

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT
Permit Number: AR0021466C

TO:

City of Alma
811 Fayetteville Ave, Suite A
Alma, AR 72921

Consulting Engineer:

Mr. Neal T. Morrison, P. E.
Morrison-Shipley Engineers, Inc.
P. O. Box 10072
Fort Smith, AR 72917

This permit is your authority to modify the wastewater treatment system in accordance with the permit application and plans and specifications (P&S) which were received on 01/09/2006. This permit is issued subject to the provisions of the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act (Act 472 of 1949, as amended, Ark. Stats., § 8-4-101 et seq.), and the following terms and conditions:

1. This permit shall automatically terminate unless construction of this project has been commenced within one year from the effective date and completed with all reasonable diligence. The permittee shall **notify** the Department when construction **begins**. The treatment/disposal system shall be constructed or modified in accordance with the final plans and specifications as approved by the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality. In case any statement or representation in the aforementioned documents is found to be incorrect, this Approval may be revoked.
2. Within **thirty (30)** days of completion of construction, the Professional Engineer (PE) registered in Arkansas shall submit written certification to the Department (Enforcement Section of Water Division) that the facility has been constructed or modified in accordance with the approved plans and specifications.
3. This permit is issued in reliance upon the statements and representations made in the application and the plans and specifications and the Department has no responsibility for adequacy or proper functioning of the disposal system. Approval of the plans and specifications by the Department does not constitute assurance that the disposal system will achieve the effluent limitations required by the final NPDES permit, or that the NPDES discharge permit will be issued.
4. This facility is located as follows: Latitude: 35° 27' 40" Longitude: 94° 10' 48" ; Approximately 2 miles south of Hwy 64 on Orrick Road (CR 52) in Section 15, Township 9 North, Range 30 West in Crawford County, Arkansas.
5. The receiving waters named: Arkansas River in Segment 3H of the Arkansas River Basin. The outfall is located at the following coordinates: Outfall 001: Latitude: 35° 27' 42"; Longitude: 94° 11' 05"
6. Proposed Construction will include: replacing existing 19 mechanical surface aerators with 190 fine bubble diffused air aeration equipment and elimination of the overland flow fields. The proposed treatment system will include: bar screen, Parshall flume, influent lift station, complete mix followed by partial mix aerated lagoons, facultative lagoons, cold weather and emergency storage lagoon, rectangular weir, and chlorination unit with a design flow of 1.6 MGD. The existing treatment system is: bar screen, Parshall flume, influent lift station, partial mix aerated lagoons, facultative lagoons, cold weather and emergency storage lagoon, overland flow fields with fixed spray irrigation, rectangular weir, and chlorination unit with a design flow of 1.73 MGD.

This permit shall become effective on

Signed this day of

Martin Maner, P.E.
Chief, Water Division

STATEMENT OF BASIS

for issuance of a draft Construction Permit Number AR0021466C.

The issuing office is:

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
8001 National Drive
Post Office Box 8913
Little Rock, Arkansas 72219

The applicant is:

City of Alma
811 Fayetteville Ave, Suite A
Alma, AR 72921

1. CONSTRUCTION PERMITTING AUTHORITY

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2. DISCLAIMER

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3. CONSTRUCTION PROPOSED IN APPLICATION

The following is a general description of the construction to be permitted, as described in the construction permit application. Proposed Construction will include: replacing existing 19 mechanical surface aerators with 190 fine bubble diffused air aeration equipment and elimination of the overland flow fields. The proposed treatment system will include: bar screen, Parshall flume, influent lift station, complete mix followed by partial mix aerated lagoons, facultative lagoons, cold weather and emergency storage lagoon, rectangular weir, and chlorination unit with a design flow of 1.6 MGD. The existing treatment system is: bar screen, Parshall flume, influent lift station, partial mix aerated lagoons, facultative lagoons, cold weather and emergency storage lagoon, overland flow fields with fixed spray irrigation, rectangular weir, and chlorination unit with a design flow of 1.75 MGD.

4. RECEIVING STREAM SEGMENT AND DISCHARGE LOCATION.

The receiving waters named: Arkansas River in Segment 3H of the Arkansas River Basin. The outfall is located at the following coordinates: Outfall 001: Latitude: 35° 27' 42"; Longitude: 94° 11'05"

5. PUBLIC NOTICE

The public notice describes the procedures for the formulation of final determinations and shall provide for a public comment period of 30 days. During this period, any interested persons may submit written comments on the draft permit and may request a public hearing to clarify issues involved in the permit decision. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issue(s) proposed to be raised in the hearing.

6. CONTACT PERSON

For additional information, contact:

Marysia Jastrzebski, P.E.
Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
8001 National Drive
Post Office Box 8913
Little Rock, Arkansas 72219-8913
Telephone: (501) 682-0622



ARKANSAS
Department of Environmental Quality

May 11, 2006

CERTIFIED MAIL: RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED ()

Mr. Mark Yardley, Director of Public Works
City of Alma
811 Fayetteville Ave, Suite A
Alma, AR 72921

Re: Construction Permit Number AR0021466C

Dear Mr. Yardley:

Enclosed is the public notice, Statement of Basis, and a copy of the draft construction permit that the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality has prepared, as required by Act 163 of 1993.

All draft construction permits prepared by this Department must complete a 30 day public notice period. The enclosed public notice will be published by ADEQ in a newspaper of general circulation. Act 163 of 1993 requires the permit applicant to bear the expense of the notice's publication. Therefore, an invoice for the cost of publishing the public notice and proof of publication will be sent to you by the advertising newspaper. The permittee must send proof of publication and payment to:

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
NPDES-Water Division
P.O. Box 8913
Little Rock, AR 72219-8913
501-682-0620 Fax: 501-682-0910

Until this Department receives proof of publication of the public notice, no further action will be taken on the issuance of your construction permit.

Comments must be received at ADEQ prior to the close of the public comment period as shown in the enclosed public notice. Under the provisions of Act 163, all persons, including applicants, who believe any condition of a draft permit is inappropriate must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments supporting their position by the close of the public comment period.

Should you have any questions concerning any part of the permit, please contact the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, NPDES Branch, at (501) 682-0622.

Sincerely,

Martin Maner, P.E.
Chief, Water Division

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Enclosure

**DRAFT CONSTRUCTION PERMIT DECISION
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT NUMBER AR0021466C**

This is to give notice that the Water Division of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has developed a draft construction permit AR0021466C for the construction and/or modification of the wastewater treatment plant for the following facility:

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811 Fayetteville Ave, Suite A
Alma, AR 72921

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The permit application and the administrative record are available for review and copying in the Central Records Section, ADEQ, State Police Headquarters, One State Police Plaza, near Interstate 30 and Geyer Springs, Little Rock, Arkansas.

The ADEQ contact person for submitting written comments, requesting information, or obtaining copies of the application, permit and the Fact Sheet is:

Marysia Jastrzebski, P.E.
NPDES Branch, Water Division
Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
Post Office Box 8913
Little Rock, Arkansas 72219-8913
(501) 682-0622

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