometric Mean	3	3	23	24	30	7	5	5.0	4	4	4	24
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml) Instantaneous Maximum	11	7	74	44	58	11	16	60.0	10	8	11	2900
UV Intensity (mW/cm²) Instantaneous Minimum	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.6	9.9	9.9	10.1	10.3	10.6	10.8	11.1	11.4
UV Intensity (mW/cm²) Average Monthly	5.7	5.7	6.0	9.3	9.9	10.0	10.2	10.4	10.7	11.0	11.2	11.5
Ammonia (lbs/day) Average Monthly	0.3	0.2	0.2	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	6.8	4.1	1.0	8.3	17.6
Ammonia (mg/L) Average Monthly	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.8	1.5
Total Phosphorus (lbs/day) Average Monthly	2.8	0.2	0.5	2.2	2.5	0.5	0.6	1.0	8.6	3.1	2.2	3.4
Total Phosphorus (mg/L) Average Monthly	0.7	0.1	0.155	0.608	0.676	0.125	0.136	0.2	1.3	0.9	0.3	0.3
Total Phosphorus (mg/L) Instantaneous Maximum	2.2	0.1	0.260	0.930	1.980	0.230	0.210	0.2	4.6	3.0	0.5	1.4
Total Copper (lbs/day) Average Monthly	0.019	0.010	0.009	0.012	0.011	0.013	0.009	0.020	0.023	0.013	0.029	0.039
Total Copper (mg/L) Average Monthly	0.005	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.003	0.004	0.002	0.002	0.004	0.003	0.004	0.004

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DMR Data for Outfall 002 (from December 1, 2023 to November 30, 2024)

Parameter	NOV-24	OCT-24	SEP-24	AUG-24	JUL-24	JUN-24	MAY-24	APR-24	MAR-24	FEB-24	JAN-24	DEC-23
Flow (MGD) Average Monthly	0.0004	0.002	0.011	0.103	0.050	0.075	0.386	0.736	0.806	0.864	0.720	0.351
Flow (MGD) Daily Maximum	0.007	0.036	0.072	0.724	0.277	0.871	0.626	0.886	0.875	0.918	0.896	0.857
pH (S.U.) Instantaneous Minimum	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9	7.1	6.9	7.0	6.9
pH (S.U.) Instantaneous Maximum	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.7	7.7	7.2	7.1
TSS (lbs/day) Average Monthly	0.003	0.03	0.09	3.4	2.1	1	3.2	6.1	6.7	7	6.0	2.9
TSS (lbs/day) Weekly Average	0.06	0.6	1	24.2	11.55	15	5	7.4	7	8	7.0	7
TSS (mg/L) Average Monthly	1.0	2.0	1.0	4.0	5.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
TSS (mg/L) Weekly Average	1.0	2.0	1.0	4.0	5.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml) Daily Maximum	16	48	16	31	44	13	2	7.0	2	2	118	2
Total Nitrogen (lbs/day) Daily Maximum	0.38	1.93	4	37.7	19.52	49	36	50.0	49	53	50	47
Total Nitrogen (mg/L) Daily Maximum	6.49	6.42	6.27	6.25	8.45	6.71	6.85	6.76	6.76	6.91	6.63	6.60
Ammonia (lbs/day) Daily Maximum	0.001	0.01	0.01	0.12	0.05	0.15	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.1
Ammonia (mg/L) Daily Maximum	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02

Existing Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements

Outfall 001,

Parameter	Effluent Limitations						Monitoring Requirements	
	Mass Units (lbs/day) ⁽¹⁾		Concentrations (mg/L)				Minimum ⁽²⁾ Measurement Frequency	Required Sample Type
	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Instantaneous Minimum	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Instant. Maximum		
Flow (MGD)	Report	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Continuous	Measured
pH (S.U.)	XXX	XXX	6.0	XXX	XXX	9.0	1/day	Grab
D.O.	XXX	XXX	6.0	XXX	XXX	XXX	1/day	Grab
Ultraviolet Light Transmittance (%)	XXX	XXX	Report	Report	XXX	XXX	1/day	Measured
CBOD ₅ Oct 1 - Apr 30	93	133	XXX	14.0	20.0	28.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
CBOD ₅ May 1 - Sep 30	47	67	XXX	7.0	10.0	14.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
BOD ₅ Raw Sewage Influent	Report	XXX	XXX	Report	XXX	XXX	1/week	24-Hr Composite
TSS Raw Sewage Influent	Report	XXX	XXX	Report	XXX	XXX	1/week	24-Hr Composite
TSS	67	100	XXX	10.0	15.0	20.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Total Dissolved Solids	XXX	XXX	XXX	1,000	XXX	2,000	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml) Oct 1 - Apr 30	XXX	XXX	XXX	,2000 Geo Mean	XXX	10,000	1/week	Grab
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml) May 1 - Sep 30	XXX	XXX	XXX	200 Geo Mean	XXX	1000	1/week	Grab
Ammonia Nov 1 - Apr 30	30	XXX	XXX	4.5	XXX	9.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Ammonia May 1 - Oct 31	10	XXX	XXX	1.5	XXX	3.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Total Phosphorus	13.3	XXX	XXX	2.0	XXX	4.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Total Copper	0.14	XXX	XXX	0.021	XXX	0.042	1/week	24-Hr Composite

Outfall 002,

Parameter	Effluent Limitations						Monitoring Requirements	
	Mass Units (lbs/day) ⁽¹⁾		Concentrations (mg/L)				Minimum ⁽²⁾ Measurement Frequency	Required Sample Type
	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Instant. Minimum	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Instant. Maximum		
Flow (MGD)	Report	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Continuous	Measured
pH (S.U.)	XXX	XXX	6.0	XXX	XXX	9.0	1/day	Grab
TSS	Report	Report	XXX	10.0	15.0	20.0	1/month	Grab
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml)	XXX	XXX	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	2/month	Grab
Total Nitrogen	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	1/month	Grab
Ammonia	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	1/month	Grab

Development of Effluent Limitations

Outfall No. 001
Latitude 40° 25' 46.00"
Wastewater Description: Sewage Effluent

Design Flow (MGD) 0.8
Longitude -75° 55' 15.00"

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 ₅	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)

Comments: The TRC is not applied because the facility uses UV disinfection.

