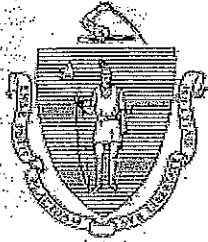


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December 2, 2002

Ms. Julie Enroth-Whitlock
Town Administrator
Town Hall
Marion, Massachusetts 02738

RE: MARION-Approval of Comprehensive
Wastewater Management Plan

Dear Ms. Enroth-Whitlock:

The Department of Environmental Protection (the Department), in response to a request made in your behalf by Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc., has reviewed the Draft Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan and Supplemental Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan documents for the Town of Marion. The Town has indicated that these two documents together comprise the final CWMP. These reports, prepared by Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc, are titled as follows:

“TOWN OF MARION
WASTEWATER FACILITIES PLAN
MAY 2001
CAMP DRESSER & McKEE”

And

“TOWN OF MARION
SUPPLEMENTAL COMPREHENSIVE WASTEWATER
MANAGEMENT PLAN (CWMP)
APRIL 30,2002
CAMP DRESSER & McKEE”

The following is a summary of the recommended plan:

- Construction of a wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) with an average daily design flow of 0.588 million gallons per day (mgd).
- The proposed treatment facility will utilize Sequencing Batch Reactor technology with grit and screenings removal, post equalization, utilization of the existing disc filters and UV disinfection system; aeration system for the lagoons and upgrading existing outfall to effluent brook to Aucoot Cove.

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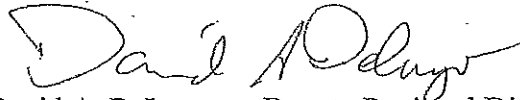
- Expansion of the sewer system to three additional needs areas: Berry Roads area, South Converse Road area and Dexter Beach area. The pressure sewer option for each of these needs areas were found to be most cost effective and the recommended alternative.
- Existing collection system improvements, including upgrading pump stations, telemetry, interceptors and an identified I/I remediation program.

The Department finds that the aforementioned CWMP satisfies the planning requirements of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program for Water Pollution Abatement Projects set forth in 310 CMR 44.08; and hereby approves the documents on that basis. This approval applies solely to the Town of Marion's compliance with the SRF Regulations for the Wastewater Facilities Plan.

Please note that this approval does not represent a commitment by the Department or the Water Pollution Abatement Trust to award financial assistance; nor does it constitute a determination of the project's eligible costs. This approval will allow the Town to continue with permitting activities for the recommended plan and satisfy one of the requirements to apply for the SRF financial assistance.

If you have any questions, or if we may be of further assistance, please contact David R. Burns of this office at (508) 946-2738.

Sincerely,



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