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HANOVER PARK WATER RECLAMATION PLANT

FISCHER FARM MONITORING REPORT FOR

FIRST QUARTER 2020

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Dear Mr. Callaway:

Subject: Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant - Illinois Environmental Protection

Agency Permit No. 2016-SC-61315, Monitoring Report for January,

February, and March 2020

The attached tables contain the monitoring data for the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) Fischer Farm site for January, February, and March 2020, as required by Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Operating Permit No. 2016-SC-61315.

Analytical data for well water samples collected during the quarter are presented in <u>Table 1</u>. Drainage water (combined surface and subsurface) returned to the Hanover Park WRP from the farm fields was sampled in January, February, and March 2020, and data for these samples are presented in <u>Table 2</u>. The volumes of drainage water returned to the WRP during the first quarter were estimated at 13.0, 19.0, and 17.7 million gallons in January, February, and March, respectively. The analytical data for lagoon supernatant applied to Fischer Farm fields in February and March are presented in <u>Table 3</u>. The volume of lagoon supernatant, and the associated dry weight of biosolids applied, are shown in <u>Table 4</u>. Field and water monitoring locations are presented in <u>Figure 1</u>.

Electrical conductivity (EC) measurements for water from monitoring wells in the third and fourth quarter reports for 2019 were presented using incorrect units. <u>Table 5</u> shows corrected EC values for water from the Fischer Farm monitoring wells sampled in the third quarter of 2019, and <u>Table 6</u> shows corrected EC values for water from the Fischer Farm monitoring wells sampled in the fourth quarter of 2019.

Based on the investigation of the high levels of ammonia-nitrogen (NH<sub>3</sub>-N) in Well 7, it appears that the source of these high levels is seepage from adjacent lagoons and subsurface drainage associated with the site, both of which have high NH<sub>3</sub>-N levels. Management practices are being implemented to reduce the loading in adjacent lagoons and application of supernatant in fields to confirm that these are the sources of high NH<sub>3</sub>-N in Well 7.

The data reported are as follows:

- Subject: Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Permit No. 2016-SC-61315, Monitoring Report for January, February, and March 2020
- <u>Table 1</u> Analysis of Water From Monitoring Wells W-3, W-5, W-6, W-7, and W-8 at the Hanover Park Fischer Farm Site Sampled on March 10, 2019.
- <u>Table 2</u> Analysis of Combined Surface and Subsurface Drainage From the Fischer Farm Site Returned to the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant During January, February, and March 2020.
- <u>Table 3</u> Analysis of Lagoon Supernatant Applied to Fields at the Hanover Park Fischer Farm Site During February and March 2020.
- <u>Table 4</u> Volumes and Dry Weights of Lagoon Supernatant Applied to Fields During February and March at the Hanover Park Fischer Farm Site.
- <u>Figure 1</u> Map of Fields and Wells at the Hanover Park Fischer Farm Site of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago.
- <u>Table 5</u> Corrected Electrical Conductivity Measurements for Water From Monitoring Wells W-3, W-5, W-6, W-7, and W-8 at the Hanover Park Fischer Farm Site Sampled on September 10, 2019, for 2019 third quarter report.
- <u>Table 6</u> Corrected Electrical Conductivity Measurements for Water From Monitoring Wells W-3, W-5, W-6, W-7, and W-8 at the Hanover Park Fischer Farm Site Sampled in October and November 2019 for 2019 fourth quarter report.

Very truly yours,

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TABLE 1: ANALYSIS OF WATER FROM MONITORING WELLS W-3, W-5, W-6, W-7, AND W-8 AT THE HANOVER PARK FISCHER FARM SITE SAMPLED ON MARCH 10, 2020

			Monitoring Well No.				
Parameter	Unit	W-3	W-5	W-6	W-7	W-8	
TTl		7.0	7.7	7.7	7.6	9.0	
pH <sup>1</sup>	mS m <sup>-1</sup>	7.8			7.6	8.0	
EC	mg L <sup>-1</sup>	82	75 18	78 22	97 194	63	
Cl <sup>-</sup> SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	mg L	11	18	22	184	10	
•	**	119	101	120	63	70 272	
Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	**	351	309	297	118	273	
TKN	**	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	5.1	<1.0	
NH <sub>3</sub> -N	**	< 0.30	0.34	0.36	2.38	0.41	
$NO_2$ - $+NO_3$ - $N$	"	< 0.25	< 0.25	< 0.25	4.39	< 0.25	
Total P	"	< 0.15	< 0.15	< 0.15	0.88	< 0.15	
Cd	"	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.001	< 0.001	
Cr		< 0.002	< 0.002	< 0.002	0.007	< 0.002	
Cu	"	0.001	< 0.001	0.014	0.016	< 0.001	
Fe	"	0.53	0.56	3.48	12.2	0.76	
Mn	"	0.017	0.018	0.037	0.094	0.018	
Ni	"	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.010	< 0.001	
Zn	"	0.024	0.005	0.008	0.591	< 0.005	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>pH was measured beyond 15 minutes holding time.

TABLE 2: ANALYSIS OF COMBINED SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE DRAINAGE FROM THE FISCHER FARM SITE RETURNED TO THE HANOVER PARK WATER RECLAMATION PLANT DURING JANUARY, FEBRUARY, AND MARCH 2020

Date <sup>1</sup>	Sump	NH <sub>3</sub> -N	$TSS^1$	BOD <sub>5</sub>
			mg L <sup>-1</sup>	
01/14/2020	East	113	11	9
01/14/2020	West	< 0.30	4	<2
01/29/2020	East	3.9	4	<2
01/29/2020	West	< 0.30	3	<2
02/25/2020	East	9.1	5	6
02/25/2020	West	24	9	13
03/10/2020	East	7.0	12	12
03/10/2020	West	29	16	19
03/24/2020	East	5.6	4	3
03/24/2020	West	4.1	3	<2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Total suspended solids.

