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National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
Permit Program

PUBLIC NOTICE/FACT SHEET

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Draft Reissued NPDES Permit to Discharge into Waters of the State

Public Notice/Fact Sheet Issued By:

Illinois EPA
Division of Water Pollution Control
Permit Section
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217/782-0610

Name and Address of Discharger: Illinois Department of Natural Resources One Natural Resource Way Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271 Name and Address of Facility: Illini State Park STP 2660 East 2350<sup>th</sup> Road Marseilles, Illinois 61341 (LaSalle County)

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) has made a tentative determination to issue a NPDES Permit to discharge into the waters of the state and has prepared a draft Permit and associated fact sheet for the above named discharger. The Public Notice period will begin and end on the dates indicated in the heading of this Public Notice/Fact Sheet. All comments on the draft Permit and requests for hearing must be received by the IEPA by U.S. Mail, carrier mail or hand delivered by the Public Notice Ending Date. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the draft Permit to the IEPA at the above address. Commentors shall provide his or her name and address and the nature of the issues proposed to be raised and the evidence proposed to be presented with regards to those issues. Commentors may include a request for public hearing. Persons submitting comments and/or requests for public hearing shall also send a copy of such comments or requests to the Permit applicant. The NPDES Permit and notice numbers must appear on each comment page.

The application, engineer's review notes including load limit calculations, Public Notice/Fact Sheet, draft Permit, comments received, and other documents are available for inspection and may be copied at the IEPA between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday when scheduled by the interested person.

If written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in the draft Permit, the permitting authority may, at its discretion, hold a public hearing. Public notice will be given 45 days before any public hearing. Response to comments will be provided when the final Permit is issued. For further information, please call Getie Yilma at 217/782-0610.

The following water quality and effluent standards and limitations were applied to the discharge:

Title 35: Environmental Protection, Subtitle C: Water Pollution, Chapter I: Pollution Control Board and the Clean Water Act were applied in determining the applicable standards, limitations and conditions contained in the draft Permit.

The applicant is engaged in treating domestic wastewater for the Illini State Park.

The length of the Permit is approximately 5 years.

The main discharge number is 001. The seven day once in ten year low flow (7Q10) of the receiving stream, Illinois River is 3,180 cfs.

The design average flow (DAF) for the facility is 0.009119 million gallons per day (MGD) and the design maximum flow (DMF) for the facility is 0.038776 MGD. Treatment consists of septic tanks followed by sand filters and chlorine contact tank.

This Reissued Permit does not increase the facility's DAF, DMF, concentration limits, and/or load limits.

Pursuant to the waiver provisions authorized by 40 CFR § 123.24, this draft permit is within the class, type, and size for which the Regional Administrator, Region V, has waived his right to review, object, or comment on this draft permit action.

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Application is made for the existing discharge(s) which is located in LaSalle County, Illinois. The following information identifies the discharge point, receiving stream and stream classifications:

Discharge				Stream	Integrity
<u>Number</u>	Receiving Stream	<u>Latitude</u>	<u>Longitude</u>	Classification	<u>Rating</u>
001	Illinois River	41° 19' 15" North	88° 42' 21" West	General Use	Not Rated

To assist you further in identifying the location of the discharge(s) please see the attached map.

The stream segment(s), waterbody segment IL\_D-23, receiving the discharge from outfall(s) 001 is on the 303 (d) list of impaired waters.

The following parameters have been identified as the pollutants causing impairment:

Aquatic Life	Causes unknown
Fish Consumption	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), aldrin, dieldrin, endrin, heptachlor, mercury, mirex and toxaphene.
Primary Contact	Fecal coliform bacteria

The discharge from the facility is proposed to be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

Discharge Number(s) and Name(s): 001 STP Outfall

Load limits computed based on a design average flow (DAF) of 0.009119 MGD (design maximum flow (DMF) of 0.038776 MGD).