Water Quality-Based Limitations

Ammonia (NH₃-N):

NH₃-N calculations are based on the Department's Implementation Guidance of Section 93.7 Ammonia Criteria, dated 11/4/97 (ID No. 391-2000-013). The following data is necessary to determine the in-stream NH₃-N criteria used in the attached WQM 7.0 computer model of the stream:

*	Discharge pH	=	7.0	(Default)
*	Discharge Temperature	=	25°C	(Default)
*	Stream pH	=	7.0	(Default)
*	Stream Temperature	=	20°C	(Default)
*	Background NH ₃ -N	=	0 mg/L	(Default)

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)

1.21 Maidencreek Twp PA0070271 0.8000

Parameter	Effluent Limit 30 Day Average (mg/L)	Effluent Limit Maximum (mg/L)	Effluent Limit Minimum (mg/L)
CBOD ₅	25		
NH ₃ -N	5.62	11.24	
Dissolved Oxygen			5

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Regarding NH₃-N limits, the attached computer printout of the WQM 7.0 stream model (version 1.1) indicates that a limit of 5.62 mg/L as a monthly average and 11.24 mg/L instantaneous maximum (IMAX) are necessary to protect the aquatic life from toxicity effects at the point of discharge. Therefore, the existing summer limits of 1.5 mg/L monthly average & 3.0 mg/L IMAX are more stringent and will remain in the proposed permit. The existing winter average monthly limit of 4.5 mg/L & IMAX limit of 9.0 mg/L will remain in place. Recent DMRs and inspection reports show that the facility has been consistently achieving these limits. Mass limits are calculated as follows:

Summer average monthly mass limit: $1.5 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.8 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 10.0 \text{ lbs/day}$

Winter average monthly mass limit: $4.5 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.8 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 30.0 \text{ lbs/day}$

Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD₅):

The attached computer printout of the WQM 7.0 stream model (ver. 1.1) indicates that a monthly average limit of 25.0 mg/L, or secondary treatment, is adequate to protect the water quality of the stream. Therefore, the existing summer limits of 7.0 mg/L monthly average (AML), 10.0 mg/L average weekly limit (AWL), and 14.0 mg/L instantaneous maximum (IMAX) are more stringent and will remain in the amendment permit. Mass limits are calculated as follows:

Average monthly mass limit: $7.0 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.8 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 46.7 \text{ (47.0) lbs/day}$

Average weekly mass limit: $10.0 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.8 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 66.7 \text{ (67.0) lbs/day}$

The existing winter limits of 14.0 mg/L monthly average (AML), 20.0 mg/L average weekly limit (AWL), and 28.0 mg/L instantaneous maximum are more stringent and will remain in the amendment permit. Mass limits are calculated as follows:

Average monthly mass limit: $14.0 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.8 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 93.4 \text{ (93.0) lbs/day}$

Average weekly mass limit: $20.0 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.8 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 133.4 \text{ (133.0) lbs/day}$

Dissolved Oxygen (D.O.):

The limit D.O. of 6.0 mg/L is required per 25 Pa. Code § 93.7. This is consistent with the previous permit and current Department criteria.

Fecal Coliform:

The recent coliform guidance in 25 Pa. Code § 92a.47.(a)(4) requires a summer technology limit of 200/100 ml as a geometric mean and an instantaneous maximum not greater than 1,000/100 ml and 25 Pa Code § 92a.47.(a)(5) requires a winter limit of 2,000/100 ml as a geometric mean and an instantaneous maximum not greater than 10,000/100 ml.

E. Coli:

As recommended by DEP's SOP No. BCW-PMT-033, version 2.0 revised February 5, 2024, a routine monitoring for E. Coli will be included in the proposed permit under 25 Pa. Code § 92a.61. This requirement applies to all sewage dischargers greater than 0.002 MGD in their new and reissued permits. A monitoring frequency of 1/quarter will be included in the permit to be consistent with the recommendation from this SOP.

Total Suspended Solids (TSS):

The existing technology-based limits of 10.0 mg/L average monthly, 15.0 mg/L average weekly, and 20.0 mg/L instantaneous maximum will remain in the amendment permit based on the minimum level of effluent quality attainable by secondary treatment based on 25 Pa. Code § 92a.47. Mass limits are calculated as follows:

Average monthly mass limit: $10.0 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.8 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 66.7 \text{ (67.0) lbs/day}$

Average weekly mass limit: $15.0 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.8 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 100.08 \text{ (10.0) lbs/day}$

UV:

The UV system daily monitor and report the UV light intensity (mW/cm²) will remain in the proposed permit.

Influent BOD₅ and TSS Monitoring:

The amendment permit will continue influent BOD₅ and TSS weekly monitoring at the same frequency as is done for effluent in order to implement Chapter 94.12 and assess percent removal requirements, per DEP policy.

Total Dissolved Solids (TDS):

Additionally, DRBC's regulations, 18 CFR Part 410 Section 3.10.4D.2., state: "*Total dissolved solids shall not exceed 1,000 mg/L, or a concentration established by the Commission which is compatible with designated water uses and stream quality objectives, and recognizes the need for reserve capacity to serve future dischargers.*"

Therefore, the existing TDS limit 1,000 mg/L average monthly & 2,000 mg/L IMAX will remain in the proposed permit.

Toxic:

The data was analyzed based on the guidelines found in DEP's Water Quality Toxics Management Strategy (Document No. 361-0100-003, version 1.4, revised 5/2023) and DEP's SOP No. BPNPSM-PMT-033. Spreadsheet results are attached to this fact sheet. The Toxics Management Spreadsheet uses the following logic:

- Establish average monthly and IMAX limits in the draft permit where the maximum reported concentration exceeds 50% of the WQBEL.
- For non-conservative pollutants, establish monitoring requirements where the maximum reported concentration is between 25% - 50% of the WQBEL.
- For conservative pollutants, establish monitoring requirements where the maximum reported concentration is between 10%-50% of the WQBEL.

Therefore, the results are as follows.

☒ **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 Copper	0.16	0.25	0.024	0.038	0.06	mg/L	0.024	AFC	Discharge Conc ≥ 50% WQBEL (RP)
Total Zinc	Report	Report	Report	Report	Report	mg/L	0.21	AFC	Discharge Conc > 10% WQBEL (no RP)

- Monitoring is recommended for Total Copper, the limits of 0.024 mg/L average monthly, 0.038 mg/L maximum daily, and 0.06 mg/L IMAX; and 0.16 lbs/day AML & 0.25 lbs/day MDL. Therefore, the existing permit limits of 0.021 mg/L average monthly, & 0.042 mg/L IMAX; and 0.14 lbs/day AML are more stringent and will remain in the proposed permit.
- Total Zinc monitoring and report concentration & mass of average monthly requirements will be added in the proposed permit. During the next permit renewal cycle, the need for Zinc monitoring in the permit will be re-evaluated.

Total Phosphorus:

Technology-based phosphorus limits of 2.0 mg/L average monthly and 4.0 mg/L instantaneous maximum were applied by the original 1998 protection report. The limits will remain in the proposed permit. Recent DMR data and inspection reports indicate consistent achievement.

$$\text{Average monthly mass limit: } 2.0 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.800 \text{ MGD} \times 8.34 = 13.3 \text{ lbs/day}$$

Additional Considerations

Flow Monitoring

Flow monitoring will remain in the permit and is required by 40 CFR § 122.44(i)(1)(ii).

Antidegradation

The proposed limits will protect the designated and existing uses of the receiving water consistent with the State's Antidegradation regulations and policy. No Exceptional Value or High-Quality water will be impacted.

Anti-Backsliding

The limits in the current permit have been compared to WQBELs and TBELs. In all cases, the current NPDES permit is more stringent than the TBELs or the developed WQBELs. Therefore, due to anti-backsliding requirements, these effluent limitations will remain in the draft permit.

Development of Effluent Limitations

Outfall No. 002
Latitude 40° 25' 46.00"
Design Flow (MGD) 0
Longitude -75° 55' 15.00"
Wastewater Description: Pumped groundwater from treatment unit area

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
Total Suspended Solids	10	Average Monthly	133.102(b)(1)	92a.47(a)(1)
	15	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	Report Daily Max	Geo Mean	-	92a.47(a)(4)

Outfall 002 consists of pumped groundwater from the treatment unit area. Therefore, individual sewage TBELs are not applicable to this discharge.

