

June 9, 2021

Mr. Steve Dufresne, Director of Utilities
City of Van Buren Municipal Utilities- South Plant
PO Box 1269
Van Buren, AR 72956

RE: City of Van Buren South Plant Inspections (Crawford Co)

AFIN: 17-00062 NPDES Permit No.: AR0021482

ARR000413

Dear Mr. Dufresne:

On April 8, 2021, I performed a Compliance Evaluation Inspection, an SSO/Collection System Inspection, and an Industrial Stormwater (No-Exposure) Inspection of the above-referenced facility in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act, the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act, and the regulations promulgated thereunder. A copy of each inspection report is enclosed for your records.

No violations were noted at the time of the inspections. Please refer to each of the inspection reports for any comments.

If I can be of any assistance please contact me at harmont@adeq.state.ar.us or (501) 837-2070.

Sincerely,

Jewis Hormun

Travis Harmon

Inspector, Office of Water Quality

5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR, 72118



ENVIRONMENTAL

OFFICE OF WATER QUALITY INSPECTION REPORT

AFIN: **17-00062** PERMIT #: **AR0021482** DATE: 4/8/2021

COUNTY: 17 Crawford PDS #: **116254** MEDIA: WN

GPS LAT: 35.417304 LONG: -94.337499 LOCATION: General Area								
FACILITY INFORMATIO	N	INS	SPEC	TION INF	ORMATION			
City of Van Buren South Plant		FACILITY TYPE: 1 - Municipal	3468	tor id#: 39 S - Sta	te			
1401 Port Road		5 - Satisfactory		C	SPECTION TYPE: Compliance Evaluation			
Van Buren, AR 72956		(-)	RY TIME:	12:30	PERMIT EFFECTIVE DATE:			
RESPONSIBLE OFFICIA	L	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			12/1/2020 PERMIT EXPIRATION DATE:			
NAME: / TITLE Mr. Steve Dufresne / Director of Utiliti	es				11/30/2025			
COMPANY:	FAYETTEVILLE SHALE RELATED: N							
City of Van Buren Municipal Utilities- S	FAYETTEVILLE SHALE VIOLATIONS: N							
PO Box 1269		INSPECTION PARTICIPANTS NAME/TITLE/PHONE/FAX/FMAIL/ETC:						
CITY, STATE, ZIP: Van Buren AR 72956 PHONE & EXT: / FAX: 479-474-5067 / 479-471-8969 EMAIL:		Mr. James Dunr	/ Chi		Operator/ 479-474-5067 TP Operator/479-474-			
Steve@vbmu.org james@vbmu.org								
vbsouthwwtp@vbmu.org								
CONTACTED DURING INSPECTION: N	0							
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S PERMIT S			S	f e	1WATER			
S RECORDS/REPORTS S	LABORATORY		S	FACILIT	ΓY SITE REVIEW			

	AREA EVALUATIONS								
	(S=S	atisfac	tory, M=Marginal, U=Unsatisfactory, N=Not Applicable/Eva	luated					
S	PERMIT	S	FLOW MEASUREMENT	S	STORMWATER				
S	RECORDS/REPORTS	S	LABORATORY	S	FACILITY SITE REVIEW				
S	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	S	EFFLUENT/RECEIVING WATER	N	SELF-MONITORING PROGRAM				
S	SAMPLING	S	SLUDGE HANDLING/DISPOSAL	N	PRETREATMENT				
N	OTHER:								

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

I found no permit violations at the time of inspection.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Introduction

I inspected on April 8, 2021. The inspection was scheduled. Mr. James Dunn, Chief Plant Operator, and Mr. Brandon Myers, Main WWTP Operator, represented the facility during the inspection. I also conducted inspections of the collection system and IGP (ARR00043). Van Buren operates a POTW designed for 4.0 MGD. Treatment consists of bar screening, pH adjustment (when needed), diffused air activated sludge, two secondary clarifiers, and UV disinfection.

Records Review

I reviewed monthly DMR from March 2020 to February 2021 prior to the inspection. The facility reported no effluent exceedances during this time. Passing was reported in quarterly biomonitoring during this time. The facility has demonstrated 89% removal for Part II.2 of the permit. Lab analysis is conducted by Data Testing.

WWTP Inspection

I inspected the WWTP from influent to final effluent. All systems of treatment were operating and appeared maintained. Mr. Myers collected a final effluent sample for visual observation. Final effluent appeared sufficiently treated at the time of inspection. I also inspected the composite sampler. Flow is measured by an inline flow meter. I viewed DO and pH meter calibration records and verified pH buffer solutions were in date.

INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:

Travis Harmon

DATE: 4/23/2021

SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE:

Kerri McCabe

DATE: 6/8/2021

SECTION A: PERMIT VERIFICATION	
PERMIT SATISFACTORILY ADDRESSES OBSERVATIONS	⊠S □M □U □NA □NE
DETAILS:	
1. CORRECT NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE:	Øy □n □na □ne
2. NOTIFICATION GIVEN TO EPA/STATE OF NEW DIFFERENT OR INCREASED DISCHARGES:	□Y □N ☑NA □NE
3. NUMBER AND LOCATION OF DISCHARGE POINTS AS DESCRIBED IN PERMIT:	ØY □N □NA □NE
4. ALL DISCHARGES ARE PERMITTED:	Øy □n □na □ne
SECTION B: RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING EVALUATION	
RECORDS AND REPORTS MAINTAINED AS REQUIRED BY PERMIT	☑S □M □U □NA □NE
DETAILS:	
1. ANALYTICAL RESULTS CONSISTENT WITH DATA REPORTED ON DMRS:	☑Y □N □NA □NE
2. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES DATA ADEQUATE AND INCLUDE:	⊠s □m □u □na □ne
a. DATES AND TIME(S) OF SAMPLING:	Øy □n □na □ne
b. EXACT LOCATION(S) OF SAMPLING:	☑Y □N □NA □NE
c. NAME OF INDIVIDUAL PERFORMING SAMPLING:	☑Y □N □NA □NE
d. ANALYTICAL METHODS AND TECHNIQUES:	☑Y □N □NA □NE
e. RESULTS OF CALIBRATIONS: PH & DO in house	☑Y □N □NA □NE
f. RESULTS OF ANALYSES:	☑y □n □na □ne
g. DATES AND TIMES OF ANALYSES:	Øy □n □na □ne
h. NAME OF PERSON(S) PERFORMING ANALYSES:	Øy □n □na □ne
3. LABORATORY EQUIPMENT CALIBRATION AND MAINTENANCE RECORDS ADEQUATE: Certified contract lab	□S □M □U □NA ☑NE
4. PLANT RECORDS INCLUDE SCHEDULES, DATES OF EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR:	⊠S □M □U □NA □NE
5. EFFLUENT LOADINGS CALCULATED USING DAILY EFFLUENT FLOW AND DAILY ANALYTICAL DATA:	⊠y □n □na □ne
SECTION C: OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE	
TREATMENT FACILITY PROPERLY OPERATED AND MAINTAINED	☑S □M □U □NA □NE
DETAILS:	
1. TREATMENT UNITS PROPERLY OPERATED:	⊠S □M □U □NA □NE
2. TREATMENT UNITS PROPERLY MAINTAINED:	☑S ☐M ☐U ☐NA ☐NE
3. STANDBY POWER OR OTHER EQUIVALENT PROVIDED:	☑S ☐M ☐U ☐NA ☐NE
4. ADEQUATE ALARM SYSTEM FOR POWER OR EQUIPMENT FAILURES AVAILABLE:	☑S ☐M ☐U ☐NA ☐NE
5. ALL NEEDED TREATMENT UNITS IN SERVICE:	⊠S □M □U □NA □NE
6. ADEQUATE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED OPERATORS PROVIDED:	⊠S □M □U □NA □NE
7. SPARE PARTS AND SUPPLIES INVENTORY MAINTAINED:	☑S ☐M ☐U ☐NA ☐NE
8. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL AVAILABLE:	□Y □N □NA ☑NE
9. STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES AND SCHEDULES ESTABLISHED:	□Y □N □NA ☑NE
10. PROCEDURES FOR EMERGENCY TREATMENT CONTROL ESTABLISHED:	□y □n □na ☑ne
11. HAVE BYPASSES/OVERFLOWS OCCURRED AT THE PLANT OR IN THE COLLECTION SYSTEM IN THE LAST YEAR:	□y Øn □na □ne
12. IF SO, HAS THE REGULATORY AGENCY BEEN NOTIFIED:	□Y □N ☑NA □NE
13. HAS CORRECTIVE ACTION BEEN TAKEN TO PREVENT ADDITIONAL BYPASSES/OVERFLOWS:	□y □n ☑na □ne
14. HAVE ANY HYDRAULIC OVERLOADS OCCURRED AT THE TREATMENT PLANT:	□y Øn □na □ne
15. IF SO, DID PERMIT VIOLATIONS OCCUR AS A RESULT:	□Y □N ☑NA □NE