TABLE 3: ANALYSIS OF LAGOON SUPERNATANT APPLIED TO FIELDS AT THE HANOVER PARK FISCHER FARM SITE DURING FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2020

Constituent	Unit	February	March
TTl		7.7	7.8
$pH^1$	0./		
Total Solids	%	0.14	0.15
Total Volatile Solids	"	56.5	62.3
Volatile Acids	${ m mg~L}^{ m -1}$	<5	<5
TKN	**	538	637
NH <sub>3</sub> -N	"	451	545
Total P	"	63	64
Cd	"	< 0.001	< 0.001
Cr	"	0.005	0.005
Cu	"	0.178	0.230
Mn	"	0.601	0.305
Ni	"	0.021	0.021
Pb	"	0.005	0.007
Zn	**	0.303	0.367

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>pH was measured beyond 15 minutes holding time.

TABLE 4: VOLUMES AND DRY WEIGHTS OF LAGOON SUPERNATANT APPLIED TO FIELDS DURING FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2020 AT THE HANOVER PARK FISCHER FARM SITE

Field	Date	Biosolids Type	Volume (Gallons)	Dry Weight (Tons)
_	0.0 /4.0 /0.00		127.000	0.60
5	02/10/2020	Supernatant	135,000	0.68
6	02/10/2020	Supernatant	135,000	0.68
1	02/11/2020	Supernatant	145,000	0.73
4	02/11/2020	Supernatant	145,000	0.73
1	02/20/2020	Supernatant	125,000	0.78
4	02/20/2020	Supernatant	125,000	0.78
5	03/04/2020	Supernatant	135,000	0.73
6	03/04/2020	Supernatant	135,000	0.73
1	03/05/2020	Supernatant	90,000	0.60
4	03/05/2020	Supernatant	90,000	0.60
5	03/05/2020	Supernatant	90,000	0.60
6	03/05/2020	Supernatant	90,000	0.60
1	03/06/2020	Supernatant	92,500	0.62
4	03/06/2020	Supernatant	92,500	0.62
5	03/06/2020	Supernatant	92,500	0.62
6	03/06/2020	Supernatant	92,500	0.62
1	03/25/2020	Supernatant	105,000	0.70
4	03/25/2020	Supernatant	105,000	0.70
Total		•	2,020,000	$12.1^{1}$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Difference between sum of dry weights and reported total is due to rounding.

## FIGURE 1 MAP OF FIELDS AND WELLS AT THE HANOVER PARK FISCHER FARM SITE OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

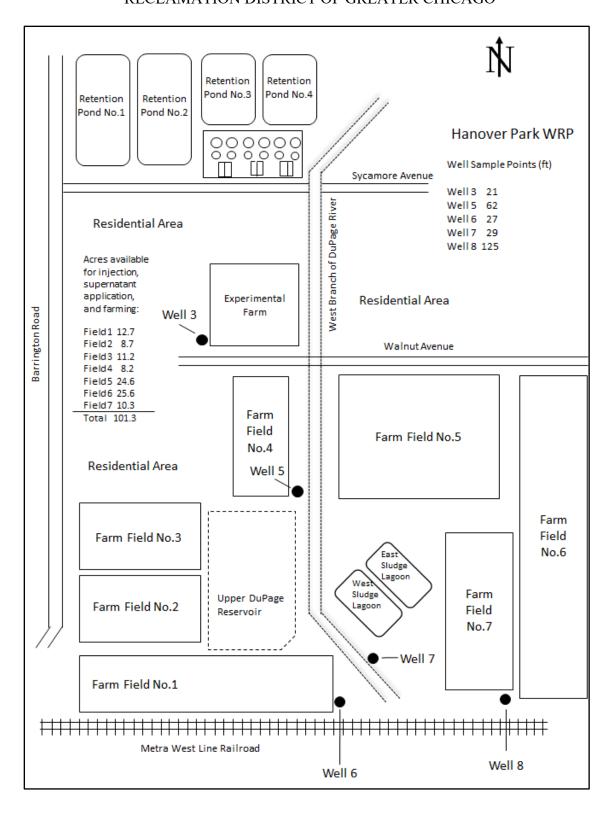


TABLE 5: CORRECTED ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY MEASUREMENTS FOR WATER FROM MONITORING WELLS W-3, W-5, W-6, W-7, AND W-8 AT THE HANOVER PARK FISCHER FARM SITE SAMPLED ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 FOR THE 2019 THIRD QUARTER REPORT

		Monitoring Well No.				
Parameter	Unit	W-3 <sup>1</sup>	W-5	W-6	W-7	W-8
EC	mS m <sup>-1</sup>	NC	81	82	145	64

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Samples could not be collected at Well 3 during September 2019 sampling because the well was dry.

TABLE 6: CORRECTED ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY MEASUREMENTS FOR WATER FROM MONITORING WELLS W-3, W-5, W-6, W-7, AND W-8 AT THE HANOVER PARK FISCHER FARM SITE SAMPLED IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 2019<sup>1</sup> FOR THE 2019 FOURTH QUARTER REPORT

		Monitoring Well No.				
Parameter	Unit	W-3	W-5	W-6	W-7	W-8
EC	mS m <sup>-1</sup>	103	76	78	138	65

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Mean of two samples collected October 22 and November 26, 2019.