Water Quality-Based Limitations

Flow monitoring will remain in the permit and is required by 40 CFR § 122.44(i)(1)(ii).

The effluent discharge pH should remain above 6.0 and below 9.0 standard units according to 25 Pa Code § 95.2(1).

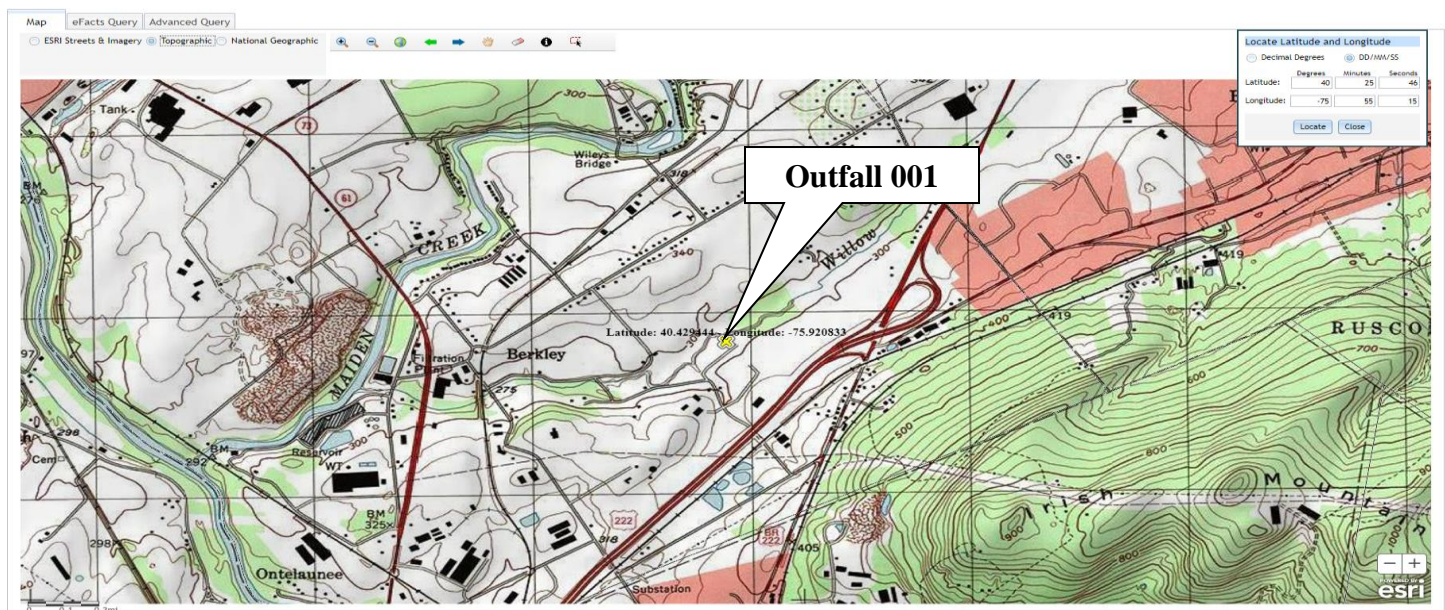
The monitoring frequency for Total Suspended Solids (TSS) limits of 10.0 mg/L AML, 15.0 mg/L AWL, & 20.0 mg/L IMAX will remain the same in the proposed permit as in the current permit (i.e., monthly).

Fecal Coliform monitoring and report Daily Max 2/month will remain in the proposed permit.

The existing Total Nitrogen and Ammonia-Nitrogen monitoring and report concentration & mass Daily Max requirements will remain in the proposed permit with the same monitoring frequency (i.e., monthly).

Anti-Backsliding

There is no recommendation of a reduction in parameters or parameter limits; therefore, all current parameters and limits will remain in the draft permit.



NPDES Permit Fact Sheet
Maidencreek Township STP

NPDES Permit No. PA0070271

WQM 7.0:

The following data were used in the attached computer model (WQM 7.0) of the stream:

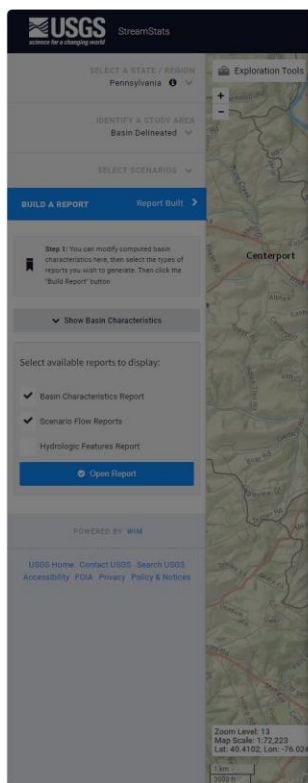
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*	Background NH ₃ -N	=	0 mg/L	(Default)

Node 1: Outfall 001 Willow Creek (1986)

Elevation:	280.0 ft (USGS National Map Viewer)
Drainage Area:	20.8 mi ² (USGS PA StreamStats)
River Mile Index:	1.21 (PA DEP eMapPA)
Low Flow Yield:	0.1 cfs/mi ²
Discharge Flow:	0.8 MGD

Node 2: At confluence with Maiden Creek 1985

Elevation:	250.0 ft (USGS National Map Viewer)
Drainage Area:	21.7 mi ² (USGS PA StreamStats)
River Mile Index:	0.001 (PA DEP eMapPA)
Low Flow Yield:	0.1 cfs/mi ²
Discharge Flow:	0.0 MGD



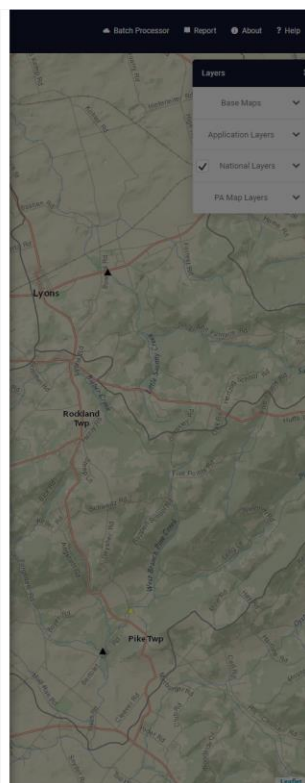
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BSLOPD	Mean Basin Slope degrees	4.3102	degrees	1.7	6.4
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	20.8	square miles	4.78	1150
ROCKDEP	Depth to Rock	5.2	feet	4.13	5.21
URBAN	Percent Urban	7.4817	percent	0	89

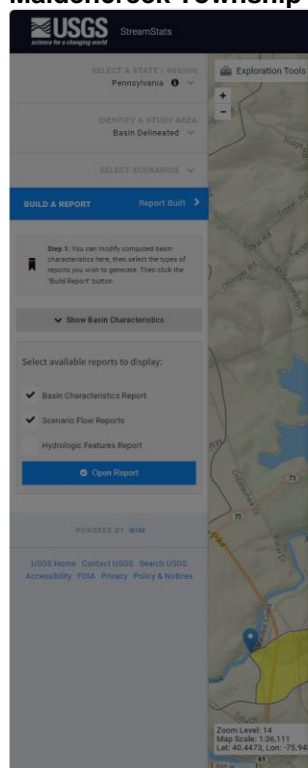
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CARBON	Percent Carbonate	62.75	percent	0	99
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	20.8	square miles	4.93	1280
PRECIP	Mean Annual Precipitation	46	inches	35	50.4
ROCKDEP	Depth to Rock	5.2	feet	3.32	5.65
STDEN	Stream Density	0.93	miles per square mile	0.51	3.1

