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AUGUST 21, 2018

Steve Wilson, Project Manager
Maumee Watershed Conservancy District
1464 Pinehurst Drive
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Re: Blanchard River Flood Reduction
Director's Authorization
Approval
Municipal Solid Waste Landfills
Hancock County
ST023094

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Entered Directors Journal

**Subject: Hancock County Flood Risk Reduction Program, Hancock County
Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-13 Authorization**

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On July 27, 2018, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM), Northwest District Office (NWDO) received a request dated July 11, 2018, titled "Hancock County Flood Risk Reduction Program – Supplemental Soil Investigation and 'Rule 13' Application" (Request). The Request was submitted in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-13(F) by Stantec Consulting Services Inc, on behalf of the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District. The proposed project is subject to the requirements of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-27-13 due to the presence of: a historic dump (Swale Park Landfill), a Corrective Action Facility (City of Findlay Street Department – Former Tar Pit and Drum Storage Area), and a former scrap tire site (Brandman Corporation). The general location of the project is along the north bank of the Blanchard River in the City of Findlay (see Figure 1 of Appendix A of the Request).

Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3734.02(H) requires authorization from the Director of Ohio EPA ("Director") before engaging in filling, grading, excavating, building, drilling, or mining activities on land where a solid waste or hazardous waste facility was operated.

Based upon a review of the Request, I have determined, pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-27-13, that the proposed activities, if conducted in accordance with the Request as submitted on December 14, 2017 and last revised on July 27, 2018, along with the following conditions, will not result in violation of applicable laws and regulations, will not create a nuisance, and are unlikely to adversely affect public safety or health or the environment. Therefore, the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District is hereby authorized to perform the activities outlined in this letter in accordance with the plans, specifications, and information submitted as part of the Request.

As part of this approval, the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District is subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

General Conditions:

1. This approval grants authorization to perform activities at the Facility in accordance with the Request as submitted on December 14, 2017 and last revised on July 27, 2018. All activities shall be conducted in strict accordance with the plans, specifications, and other information submitted as part of the Request. There may be no deviation from the approved plans without prior written authorization from Ohio EPA. Any future activities at the Facility may require additional Ohio EPA approval.
2. Not later than seventy-two (72) hours prior to the start of the activities associated with this authorization, The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District shall submit written notification, which specifies the anticipated date of commencement, to Ohio EPA, DMWM, NWDO and Hancock Public Health.
3. Access shall be allowed at the Facility to the Director or a representative authorized by the Director at any time to make inspections, conduct tests, or examine records and reports pertaining to the authorized activities.
4. All on-site activities shall be accomplished in compliance with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to environmental protection, including but not limited to the control of air pollution, leachate, surface water run-on and run-off, and protection of ground water.

Operational Conditions:

5. OAC Rule 3745-27-13(G)(3)(c)

Any solid and/or hazardous waste to be removed from the Facility shall be containerized and securely stored until these materials are properly characterized and disposed of in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 3734 and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

6. Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111

Any liquids, semi-solids, industrial wastes, and other wastes regulated by ORC Chapter 6111 that are removed during intrusive activities shall be containerized and securely stored until these materials are properly characterized and disposed of in accordance with ORC Chapter 6111 and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

7. OAC Rule 3745-27-13(J)

All on-site activities shall be performed in a manner that:

- a. Prevents migration of leachate, explosive gas, or toxic gas from the Facility;
- b. Does not create a nuisance or adversely affect public safety or health or the environment;
- c. Controls fugitive dust and other air emissions; and
- d. Minimizes the potential for increased infiltration of surface water.

8. For the purposes of erosion control, The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District shall use best management practices and standards as specified in the National Resources Conservation manual titled Rainwater and Land Development prepared by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Soil & Water Conservation.

9. OAC Rule 3745-27-13(H)(6)

No boring or excavation shall occur within the limits of waste placement unless any excavated waste is replaced within previously existing horizontal and vertical limits of waste placement or is treated or disposed of at a licensed, permitted treatment or disposal facility, in accordance with ORC Chapter 3734 and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

10. OAC Rule 3745-27-13(H)(7)

If boring or excavation occurs outside the limits of waste placement at the Facility, The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District shall not use material consisting of solid waste or hazardous waste to backfill the bored or excavated areas.

11. OAC Rule 3745-27-13(H)(10)

Not later than sixty (60) days after completing the activities authorized through this approval, The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District shall submit to Ohio EPA, DMWM, NWDO, a certification report in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-27-13(H)(10).

12. OAC Rule 3745-27-13(M)

This authorization shall terminate three (3) years after its effective date if The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District has not begun the activities authorized herein.

13. OAC Rule 3745-27-13(O)

The Director may revoke this authorization if The Maumee Watershed Conservancy District violates, or is likely to violate, any applicable law or if continued implementation

of the approved plans may cause a threat to human health or safety or the environment.

END OF CONDITIONS

Nothing in this letter shall be construed to authorize any waiver from the requirements of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations except as specified herein. This authorization shall not be interpreted to release the Maumee Watershed Conservancy District from responsibility under ORC Chapters 3704, 3714, 3734, or 6111; under the Federal Clean Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, or the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; or from other applicable requirements for remedying conditions resulting from any release of contaminants to the environment.

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to ORC Section 3745.04. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00, made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio." The Commission, in its discretion, may reduce the fee if by affidavit it is demonstrated that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission
30 East Broad Street, 4th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

If you have any questions regarding this authorization, please contact John Pasquarette of Ohio EPA, NWDO at (419) 373-3057.

Sincerely,



Craig W. Butler
Director

cc: Derek Dalton, Stantec Consulting Services Inc.