The effluent of the above discharge(s) shall be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

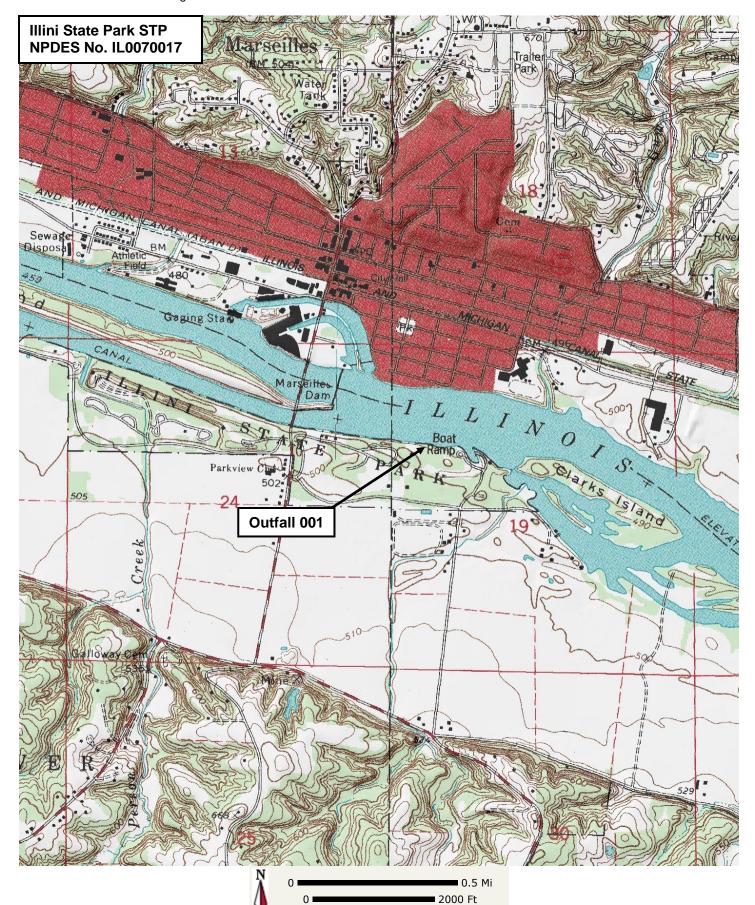
	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day <u>DAF (DMF)*</u>		CONCENTRATION LIMITS mg/L				
<u>Parameter</u>	Monthly <u>Average</u>	Weekly <u>Average</u>	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	Monthly <u>Average</u>	Weekly <u>Average</u>	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	<u>Regulation</u>
CBOD <sub>5</sub> **	1.9 (8.0)	3.0 (13)		25	40		35 IAC 304.120 40 CFR 133.102
Suspended Solids**	2.3 (9.7)	3.4 (15)		30	45		35 IAC 304.120 40 CFR 133.102
pH	Shall be in the range of 6 to 9 Standard Units				35 IAC 304.125		
Fecal Coliform	Daily Maximum shall not exceed 400 per 100 mL.					35 IAC 302.209	
Chlorine Residual						0.75	35 IAC 302.208
Ammonia Nitrogen (as N): March-May/SeptOct. June-August	0.11 (0.49) 0.08 (0.32)	0.29(1.23) 0.19(0.81)	0.6 (2.55) 0.40 (1.68)	1.5 1.0	3.8 2.5	7.9 5.2	35 IAC 355 and 35 IAC 302
NovFeb.	0.27 (1.13)		0.35(1.49)	3.5		4.6	

<sup>\*</sup>Load Limits are calculated by using the formula: 8.34 x (Design Average and/or Maximum Flow in MGD) x (Applicable Concentration in mg/L)

<sup>\*\*</sup>BOD $_5$  and Suspended Solids (85% removal required): In accordance with 40 CFR 133, the 30-day average percent removal shall not be less than 85 percent.

This draft Permit also contains the following requirements as special conditions:

- 1. Reopening of this Permit to include different final effluent limitations.
- 2. Operation of the facility by or under the supervision of a certified operator.
- 3. Submission of the operational data in a specified form and at a required frequency at any time during the effective term of this Permit.
- 4. More frequent monitoring requirement without Public Notice.
- 5. Prohibition against causing or contributing to violations of water quality standards.
- 6. Recording the monitoring results on Discharge Monitoring Report Forms using one such form for each outfall each month and submitting the forms to IEPA each month.
- 7. The provisions of 40 CFR Section 122.41(m) & (n) are incorporated herein by reference.
- 8. Effluent sampling point location.
- 9. Reopening of this Permit to include revised effluent limitations based on a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) or other water quality study.
- 8. Effluent sampling point location.
- 9. Submission of semi annual reports indicating the quantities of sludge generated and disposed.
- 11. A zone of initial dilution and mixing zone for ammonia and chlorine.