Statistic	Value	Unit	SE	ASEp
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	6.4	ft ³ /s	46	46
30 Day 2 Year Low Flow	7.93	ft ³ /s	38	38
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	3.37	ft ³ /s	51	51
30 Day 10 Year Low Flow	4.2	ft ³ /s	46	46
90 Day 10 Year Low Flow	6.21	ft ³ /s	41	41

Statistic	Value	Unit	SE	ASEp
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	16.8	ft ³ /s	38	38
30 Day 2 Year Low Flow	17.9	ft ³ /s	33	33
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	12.2	ft ³ /s	51	51
30 Day 10 Year Low Flow	12.8	ft ³ /s	46	46
90 Day 10 Year Low Flow	13.6	ft ³ /s	36	36

Statistic	Value	Unit
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	16.7	ft ³ /s
30 Day 2 Year Low Flow	17.8	ft ³ /s
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	12.1	ft ³ /s
30 Day 10 Year Low Flow	12.7	ft ³ /s
90 Day 10 Year Low Flow	13.5	ft ³ /s





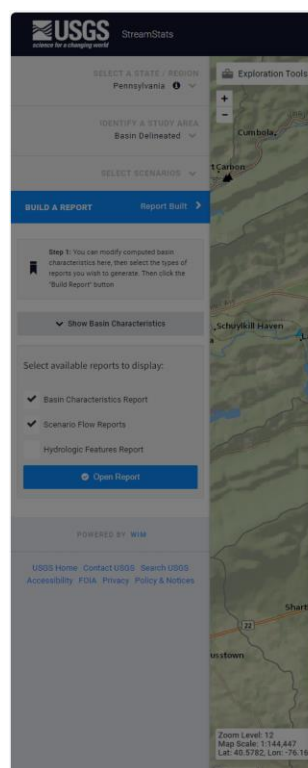
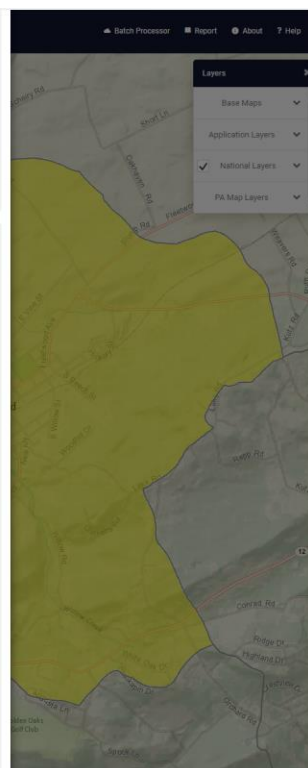
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BSLOPD	Mean basin slope measured in degrees	4.3112	degrees
CARBON	Percentage of area of carbonate rock	63.96	percent
DRNAREA	Area that drains to a point on a stream	21.7	square miles
PRECIP	Mean Annual Precipitation	46	inches
ROCKDEP	Depth to rock	5.2	feet
STRDEN	Stream Density -- total length of streams divided by drainage area	0.95	miles per square mile
URBAN	Percentage of basin with urban development	7.3916	percent

Low-Flow Statistics					
Low-Flow Statistics Parameters [1.0 Percent (0.124 square miles) Low Flow Region 1]					
Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
BSLOPD	Mean Basin Slope degrees	4.3112	degrees	1.7	6.4
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	21.7	square miles	4.78	1150
ROCKDEP	Depth to Rock	5.2	feet	4.13	5.21
URBAN	Percent Urban	7.3916	percent	0	89

Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
CARBON	Percent Carbonate	63.96	percent	0	99
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	21.7	square miles	4.93	1280
PRECIP	Mean Annual Precipitation	46	inches	35	50.4
ROCKDEP	Depth to Rock	5.2	feet	3.32	5.65
STRDEN	Stream Density	0.95	miles per square mile	0.51	3.1

Statistic	Value	Unit	SE	ASE
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	6.67	ft ³ /s	46	46
30 Day 2 Year Low Flow	8.26	ft ³ /s	38	38
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	3.52	ft ³ /s	51	51
30 Day 10 Year Low Flow	4.39	ft ³ /s	46	46
90 Day 10 Year Low Flow	6.47	ft ³ /s	41	41

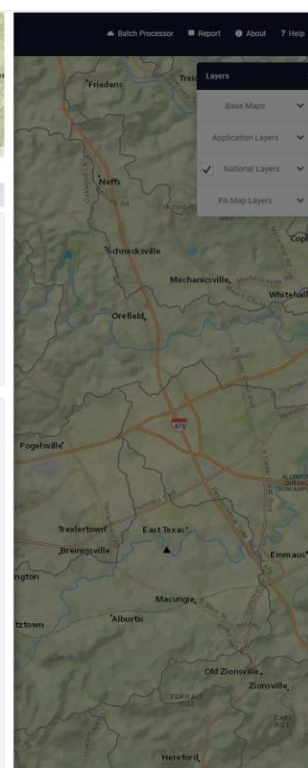
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Parameter Code	Parameter Description	Value	Unit
CARBON	Percentage of area of carbonate rock	10.94	percent
DRNAREA	Area that drains to a point on a stream	158	square miles
PRECIP	Mean Annual Precipitation	47	inches
ROCKDEP	Depth to rock	3.8	feet
STRDEN	Stream Density – total length of streams divided by drainage area	1.52	miles per square mile

Low-Flow Statistics				
Low-Flow Statistics Parameters [Low Flow Region 2]				
Parameter Code	Parameter Name	Value	Units	Min Limit Max Limit
CARBON	Percent Carbonate	10.94	percent	0 99
DRNAREA	Drainage Area	156	square miles	4.93 1280
PRECIP	Mean Annual Precipitation	47	inches	35 50.4
ROCKDEP	Depth to Rock	3.8	feet	3.32 5.65

STDRN	Stream Quality	1.52	miles per square mile	0.51	3.1
Low-Flow Statistics Flow Report [Low Flow Region 2]					
PII: Lower 90% Prediction Interval, PIU: Upper 90% Prediction Interval, ASEp: Average Standard Error of Prediction, SE: Standard Error, PC: Percent Correct, RMSE: Root Mean Squared Error, PseudoR^2: Pseudo R Squared (other -- see report)					
Statistic	Value	Unit	SE	ASEp	
7 Day 2 Year Low Flow	35	ft^3/s	38	38	
30 Day 2 Year Low Flow	46.2	ft^3/s	33	33	
7 Day 10 Year Low Flow	16.3	ft^3/s	51	51	
30 Day 10 Year Low Flow	22.2	ft^3/s	46	46	
90 Day 10 Year Low Flow	32.7	ft^3/s	36	36	



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)
1.21	Maidencreek Twp	PA0070271	0.8000

Parameter	Effluent Limit 30 Day Average (mg/L)	Effluent Limit Maximum (mg/L)	Effluent Limit Minimum (mg/L)
CBOD5	25		
NH3-N	5.62	11.24	
Dissolved Oxygen			5