SECTION D: SAMPLING	
PERMITTEE SAMPLING MEETS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	ØS DM DU DNA DNE
DETAILS:	
SAMPLES TAKEN AT SITE(S) SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	⊠y □n □na □ne
2. LOCATIONS ADEQUATE FOR REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLES:	Øy □n □na □ne
3. FLOW PROPORTIONED SAMPLES OBTAINED WHEN REQUIRED BY PERMIT:	Øy □n □na □ne
4. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES COMPLETED ON PARAMETERS SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	Øy □n □na □ne
5. SAMPLING AND ANALYSES PERFORMED AT FREQUENCY SPECIFIED IN PERMIT:	⊠y □n □na □ne
6. SAMPLE COLLECTION PROCEDURES ADEQUATE:	⊠y □n □na □ne
a. SAMPLES REFRIGERATED DURING COMPOSITING:	⊠y □n □na □ne
b. PROPER PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES USED:	⊠y □n □na □ne
c. CONTAINERS AND SAMPLE HOLDING TIMES CONFORM TO 40 CFR 136:	⊠y □n □na □ne
7. IF MONITORING IS PERFORMED MORE OFTEN THAN REQUIRED ARE RESULTS REPORTED ON THE DMR:	□Y □N ØNA □NE
SECTION E: FLOW MEASUREMENT	
PERMITTEE FLOW MEASUREMENT MEETS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	ØS DM DU DNA DNE
DETAILS: In-line flow meter	
PRIMARY FLOW MEASUREMENT DEVICE PROPERLY INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED: TYPE OF DEVICE:	□y □n ☑na □ne
2. FLOW MEASURED AT EACH OUTFALL AS REQUIRED:	⊠y □n □na □ne
3. SECONDARY INSTRUMENTS (TOTALIZERS, RECORDERS, ETC.) PROPERLY OPERATED AND MAINTAINED:	⊠y □n □na □ne
4. CALIBRATION FREQUENCY ADEQUATE:	□y □n ☑na □ne
5. RECORDS MAINTAINED OF CALIBRATION PROCEDURES:	□y □n ☑na □ne
6. CALIBRATION CHECKS DONE TO ASSURE CONTINUED COMPLIANCE:	□y □n ☑na □ne
7. FLOW ENTERING DEVICE WELL DISTRIBUTED ACROSS THE CHANNEL AND FREE OF TURBULENCE:	□y □n ☑na □ne
8. FLOW MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT ADEQUATE TO HANDLE EXPECTED RANGE OF FLOW RATES:	□y □n ☑na □ne
9. HEAD MEASURED AT PROPER LOCATION:	□y □n ☑na □ne
SECTION F: LABORATORY	
PERMITTEE LABORATORY PROCEDURES MEET PERMIT REQUIREMENTS	☑S □M □U □NA □NE
DETAILS:	
1. EPA APPROVED ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES USED (40 CFR 136.3 FOR LIQUIDS, 503.8(B) FOR SLUDGES) :	☑Y □N □NA □NE
2. IF ALTERNATIVE ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES ARE USED, PROPER APPROVAL HAS BEEN OBTAINED:	□Y □N ☑NA □NE
3. SATISFACTORY CALIBRATION AND MAINTENANCE OF INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT: PH, DO	Øy □n □na □ne
4. QUALITY CONTROL PROCEDURES ADEQUATE:	Øy □n □na □ne
5. DUPLICATE SAMPLES ARE ANALYZED ≥10% OF THE TIME:	☑Y □N □NA □NE
6. SPIKED SAMPLES ARE ANALYZED ≥10% OF THE TIME:	☑Y □N □NA □NE
7. COMMERCIAL LABORATORY USED:	☑Y □N □NA □NE
a. LAB NAME: Data Testing, Inc./ Cove Environmental LLC- Biomonitoring	
b. LAB ADDRESS: 3434 Country Club Avenue, Fort Smith, AR 72903/3400 W. Lakeview Road, Stillwater, OK 74075	
c. PARAMETERS PERFORMED: CBOD, BOD, TSS, NH3-N, FCB, TP, NO3+NO2-N	
8. BIOMONITORING PROCEDURES ADEQUATE:	ØY □N □NA □NE
a. PROPER ORGANISMS USED:	ØY □N □NA □NE
b. PROPER DILUTION SERIES FOLLOWED:	ØY □N □NA □NE
c. PROPER TEST METHODS AND DURATION:	Øy □n □na □ne
d. RETESTS AND/OR TRE PERFORMED AS REQUIRED:	□Y □N ØNA □NE