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## NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

Reissued (NPDES) Permit

**Expiration Date:** 

Issue Date: Effective Date:

Name and Address of Permittee: Illinois Department of Natural Resources One Natural Resource Way Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271 Facility Name and Address: Illini State Park STP 2660 East 2350<sup>th</sup> Road Marseilles, Illinois 61341 (LaSalle County)

Receiving Waters: Illinois River

In compliance with the provisions of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, Title 35 of the Ill. Adm. Code, Subtitle C, Chapter I, and the Clean Water Act (CWA), the above-named Permittee is hereby authorized to discharge at the above location to the above-named receiving stream in accordance with the Effluent Limitations, Monitoring, and Reporting requirements; Special Conditions and Attachment H Standard Conditions attached herein.

Permittee is not authorized to discharge after the above expiration date. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the expiration date, the Permittee shall submit the proper application as required by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) not later than 180 days prior to the expiration date.

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## Effluent Limitations, Monitoring, and Reporting

**FINAL** 

Discharge Number(s) and Name(s): 001 STP Outfall

Load limits computed based on a design average flow (DAF) of 0.009119 MGD (design maximum flow (DMF) of 0.038776 MGD).

From the effective date of this Permit until the expiration date, the effluent of the above discharge(s) shall be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

	LO	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day CONCENTRATION  DAF (DMF)* LIMITS mg/L		_				
<u>Parameter</u>	Monthly Average	Weekly <u>Average</u>	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	Monthly Average	Weekly Average	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	Sample <u>Frequency</u>	Sample Type
Flow (MGD)							Continuous	
CBOD <sub>5</sub> **,***	1.9 (8.0)	3.0 (13)		25	40		1 Day/Month	Composite
Suspended Solids***	2.3 (9.7)	3.4 (15)		30	45		1 Day/Month	Composite
pH	Shall be in the range of 6 to 9 Standard Units						1 Day/Month	Grab
Fecal Coliform	Daily Maximum shall not exceed 400 per 100 mL.					per 100 mL.	1 Day/Month	Grab
Chlorine Residual						0.75	1 Day/Month	Grab
Ammonia Nitrogen: (as N) March-May/SeptOct. June-August NovFeb.	0.11 (0.49) 0.08 (0.32) 0.27 (1.13)	0.29( 1.23) 0.19 (0.81)	0.6 (2.55) 0.40(1.68) 0.35(1.49)	1.5 1.0 3.5	3.8 2.5	7.9 5.2 4.6	1 Day/Month	Composite

<sup>\*</sup>Load limits based on design maximum flow shall apply only when flow exceeds design average flow.

Flow shall be reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) as monthly average and daily maximum. Fecal Coliform shall be reported on the DMR as a daily maximum value. pH shall be reported on the DMR as minimum and maximum value.

Chlorine Residual shall be reported on DMR as daily maximum value.

Ammonia Nitrogen shall be reported on the DMR as a daily maximum value.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Carbonaceous BOD<sub>5</sub> (CBOD<sub>5</sub>) testing shall be in accordance with 40 CFR 136.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>BOD<sub>5</sub> and Suspended Solids (85% removal required): In accordance with 40 CFR 133, the 30-day average percent removal shall not be less than 85 percent. The percent removal need not be reported to the IEPA on DMRs but influent and effluent data must be available, as required elsewhere in this Permit, for IEPA inspection and review. For measuring compliance with this requirement, 5 mg/L shall be added to the effluent CBOD<sub>5</sub> concentration to determine the effluent BOD<sub>5</sub> concentration. Percent removal is a percentage expression of the removal efficiency across a treatment plant for a given pollutant parameter, as determined from the 30-day average values of the raw wastewater influent concentrations to the facility and the 30-day average values of the effluent pollutant concentrations for a given time period.

# Influent Monitoring, and Reporting

The influent to the plant shall be monitored as follows:

<u>Parameter</u>	Sample Frequency	Sample Type	
Flow (MGD)	Continuous		
BOD₅	1 Day/Month	Composite	
Suspended Solids	1 Day/Month	Composite	

Influent samples shall be taken at a point representative of the influent.

Flow (MGD) shall be reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) as monthly average and daily maximum.

 $\mathsf{BOD}_5$  and Suspended Solids shall be reported on the DMR as a monthly average concentration.

## **Special Conditions**

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 1</u>. This Permit may be modified to include different final effluent limitations or requirements which are consistent with applicable laws and regulations. The IEPA will public notice the permit modification.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 2</u>. The use or operation of this facility shall be by or under the supervision of a Certified Class 4 operator.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 3</u>. The IEPA may request in writing submittal of operational information in a specified form and at a required frequency at any time during the effective period of this Permit.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 4</u>. The IEPA may request more frequent monitoring by permit modification pursuant to 40 CFR § 122.63 and Without Public Notice.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 5</u>. The effluent, alone or in combination with other sources, shall not cause a violation of any applicable water quality standard outlined in 35 III. Adm. Code 302 and 303.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 6.</u> The Permittee shall record monitoring results on Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) electronic forms using one such form for each outfall each month.