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WQM 7.0 Effluent Limits

SWP Basin	Stream Code	Stream Name	Disc Flow (mgd)	Parameter	Eff. Limit 30-day Ave. (mg/L)	Eff. Limit Maximum (mg/L)	Eff. Limit Minimum (mg/L)
03B	1906	WILLOW CREEK					
RMI	Name	Permit Number					
1.210	Maidencreek Twp	PA0070271	0.800	CBOD5	25		
				NH3-N	5.62	11.24	
				Dissolved Oxygen			5

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WQM 7.0 Wasteload Allocations

SWP Basin	Stream Code	Stream Name	Disc Flow (mgd)	Parameter	Baseline WLA (mg/L)	Multiple WLA (mg/L)	Baseline WLA (mg/L)	Multiple WLA (mg/L)	Critical Reach	Percent Reduction
03B	1906	WILLOW CREEK								
NH3-N Acute Allocations										
RMI	Discharge Name	Baseline WLA (mg/L)	Multiple WLA (mg/L)	Baseline WLA (mg/L)	Multiple WLA (mg/L)	Critical Reach	Percent Reduction			
1.210	Maidencreek Twp	13.73	28.49	13.73	28.49	0	0			
NH3-N Chronic Allocations										
RMI	Discharge Name	Baseline WLA (mg/L)	Multiple WLA (mg/L)	Baseline WLA (mg/L)	Multiple WLA (mg/L)	Critical Reach	Percent Reduction			
1.210	Maidencreek Twp	1.71	5.62	1.71	5.62	1	0			
Dissolved Oxygen Allocations										
RMI	Discharge Name	Baseline WLA (mg/L)	Multiple WLA (mg/L)	Baseline WLA (mg/L)	Multiple WLA (mg/L)	Critical Reach	Percent Reduction			
1.210	Maidencreek Twp	25	25	5.62	5.62	5	0			

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Input Data WQM 7.0

SWP Basin	Stream Code	Stream Name	R88	Deviation	Coliage Area (sqm)	Slope (ft%)	PWS Withdrawal (mgd)	Apply FC
036	1986	WILLOW CREEK	1.210	280.00	20.80	0.00000	0.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Stream Data

Design Cond.	LFY (sf/m)	Trib Flow (cfs)	Stream Flow (cfs)	Rch Trai Time (days)	Rch Velocity (ft/s)	WD Ratio	Rch Width (ft)	Rch Depth (ft)	Tributary pH	Stream Temp (°C)
Q746	0.000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.000	0.0	0.00	0.00	20.00	7.00
Q146		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.000					
Q3646		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.000					

Discharge Data

Name	Permit Number	Existing Dis. Flow (mgd)	Permitted Dis. Flow (mgd)	Design Dis. Flow (mgd)	Reserve Factor	Dis. Temp (°C)	Dis. pH
Mandacres Tap	PA-0070271	0.00000	0.0000	0.0000	0.000	25.00	7.00

Parameter Data

Parameter Name	Dis. Conc. (mg/L)	Trib Conc. (mg/L)	Stream Conc. (mg/L)	File Gdf (days)
CBO D5		25.00	2.00	0.00
Dechlorated Oxygen		5.00	8.24	0.00
NH3-N		25.00	0.00	0.00

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Input Data WQM 7.8

SWP Basin	Stream Code	Stream Name	RMI	Elevation (ft)	Drainage Area (sq mi)	Slope (ft/ft)	PWS Withdrawal (mgd)	Apply FC
008	1986	WILLOW CREEK	0.001	280.00	21.70	0.0000	0.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Stream Data

Design Cond.	LFY (cfs)	Trib Flow (cfs)	Stream Flow (cfs)	Rch Veloc (ft/s)	Rch Trans Time (days)	WD Ratio	Rch Width (ft)	Rch Depth (ft)	Trubidity	pH	Stream Temp (°C)	pH
Q1-16	0.100	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	20.00	7.00	0.00	0.00
Q1-16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							
Q36-16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							

Discharge Data

Name	Permit Number	Existing Discharge Flow (mgd)	Permitted Discharge Flow (mgd)	Design Discharge Flow (mgd)	Reserve Factor	Discharge Temp (°C)	Discharge pH
Maidencreek Twp	PA0070271	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.000	25.00	7.00

Parameter Data

Parameter Name	Discharge Conc (mg/L)	Trib Conc (mg/L)	Stream Conc (mg/L)	Fate Coef (1/days)
CBO D5	25.00	2.00	0.00	1.50
Dissolved Oxygen	5.00	8.24	0.00	0.00
NH3-N	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.70

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Toxic (TMS)

- Discharge pH = 7.8 (2024 NPDES renew application)
- Hardness = 100 (Default)
- Stream pH = 7.0 (Default)
- Hardness Stream = 100 (Default)

Node 1: Outfall 001 Willow Creek (1986)

Elevation: 280.0 ft (USGS National Map Viewer)
 Drainage Area: 20.8 mi² (USGS PA StreamStats)
 River Mile Index: 1.21 (PA DEP eMapPA)
 Low Flow Yield: 0.1 cfs/mi²
 Discharge Flow: 0.8 MGD

Node 2: At confluence with Maiden Creek 1985

Elevation: 250.0 ft (USGS National Map Viewer)
 Drainage Area: 21.7 mi² (USGS PA StreamStats)
 River Mile Index: 0.001 (PA DEP eMapPA)
 Low Flow Yield: 0.1 cfs/mi²
 Discharge Flow: 0.0 MGD



Discharge Information

Instructions Discharge Stream

Facility: Maidencreek Township Authority NPDES Permit No.: PA0070271 Outfall No.: 001

Evaluation Type: Custom / Additives Wastewater Description: Willow Creek

Discharge Characteristics								
Design Flow (MGD)*	Hardness (mg/l)*	pH (SU)*	Partial Mix Factors (PMFs)				Complete Mix Times (min)	
			AFC	CFC	THH	CRL	Q ₇₋₁₀	Q _h
0.8	100	7.8						

Discharge Pollutant	Units	Max Discharge Conc	0 if left blank		0.5 if left blank		0 if left blank			1 if left blank	
			Trib Conc	Stream Conc	Daily CV	Hourly CV	Stream CV	Fate Coeff	FOS	Criteria Mod	Chem Transl
Total Dissolved Solids (PWS)	mg/L	906									
Chloride (PWS)	mg/L	115									
Bromide	mg/L	0.2									
Sulfate (PWS)	mg/L	29.5									
Total Copper	mg/L	0.021									
Total Lead	mg/L	< 0.001									
Total Zinc	mg/L	0.032									



Stream / Surface Water Information

Maidencreek Township Authority, NPDES Permit No. PA0070271, Outfall 001

Instructions Discharge **Stream**

Receiving Surface Water Name: **Willow Creek**

No. Reaches to Model: **1**

- ☒ Statewide Criteria
☐ Great Lakes Criteria
☐ ORSANCO Criteria

Location	Stream Code*	RMI*	Elevation (ft)*	DA (mi ²)*	Slope (ft/ft)	PWS Withdrawal (MGD)	Apply Fish Criteria*
Point of Discharge	001986	1.21	280	20.8			Yes
End of Reach 1	001986	0.001	250	21.7			Yes

