

General information

Public comment period begins: October 1, 2020
Public comment period ends: November 30, 2020 (4:30 p.m.)
Current permit issued: November 21, 2014
Current permit expiration date: October 31, 2019

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to reissue this permit for a term of approximately ten years.

Name and address of Permittee:	Facility name and location:	MPCA contact person:
City of Ihlen 110 Holman St W Ihlen, MN 56164-4601	Ihlen WWTP County Road 2 Ihlen, MN 56140 Pipestone County T105N, R46W, Section 10	Ashley Wahl Municipal Division Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 504 Fairgrounds Road, Suite 200 Marshall, MN 56258 Phone: 507-476-4264 Email: ashley.wahl@state.mn.us
		File manager phone: 651-757-2728 or 1-844-828-0942

A draft permit is available for review on the MPCA Public Notices webpage at <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publicnotices>. Additional materials relating to the issuance of this permit are available for inspection by appointment at any MPCA office (<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mpca/mpca-offices>) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The MPCA will mail or email a copy of the draft permit upon request. Comments, petitions, and other requests must be received at the MPCA in writing on or before the public comment period end date and time identified above.

Watershed: Blue Earth River

Receiving water: None

Description of Permitted Facility

The application and plans indicate that the existing Facility consists of 4,500 feet of eight-inch sewer, 3,000 feet of six-inch forcemain, two mound cluster areas, each with six mounds, and four septic tanks, and five groundwater monitoring points.

The Facility was designed to treat an average wet weather flow of 14,400 gallons per day (gpd) with a five-day carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand strength of 250 milligrams per liter. Each mound cluster area can treat a maximum flow of 7,200 gpd.

This is a Class D facility.

The Facility is further described in plans and specifications on file with the MPCA by Dennis J. Johnson & Associates, Inc., of Windom, Minnesota.

The preliminary determination to reissue this Wastewater permit is tentative.

Procedure for public participation

As stated in Minn. R. chs. 7000 and 7001, there are three formal procedures for public participation in the MPCA's consideration of this matter. Interested persons may:

- (1) Submit written comments on the draft permit.
- (2) Petition the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting.
- (3) Petition the MPCA to hold a contested case hearing.

Submitting written comments

To submit comments or petitions to the MPCA through the mail or email, you must state:

- (1) Your interest in the permit application or the draft permit.
- (2) The action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to the section of the draft permit you believe should be changed.
- (3) The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA to investigate the merits of the position.

Public informational meeting

A public informational meeting is an informal meeting during which interested persons can ask questions concerning the proposed facility. MPCA staff will be present to provide information. If an interested person would like the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting, the person should include all information identified above and in addition include a statement of the reasons the person desires the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting and the issues that the person would like the agency to address at the public informational meeting.

Contested Case Hearing

A contested case hearing is a formal proceeding before an administrative law judge empowered to advise the MPCA regarding issues of fact. As described in Minn. R. 7000.1800, persons who submit petitions for a contested case hearing must also state the issues they propose to address in a contested case hearing, the specific relief requested or resolution of the matter, and the reasons (which may be in the form of proposed findings) supporting an MPCA decision to hold a contested case hearing. Failure to comply with these rules exactly may result in a denial of the request. To the extent known, the petitioner may also submit a list of prospective witnesses to be called at a hearing, a proposed list of publications, references, or studies to be introduced at a hearing and the approximate time required for the petitioner to present the matter at a hearing. The decision whether to hold a contested case hearing will be made under Minn. R. 7000.1900.