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DETAILS:	Viewed visual s	sample at samp	le collection po	oint (post-UV).			
OUTFALL #:	OIL SHEEN	GREASE	TURBIDITY	VISIBLE FOAM	FLOATING SOLIDS	COLOR	OTHER
001	none	none	none	none	none	clear	
SECTION H	I: SLUDGE DIS	POSAL					
SLUDGE [DISPOSAL MEI	ETS PERMIT F	REQUIREMENT	ΓS		⊠s □m □	IU □NA □NE
DETAILS:	Sludge stored	in lagoons with	no visual exce	ssive accumula	ition.		
1. SLUDGE M	IANAGEMENT ADEQU	ATE TO MAINTAIN EF	FLUENT QUALITY:			⊠s □m	□U □NA □NE
2. SLUDGE R	ECORDS MAINTAINE	AS REQUIRED BY 40	O CFR 503:			□s □м	□u ☑na □ne
3. FOR LAND	APPLIED SLUDGE, T	PE OF LAND APPLIE	D TO: (E.G., FOREST,	AGRICULTURAL, PUE	BLIC CONTACT SITE):		
SECTION I:	SAMPLING IN	SPECTION PRO	CEDURES				
SAMPLE F	RESULTS WITH	IIN PERMIT R	EQUIREMENT	S			IU ⊠NA □NE
DETAILS:							
1. SAMPLES	OBTAINED THIS INSP	ECTION:				□Y	□n ☑na □ne
2. TYPE OF S	SAMPLE: GRAB:	□COMPOSITE: N	METHOD: FREQUE	NCY:			
3. SAMPLES	PRESERVED:					□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
4. FLOW PRO	PORTIONED SAMPLE	S OBTAINED:				□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
5. SAMPLE O	BTAINED FROM FACI	LITY'S SAMPLING DEV	/ICE:			□Y	□n ☑na □ne
6. SAMPLE R	EPRESENTATIVE OF	VOLUME AND NATUR	E OF DISCHARGE:			□Y	□n ☑na □ne
7. SAMPLE S	PLIT WITH PERMITTE	E:				□Y	□n ☑na □ne
8. CHAIN-OF-	CUSTODY PROCEDU	RES EMPLOYED:				□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
9. SAMPLES	COLLECTED IN ACCO	RDANCE WITH PERM	IT:			□Y	□n ☑na □ne
SECTION J	: STORM WAT	ER POLLUTION	PREVENTION	PLAN			
STORM W	ATER MANAG	EMENT MEET	S PERMIT RE	QUIREMENTS	3	⊠s □m □	IU □NA □NE
DETAILS:	IGP inspection	conducted with	n separate insp	<u>ection report. F</u>	acility is meeting	no exposure e	xclusion.
1. SWPPP UF	PDATED AS NEEDED:	_ DATE OF LAST UP	DATE:			□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
2. SITE MAP	INCLUDING ALL DISC	HARGES AND SURFAC	CE WATERS:			□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
3. POLLUTIO	N PREVENTION TEAM	IDENTIFIED:				□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
4. POLLUTIO	N PREVENTION TEAM	PROPERLY TRAINED):			□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
5. LIST OF PO	OTENTIAL POLLUTAN	Γ SOURCES:				□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
6. LIST OF PO	OTENTIAL SOURCES A	AND PAST SPILLS AND	D LEAKS:			□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
7. ALL NON-S	STORM WATER DISCH	ARGES ARE AUTHOR	IZED:			✓Y	□N □NA □NE
8. LIST OF ST	TRUCTURAL BMPS:					□Y	□n ☑na □ne
9. LIST OF NO	ON-STRUCTURAL BMF	PS:				□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
10. BMPS PRO	PERLY OPERATED A	ND MAINTAINED:				□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
11. INSPECTION	ONS CONDUCTED AS	REQUIRED:				□Y	□N ☑NA □NE
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DMR Calculation Check

Reporting Period:	From	2021	02	01	_ To	2021	02	28
		Year	Month	Day		Year	Month	Day
Parameter Checked:		TSS	_					
	Loading			Concentration				
		Mass				Mon	thly	
	Mo.	Avg Ibs/	day	Mo. A	vg r	mg/l	7-day Avg	g mg/l
Reported Value:		151.0			6.0		8.0)
Calculated Value:		150.7948			6.0		8.0)