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Location	RMI	LFY (cfs/mi ²)*	Flow (cfs)		W/D Ratio	Width (ft)	Depth (ft)	Velocity (fps)	Travel Time (days)	Tributary		Stream		Analysis	
			Stream	Tributary						Hardness	pH	Hardness*	pH*	Hardness	pH
Point of Discharge	1.21	0.1										100	7		
End of Reach 1	0.001	0.1										100	7		

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Location	RMI	LFY (cfs/mi ²)*	Flow (cfs)		W/D Ratio	Width (ft)	Depth (ft)	Velocity (fps)	Travel Time (days)	Tributary		Stream		Analysis	
			Stream	Tributary						Hardness	pH	Hardness*	pH*	Hardness	pH
Point of Discharge	1.21														
End of Reach 1	0.001														



Model Results

Maidencreek Township Authority, NPDES Permit No. PA0070271, Outfall 001

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CCT (min):

PMF:

Analysis Hardness (mg/l):

Analysis pH:

Pollutants	Stream Conc (µg/L)	Stream CV	Trib Conc (µg/L)	Fate Coef	WQC (µg/L)	WQ Obj (µg/L)	WLA (µg/L)	Comments
Total Dissolved Solids (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Chloride (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Sulfate (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total Copper	0	0		0	13.439	14.0	37.5	Chem Translator of 0.96 applied
Total Lead	0	0		0	64.581	81.6	219	Chem Translator of 0.791 applied
Total Zinc	0	0		0	117.180	120	321	Chem Translator of 0.978 applied

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CCT (min):

PMF:

Analysis Hardness (mg/l):

Analysis pH:

Pollutants	Stream Conc (µg/L)	Stream CV	Trib Conc (µg/L)	Fate Coef	WQC (µg/L)	WQ Obj (µg/L)	WLA (µg/L)	Comments
Total Dissolved Solids (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Chloride (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Sulfate (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total Copper	0	0		0	8.956	9.33	25.0	Chem Translator of 0.96 applied
Total Lead	0	0		0	2.517	3.18	8.53	Chem Translator of 0.791 applied
Total Zinc	0	0		0	118.139	120	321	Chem Translator of 0.986 applied

☒ THH

CCT (min):

PMF:

Analysis Hardness (mg/l):

Analysis pH:

Pollutants	Stream Conc (µg/L)	Stream CV	Trib Conc (µg/L)	Fate Coef	WQC (µg/L)	WQ Obj (µg/L)	WLA (µg/L)	Comments
Total Dissolved Solids (PWS)	0	0		0	500,000	500,000	N/A	
Chloride (PWS)	0	0		0	250,000	250,000	N/A	
Sulfate (PWS)	0	0		0	250,000	250,000	N/A	

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Total Copper	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total Lead	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total Zinc	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	

☒ CRL

CCT (min):

PMF:

Analysis Hardness (mg/l):

Analysis pH:

Pollutants	Stream Conc (µg/L)	Stream CV	Trib Conc (µg/L)	Fate Coef	WQC (µg/L)	WQ Obj (µg/L)	WLA (µg/L)	Comments
Total Dissolved Solids (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Chloride (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Sulfate (PWS)	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total Copper	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total Lead	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total Zinc	0	0		0	N/A	N/A	N/A	

☒ 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 Copper	0.16	0.25	0.024	0.038	0.06	mg/L	0.024	AFC	Discharge Conc ≥ 50% WQBEL (RP)
Total Zinc	Report	Report	Report	Report	Report	mg/L	0.21	AFC	Discharge Conc > 10% WQBEL (no RP)

☒ Other Pollutants without Limits or Monitoring

The following pollutants do not require effluent limits or monitoring based on water quality because reasonable potential to exceed water quality criteria was not determined and the discharge concentration was less than thresholds for monitoring, or the pollutant was not detected and a sufficiently sensitive analytical method was used (e.g., <= Target QL).

Pollutants	Governing WQBEL	Units	Comments
Total Dissolved Solids (PWS)	N/A	N/A	PWS Not Applicable
Chloride (PWS)	N/A	N/A	PWS Not Applicable
Bromide	N/A	N/A	No WQS
Sulfate (PWS)	N/A	N/A	PWS Not Applicable
Total Lead	N/A	N/A	Discharge Conc < TQL

Model Results

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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" (386-0400-001), SOPs and/or BPJ.

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

Parameter	Effluent Limitations						Monitoring Requirements	
	Mass Units (lbs/day) ⁽¹⁾		Concentrations (mg/L)				Minimum ⁽²⁾ Measurement Frequency	Required Sample Type
	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Minimum	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Instant. Maximum		
Flow (MGD)	Report	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Continuous	Measured
pH (S.U.)	XXX	XXX	6.0	XXX	XXX	9.0	1/day	Grab
D.O.	XXX	XXX	6.0	XXX	XXX	XXX	1/day	Grab
CBOD ₅ Oct 1 - Apr 30	93.0	133.0	XXX	14.0	20.0	28.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
CBOD ₅ May 1 - Sep 30	47.0	67.0	XXX	7.0	10.0	14.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
BOD ₅ Raw Sewage Influent	Report	XXX	XXX	Report	XXX	XXX	1/week	24-Hr Composite
TSS	67.0	100.0	XXX	10.0	15.0	20.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
TSS Raw Sewage Influent	Report	XXX	XXX	Report	XXX	XXX	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Total Dissolved Solids	XXX	XXX	1,000 Avg Mo	XXX	XXX	2,000	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml) Oct 1 - Apr 30	XXX	XXX	XXX	2,000 Geo Mean	XXX	10,000	1/week	Grab
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml) May 1 - Sep 30	XXX	XXX	XXX	200 Geo Mean	XXX	1,000	1/week	Grab
E. Coli (No./100 ml)	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Report	1/quarter	Grab
UV Intensity (mW/cm ²)	XXX	XXX	Report	Report	XXX	XXX	1/day	Measured
Ammonia Nov 1 - Apr 30	30.0	XXX	XXX	4.5	XXX	9.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Ammonia May 1 - Oct 31	10.0	XXX	XXX	1.5	XXX	3.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite

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Parameter	Effluent Limitations						Monitoring Requirements	
	Mass Units (lbs/day) ⁽¹⁾		Concentrations (mg/L)				Minimum ⁽²⁾ Measurement Frequency	Required Sample Type
	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Minimum	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Instant. Maximum		
Total Phosphorus	13.3	XXX	XXX	2.0	XXX	4.0	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Total Copper	0.14	XXX	XXX	0.021	XXX	0.042	1/week	24-Hr Composite
Total Zinc	Report	XXX	XXX	Report	XXX	XXX	1/week	24-Hr Composite

Compliance Sampling Location:

Other Comments:

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" (386-0400-001), SOPs and/or BPJ.

