

EPA in Missouri

Gasconade County, Missouri - Clean Water Act Public Notice

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

In accordance with Section 309(g)(4)(A) of the Clean Water Act ("CWA"), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(4)(A), and 40 C.F.R. § 22.45 of the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, Issuance of Compliance or Corrective Action Orders, and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Permits ("Consolidated Rules"), the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is providing notice of a proposed Administrative Penalty Assessment against Gasconade County, Missouri ("Respondent") for alleged violations of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

Under Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), the EPA is authorized to issue orders assessing civil penalties for various violations of the Clean Water Act. The EPA may issue such orders after filing a Complaint commencing either a Class I or Class II penalty proceeding. The EPA provides notice of the proposed assessment of a Class II civil penalty pursuant to 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(4)(A). Class II proceedings are conducted under EPA's Consolidated Rules, 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

In this case, the EPA alleges that Respondent discharged fill material into a water of the United States in Gasconade County, Missouri without obtaining a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Specifically, EPA alleges that Respondent impacted approximately 2,376 linear feet of sections of Third Creek and Crider Creek by placing fill material into the tributaries for purposes of mining gravel. Respondents have reached agreement with EPA on the terms of a proposed Consent Agreement/Final Order which would resolve this matter. Under the proposed Consent Agreement/Final Order, Respondents will pay a civil penalty of \$3,000. Final approval of the proposed Consent Agreement/Final Order is subject to the requirements of 40 C.F.R. § 22.45.

The EPA will receive written comments on the proposed Administrative Penalty Assessment for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. The procedures by which the public may submit written comments on a proposed Class II order or participate in a Class II proceeding, and the procedures by which a respondent may request a hearing, are set forth in the Consolidated Rules. Persons wishing to receive a copy of EPA's Consolidated Rules, review the proposed Consent Agreement/Final Order, comment upon the proposed penalty assessment, or otherwise participate in the proceeding should contact the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7, 11201 Renner Blvd, Lenexa, KS 66219. Please reference Docket No. CWA-07-2016-0011. In order to provide opportunity for public comment, EPA will issue no final order assessing a penalty in this proceeding prior to forty (40) days from the date of this notice.

5-12-16 /s/ Date Karen A. Flournoy Division Director Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division U.S. EPA, Region 7

How to Comment Comments due date 06/16/2016 How to comment Persons wishing to obtain additional information on the proceeding, receive a copy of EPA's Consolidated Rules, review the prorposed Consent Agreement/Final Order, comment upon the proposed penalty assessment, or

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otherwise participate in the proceeding should contact Kathy Robinson, Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7, 11201 Renner Boulevard, Lenexa, Kansas, 66219. Please reference Docket No. CWA-07-2016-0011.

Summary

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Program/Statute: Clean Water Act (CWA)

Applicant/Respondent(s):

Gasconade County, Missouri Gasconade County Missouri

Proposed action: Public Notice of Clean Water Act Adminstrative Penalty Settlement

Docket ID: CWA-07-2016-0011

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• Gasconade County, Missouri proposed Consent Agreement Final Order (PDF) (9 pp, 670 K) The Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is providing notice of a proposed Administrative Penalty Assessment against Gasconade County, Missouri ("Respondent") for alleged violations of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

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