30.0

If calculated value does not equal reported value, explain:

1000.8

Permit Value:

45.0

DMR Calculation Check

Reporting Period:	From	2021	02	01	_ To	2021	02	28	
		Year	Month	Day		Year	Month	Day	
Parameter Checked:		BOD5	_						
		Loading Mass					entration onthly		
	Mo.	Avg Ibs/	/day	Mo. A	vg ı		7-day Avg	g mg/l	
Reported Value:		280.0			15.0		11.	0	
Calculated Value:		280.0906			14.6		11.	0	
Permit Value:		1000.8			30		45		

If calculated value does not equal reported value, explain:

City of Van Buren South Plant Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 Time: 1026 Witness: None- no other regulatory personnel Description: Influent bar screen



Photographer:Travis HarmonDate:4/8/2021Time:1026Witness:NonePhoto #:2



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	Office of Water Quality Photographic Evidence Sheet										
Location:	Location: City of Van Buren South Plant										
Photograp	Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 Time: 102										
Witness:	None		•		Photo #	: 3					

Description: Second back-up bar screen at headworks.



Photographer: Travis Harmon	Date:	4/8/2021	I ime:	1031
Witness: None			Photo #:	4

Description: Plant blowers.



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City of Van Buren South Plant Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 Time: 1032 Witness: None Photographer: 5

Description: Aeration basin.



Photographer: Travis Harmon	Date: 4/8/2021	Time:	1032
Witness: None		Photo #:	6

Description: Additional view of aeration basin with view of EQ Basin to right. Basin has three sections divided for aeration, EQ, and sludge.



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	Office of Water Quality Photographic Evidence Sheet									
Loc	ation:	City	of Van Buren South Plant							
Pho	otograpl	her:	Travis Harmon	Date:	4/8/2021	Time:	1035			
Witr	ness: I	None				Photo #:	7			

Description: Aerators in EQ basin are for odor control.



Photographer:	Travis Harmon	Date:	4/8/2021	Time:	1036
Witness: None	9			Photo #:	8

Description: View of sludge basin with aerators for odor control.



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Office of Water Quality Photographic Evidence Sheet										
Location:	City	of Van Buren South Plant								
Photograp	her:	Travis Harmon	Date:	4/8/2021	Time:	1043				
Witness:	None				Photo #:	9				



Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 Time: 1044
Witness: None Photo #: 10



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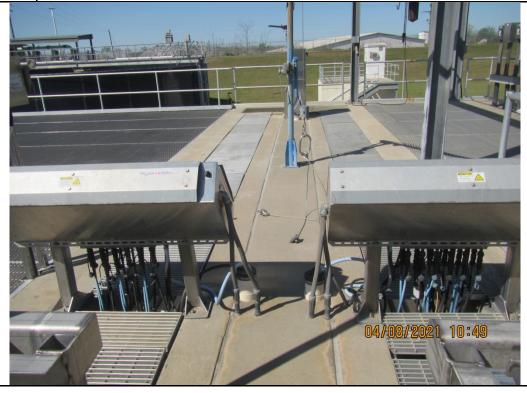
City of Van Buren South Plant Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 Time: 1046 Witness: None Photographer: Photographer: The Photographer Date: 4/8/2021 Time: 1146

Description: Second of two clarifiers with view of clarifier effluent.



Photographer: Travis Harmon	Date:	4/8/2021	Time:	1049
Witness: None	Photo #:	12		

Description: **Two UV disinfection lines.**



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Office of Water Quality Photographic Evidence Sheet Location: City of Van Buren South Plant Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 Time: 1050 Witness: None Photo #: 13 Description: View of UV lights.



Photographer: Travis Harmon	Date: 4/8/2021	Time:	1053
Witness: None	Photo #:	14	



Office of Water Quality Photographic Evidence Sheet Location: City of Van Buren South Plant Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 1054 Time: Witness: None Photo #: 15 Mr. Myers collected a sample for me for visual observation. Final effluent appears Description:

sufficiently treated.



Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 1054 Time: Witness: None Photo #: 16

Description: Composite sampler.

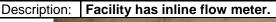


Office of Water Quality Photographic Evidence Sheet Location: City of Van Buren South Plant Photographer: Travis Harmon Date: 4/8/2021 Time: 1054 Witness: None Photo #: 17

Description: Composite sample cooler at about 3.1 C. No sample collection at time.

O4/08/2021 10:54

Photographer:Travis HarmonDate:4/8/2021Time:1055Witness:NonePhoto #:18





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Figure 1. Google Earth image of facility.