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

Parameter	Effluent Limitations						Monitoring Requirements	
	Mass Units (lbs/day) ⁽¹⁾		Concentrations (mg/L)				Minimum ⁽²⁾ Measurement Frequency	Required Sample Type
	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Minimum	Average Monthly	Weekly Average	Instant. Maximum		
Flow (MGD)	Report	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	Continuous	Measured
pH (S.U.)	XXX	XXX	6.0	XXX	XXX	9.0	1/day	Grab
TSS	Report	Report	XXX	10.0	15.0	20	1/month	Grab
Fecal Coliform (No./100 ml)	XXX	XXX	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	2/month	Grab
Total Nitrogen	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	1/month	Grab
Ammonia	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	Report Daily Max	XXX	XXX	1/month	Grab

Compliance Sampling Location:

Other Comments:

Tools and References Used to Develop Permit	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WQM for Windows Model (see Attachment)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Toxics Management Spreadsheet (see Attachment)
<input type="checkbox"/>	TRC Model Spreadsheet (see Attachment)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Temperature Model Spreadsheet (see Attachment)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Quality Toxics Management Strategy, 361-0100-003, 4/06.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technical Guidance for the Development and Specification of Effluent Limitations, 386-0400-001, 10/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Policy for Permitting Surface Water Diversions, 386-2000-019, 3/98.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Policy for Conducting Technical Reviews of Minor NPDES Renewal Applications, 386-2000-018, 11/96.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technology-Based Control Requirements for Water Treatment Plant Wastes, 386-2183-001, 10/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technical Guidance for Development of NPDES Permit Requirements Steam Electric Industry, 386-2183-002, 12/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pennsylvania CSO Policy, 386-2000-002, 9/08.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Water Quality Antidegradation Implementation Guidance, 391-0300-002, 11/03.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance Evaluation & Process Thermal Discharge (316(a)) Federal Water Pollution Act, 386-2000-008, 4/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Determining Water Quality-Based Effluent Limits, 386-2000-004, 12/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance Design Conditions, 386-2000-007, 9/97.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Technical Reference Guide (TRG) WQM 7.0 for Windows, Wasteload Allocation Program for Dissolved Oxygen and Ammonia Nitrogen, Version 1.0, 386-2000-016, 6/2004.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Interim Method for the Sampling and Analysis of Osmotic Pressure on Streams, Brines, and Industrial Discharges, 386-2000-012, 10/1997.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance for Section 95.6 Management of Point Source Phosphorus Discharges to Lakes, Ponds, and Impoundments, 386-2000-009, 3/99.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technical Reference Guide (TRG) PENTOXSD for Windows, PA Single Discharge Wasteload Allocation Program for Toxics, Version 2.0, 386-2000-015, 5/2004.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance for Section 93.7 Ammonia Criteria, 386-2000-022, 11/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Policy and Procedure for Evaluating Wastewater Discharges to Intermittent and Ephemeral Streams, Drainage Channels and Swales, and Storm Sewers, 386-2000-013, 4/2008.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance Total Residual Chlorine (TRC) Regulation, 386-2000-011, 11/1994.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance for Temperature Criteria, 386-2000-001, 4/09.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance for Section 95.9 Phosphorus Discharges to Free Flowing Streams, 386-2000-021, 10/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance for Application of Section 93.5(e) for Potable Water Supply Protection Total Dissolved Solids, Nitrite-Nitrate, Non-Priority Pollutant Phenolics and Fluorides, 386-2000-020, 10/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Field Data Collection and Evaluation Protocol for Determining Stream and Point Source Discharge Design Hardness, 386-2000-005, 3/99.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation Guidance for the Determination and Use of Background/Ambient Water Quality in the Determination of Wasteload Allocations and NPDES Effluent Limitations for Toxic Substances, 386-2000-010, 3/1999.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Design Stream Flows, 386-2000-003, 9/98.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Field Data Collection and Evaluation Protocol for Deriving Daily and Hourly Discharge Coefficients of Variation (CV) and Other Discharge Characteristics, 386-2000-006, 10/98.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Evaluations of Phosphorus Discharges to Lakes, Ponds and Impoundments, 386-3200-001, 6/97.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pennsylvania's Chesapeake Bay Tributary Strategy Implementation Plan for NPDES Permitting, 4/07.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SOP: BCW-PMT-033
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DOCKET NO. D-2000-028 CP-4

DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Maidencreek Township Authority
Wastewater Treatment Plant
Ontelaunee Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania

PROCEEDINGS

This docket is issued in response to an application submitted to the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC or Commission) on February 26, 2020 (Application), for renewal of the docket holder's existing municipal wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) and its discharge. The discharge was approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) in National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. PA0070271.

The application was reviewed for continuation of the project in the Comprehensive Plan and approval under Section 3.8 of the *Delaware River Basin Compact*. The Berks County Planning Commission has been notified of pending action. A public hearing on this project was held by the DRBC on May 12, 2021.

A. DESCRIPTION

1. Purpose. The purpose of this docket is to renew approval of the docket holder's existing 0.8 million gallons per day (mgd) WWTP and its discharge.
2. Location. The docket holder's WWTP is located off Willow Creek Road, approximately ¼ mile northwest of its intersection with East Hullers Lane in Ontelaunee Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The WWTP will continue to discharge treated effluent to Willow Creek, at River Mile 92.47 – 86.1 – 0.6 – 1.0 (Delaware River – Schuylkill River – Maiden Creek – Willow Creek).

Specific location information has been withheld for security reasons.

3. Area Served. The project WWTP will continue to serve Maidencreek and Ontelaunee Townships, in Berks County, Pennsylvania. For the purpose of defining the Area Served, Section B (Type of Discharge) and D (Service Area) of the docket holder's Application are incorporated herein by reference, to the extent consistent with all other conditions contained in the DECISION Section of this docket.
4. Design Criteria. The existing WWTP is designed to treat an average annual flow of 0.8 mgd and a monthly hydraulic design capacity of 1.0 mgd via an activated sludge process through an oxidation ditch treatment system.

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5. **Facilities.** The WWTP facilities consists of a fine screen comminutor, an oxidation ditch, a chemical feed system for phosphorous removal, two 45-foot diameter final clarifiers, an ultraviolet light (UV) disinfection system, a sludge pump station, aerobic digesters/sludge holding tanks, and sludge thickening.

The project facilities are not located in the 100-year floodplain.

Wasted sludge will continue to be hauled off-site for disposal.

6. **Water withdrawals.** The potable water supply in the project service area is provided by groundwater wells owned by the docket holder as described in Docket No. D-1991-058 CP-4, which was approved on September 27, 2006. An application for the renewal of this docket is currently being reviewed by DRBC staff.

7. **NPDES Permit / DRBC Effluent Requirements.** NPDES Permit No. PA0070271 was issued by the PADEP on September 20, 2019 and includes final effluent limitations for the project discharge to surface waters classified by the PADEP as supporting cold water fishes (CWF). EFFLUENT TABLE C-1 included in Section C. DECISION Condition C.1. of this docket contains effluent requirements for DRBC parameters that must be met as a condition of this approval. Effluent requirements for Outfall No. 001 are based on a discharge rate of 0.8 mgd.

8. **Relationship to the Comprehensive Plan.** The existing WWTP was added to the Comprehensive Plan by Docket No. D-1978-014 CP-1 on March 22, 1978. The WWTP approval was renewed and modified by Docket Nos. D-2000-028 and D-2008-028 CP-3 on September 28, 2000 and December 10, 2014, respectively. Issuance of this docket will renew and continue the WWTP and its discharge in the Comprehensive Plan.

B. FINDINGS

The docket holder submitted an application to renew approval of their existing 0.8 mgd WWTP and its discharge.

The Docket holder also discharges pumped groundwater from the treatment area unit through a separate outfall (No. 002).