In the event that an outfall does not discharge during a monthly reporting period, the DMR Form shall be submitted with no discharge indicated.

The Permittee is required to submit electronic DMRs (NetDMRs) instead of mailing paper DMRs to the IEPA unless a waiver has been granted by the Agency. More information, including registration information for the NetDMR program, can be obtained on the IEPA website, <a href="https://mxww2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/water-quality/surface-water/netdmr/pages/quick-answer-quide.aspx">https://mxww2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/water-quality/surface-water/netdmr/pages/quick-answer-quide.aspx</a>.

The completed Discharge Monitoring Report forms shall be submitted to IEPA no later than the 25<sup>th</sup> day of the following month, unless otherwise specified by the permitting authority.

Permittees that have been granted a waiver shall mail Discharge Monitoring Reports with an original signature to the IEPA at the following address:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Division of Water Pollution Control Attention: Compliance Assurance Section, Mail Code # 19 1021 North Grand Avenue East Post Office Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

SPECIAL CONDITION 7. The provisions of 40 CFR Section 122.41(m) & (n) are incorporated herein by reference.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 8.</u> Samples taken in compliance with the effluent monitoring requirements shall be taken at a point representative of the discharge, but prior to entry into the receiving stream.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 9.</u> This Permit may be modified to include alternative or additional final effluent limitations pursuant to an approved Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Study or upon completion of an alternate Water Quality Study.

SPECIAL CONDITION 10 For the duration of this Permit, the Permittee shall determine the quantity of sludge or septage produced by the treatment facility or individual systems in dry tons or gallons with average percent total solids analysis. The Permittee shall maintain adequate records of the quantities of sludge or septage produced and have said records available for IEPA inspection. The Permittee shall submit to the IEPA, at a minimum, a semi-annual summary report of the quantities of sludge or septage generated and disposed of, in units of dry tons or gallons (average total percent solids) by different disposal methods including but not limited to application on farmland, application on reclamation land, landfilling, public distribution, dedicated land disposal, sod farms, storage lagoons or any other specified disposal method. Said reports shall be submitted to the IEPA by January 31 and July 31 of each year reporting the preceding January thru June and July thru December interval of sludge disposal operations.

The Permittee shall formulate a procedure of inspecting the individual septic tanks and removing the waste as needed on a rotating basis. A record shall be kept of which tanks were inspected, which tanks had waste removed and of any recommendation based upon the inspection.

Duty to Mitigate. The Permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize any sludge use or disposal in violation of this Permit.

Sludge monitoring must be conducted according to test procedures approved under 40 CFR 136 unless otherwise specified in 40 CFR 503, unless other test procedures have been specified in this Permit.

Planned Changes. The Permittee shall give notice to the IEPA on the semi-annual report of any changes in sludge use and disposal.

#### **Special Conditions**

The Permittee shall retain records of all sludge monitoring, and reports required by the Sludge Permit as referenced in Standard Condition 25 for a period of at least five (5) years from the date of this Permit.

If the Permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit or the Sludge Permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the reporting of data submitted to the IEPA.

The Permittee shall comply with existing federal regulations governing sewage sludge use or disposal and shall comply with all existing applicable regulations in any jurisdiction in which the sewage sludge is actually used or disposed.

The Permittee shall comply with standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established under section 405(d) of the CWA within the time provided in the regulations that establish the standards for sewage sludge use or disposal even if the permit has not been modified to incorporate the requirement.

The Permittee shall ensure that the applicable requirements in 40 CFR Part 503 are met when the sewage sludge is applied to the land, placed on a surface disposal site, or fired in a sewage sludge incinerator.

Monitoring reports for sludge shall be reported on the form titled "Sludge Management Reports" to the following address:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Bureau of Water Compliance Assurance Section Mail Code #19 1021 North Grand Avenue East Post Office Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

<u>SPECIAL CONDITION 11</u>. Based on the DMR data submitted to the agency, the effluent from this facility meets the Water Quality Standards without mixing. Therefore, mixing for ammonia was not granted for this discharge. If mixing is determined necessary, the permittee must demonstrate compliance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code 302.102 (a) and (b).