At the WWTP discharge location, Willow Creek has an estimated seven-day low flow with a recurrence interval of ten years (Q-7-10) of 1.4 mgd (2.1 cfs). The ratio of this low flow to the design wastewater discharge from the WWTP (1.0 mgd) is 1.4 to 1.

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The nearest surface water intake of record for public water supply is located on the Schuylkill River approximately 32 River Miles downstream of the docket holder's WWTP and is operated by the City of Pottstown.

The project does not conflict with the Comprehensive Plan and is designed to prevent substantial adverse impact on the water resources related environment, while sustaining the current and future water uses and development of the water resources of the Basin.

The effluent limits in the NPDES Permit conform with Commission effluent quality requirements, where applicable.

The project is designed to produce a discharge that meets the effluent requirements as set forth in the Commission's *Water Quality Regulations (WQR)*.

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C. DECISION

Effective on the approval date for Docket No. D-2000-028 CP-4 below, the project described in Docket No. D-2000-028 CP-3 is removed from the Comprehensive Plan to the extent that they are not included in Docket No. D-2000-028 CP-4; Docket No. D-2000-028 CP-3 is terminated and replaced by Docket No. 2000-028 CP-4; and the project and the appurtenant facilities described in Section A "DESCRIPTION" of this docket shall be continued in the Comprehensive Plan. The project and appurtenant facilities as described in Section A of this docket are approved pursuant to Section 3.8 of the *Compact*, subject to the following conditions:

Monitoring and Reporting

1. The docket holder shall comply with the requirements contained in the EFFLUENT TABLES below. The docket holder shall submit the required monitoring results electronically to the DRBC Project Review Section via email aemr@drbc.gov on the Annual Effluent Monitoring Report Form located at this web address: <https://www.nj.gov/drbc/programs/project/docket-app-info.html#3>. The monitoring results shall be submitted annually, absent any observed limit violations, by January 31. If a DRBC effluent limit is violated, the docket holder shall submit the result(s) to the DRBC within 30 days of the violation(s) and provide a written explanation that states the action(s) the docket holder has taken to correct the violation(s) and protect against any future violations. The following average monthly effluent limits are among those listed in the NPDES Permit and meet or are more stringent than the effluent requirements of the DRBC.

EFFLUENT TABLE C-1: DRBC Parameters Included in NPDES Permit

OUTFALL 001 (Sewage Effluent)		
PARAMETER	LIMIT	MONITORING
pH (Standard Units)	6 to 9 at all times	As required by NPDES Permit
Total Suspended Solids	10 mg/l	As required by NPDES Permit
BOD ₅ (at 20° C) Influent	Monitor & Report	As required by NPDES Permit
CBOD ₅ (at 20° C) (10-1 to 4-30) (5-1 to 9-30)	14 mg/l 7 mg/l	As required by NPDES Permit
CBOD ₅ (at 20° C) Removal	Minimum 85% Removal	As required by NPDES Permit
Ammonia Nitrogen (5-1 to 10-31) (11-1 to 4-30)	1.5 mg/l 4.5 mg/l	As required by NPDES Permit
Fecal Coliform (5-1 to 9-30) (10-1 to 4-30)	200 colonies per 100 ml as a geo. avg. 2000 colonies per 100 ml as a geo. avg.	As required by NPDES Permit
Total Dissolved Solids*	1000 mg/l	As required by NPDES Permit

* See Condition C.3.

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Other Conditions

2. Except as otherwise authorized by this docket, if the docket holder seeks relief from any limitation based upon a DRBC water quality standard or minimum treatment requirement, the docket holder shall apply for approval from the Executive Director or for a docket revision in accordance with Section 3.8 of the *Compact* and the *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.
3. The docket holder may request of the Executive Director in writing the substitution of specific conductance for TDS. The request should include information that supports the effluent specific correlation between TDS and specific conductance. Upon review, the Executive Director may modify the docket to allow the substitution of specific conductance for TDS monitoring.
4. The docket holder is responsible for timely submittal to the DRBC of a docket renewal application on the appropriate application form including the appropriate docket application filing fee (see 18 CFR 401.43) at least 6 months in advance of the docket expiration date set forth below. The docket holder will be subject to late filed renewal surcharges in the event of untimely submittal of its renewal application, whether or not DRBC issues a reminder notice in advance of the deadline or the docket holder receives such notice. In the event that a timely and complete application for renewal has been submitted and the DRBC is unable, through no fault of the docket holder, to reissue the docket before the expiration date below, the terms and conditions of the current docket will remain fully effective and enforceable against the docket holder pending the grant or denial of the application for docket approval.
5. The docket holder is permitted to treat and discharge wastewater as set forth in the Area Served Section of this docket, which incorporates by reference Sections B (Type of Discharge) and D (Service Area) of the docket holder's Application to the extent consistent with all other conditions of this DECISION Section.
6. The docket holder is prohibited from treating/pre-treating any hydraulic fracturing wastewater from sources in or out of the Basin at this time. Should the docket holder wish to treat/pre-treat hydraulic fracturing wastewater in the future, the docket holder will need to first apply to the Commission to renew this docket and be issued a revised docket allowing such treatment and an expanded service area. Failure to obtain this approval prior to treatment/pre-treatment will result in action by the Commission.
7. The facility and operational records shall be available at all times for inspection by the DRBC.
8. The facility shall be operated at all times to comply with the requirements of the Commission's WQR.
9. If at any time the receiving treatment plant proves unable to produce an effluent that is consistent with the requirements of this docket approval, no further connections shall be permitted until the deficiency is remedied.

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10. Nothing herein shall be construed to exempt the docket holder from obtaining all necessary permits and/or approvals from other State, Federal or local government agencies having jurisdiction over this project.
11. The docket holder shall discharge wastewater in such a manner as to avoid injury or damage to fish or wildlife and shall avoid any injury to public or private property.
12. No sewer service connections shall be made to newly constructed premises with plumbing fixtures and fittings that do not comply with water conservation performance standards contained in Resolution No. 88-2 (Revision 2).
13. The issuance of this docket approval shall not create any private or proprietary rights in the waters of the Basin, and the Commission reserves the right to amend, suspend or rescind the docket for cause, in order to ensure proper control, use and management of the water resources of the Basin.
14. The docket holder shall be subject to applicable DRBC regulatory program fees, in accordance with duly adopted DRBC resolutions and/or regulations (see 18 CFR 401.43).
15. This approval is transferable by request to the DRBC Executive Director provided that the project purpose and area served approved by the Commission in this docket will not be materially altered because of the change in project ownership. The request shall be submitted on the appropriate form and be accompanied by the appropriate fee (see 18 CFR 401.43).
16. The docket holder shall request a name change of the entity to which this approval is issued if the name of the entity to which this approval is issued changes its name. The request for name change shall be submitted on the appropriate form and be accompanied by the appropriate fee (see 18 CFR 401.43).
17. The Executive Director may modify or suspend this approval or any condition thereof, or require mitigating measures pending additional review, if in the Executive Director's judgment such modification or suspension is required to protect the water resources of the Basin.
18. Any person who objects to a docket decision by the Commission may request a hearing in accordance with Article 6 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure. In accordance with Section 15.1(p) of the *Delaware River Basin Compact*, cases and controversies arising under the *Compact* are reviewable in the United States district courts.

BY THE COMMISSION

APPROVAL DATE:

EXPIRATION DATE: September 30, 2029