Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 60849 Cypress Cove, LLC RN109924621 Docket No. 2021-0723-WQ-E

Order Type: Findings Agreed Order Findings Order Justification: Three or more enforcement actions (NOVs, orders, etc.) over the prior five year period for the same violation(s). Media: WQ **Small Business:** Yes Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred: Cypress Land & Homes CR 431 Subdivision, located on County Road 431 near Tyler, Smith County **Type of Operation:** Construction site **Other Significant Matters:** Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No Past-Due Penalties: No Other: N/A Interested Third-Parties: The complainant has expressed an interest in this matter but does not wish to speak at Agenda. Texas Register Publication Date: December 17, 2021 Comments Received: No **Penalty Information Total Penalty Assessed:** \$2,438

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$2,438 Total Due to General Revenue: \$2,438 Total Due to General Revenue: \$0 Payment Plan: N/A Compliance History Classifications: Person/CN - Unclassified Site/RN - Unclassified Major Source: No Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A Applicable Penalty Policy: April 2014

Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): March 4, 2021 and March 26, 2021

Complaint Information: Alleged a construction site was discharging sediment onto adjacent properties and a privately owned pond. A second complainant contacted the Regional Office on March 26, 2021 regarding large stormwater volumes discharging from the site onto adjacent properties.

Date(s) of Investigation: September 15 through September 28, 2020

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Date(s) of NOE(s): May 28, 2021

Violation Information

1. Failed to install and maintain best management practices ("BMPs") at the Site which resulted in an unauthorized discharge of pollutants [TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a) and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. TXR15277M, Part III, Section G.1].

2. Failed to maintain a complete Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan ("SWP3") [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.125(1), TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a), and TPDES Permit No. TXR15277M, Part III, Section F].

3. Failed to post and maintain the TCEQ site notice near the main entrance of the construction site [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.125(1) and TPDES Permit No. TXR15277M, Part III, Section D.2].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

The Respondent posted a TCEQ site notice near the main entrance of the Site by March 26, 2021.

Technical Requirements:

The Order will require the Respondent to:

a. Within 30 days:

i. Install and maintain BMPs to prevent the unauthorized discharge of sediment in accordance with the requirements of TPDES General Permit No. TXR15277M;

ii. Begin maintaining a complete SWP3; and

iii. Remove and dispose of accumulated sediment from the Site's eastern and northern boundaries, off-site pond, and adjacent properties.

b. Within 45 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with a.

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Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A
TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Alyssa Loveday, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 1, MC 219, (512) 239-5504; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548
Respondent: Nathan Bass, Member, Cypress Cove, LLC, 18200 County Road 4108, Lindale, Texas 75771-6106
Respondent's Attorney: N/A

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	NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (<i>number of NOVs meeting criteria</i>)	0	0%	
		Other written NOVs	0	0%	
		Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (<i>number of orders meeting criteria</i>)	0	0%	
	Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0	0%	
	Judgments and Consent	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (<i>number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria</i>)	0	0%	
	Decrees	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government	0	0%	
	Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (<i>number of counts</i>)	0	0%	
	Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (<i>number of events</i>)	0	0%	
	Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)	0	0%	
	Addits	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (<i>number of audits for which violations were disclosed</i>)	0	0%	
		Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%	
	Others	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%	
	Other	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%	
		Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%	
		Adjustment Per	centage (Sul	btotal 2)	0%
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> Fina	al Compliance	History Adjustment			0.01
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Screening Date 3-Jun-2021

Case ID No. 60849

Enf. Coordinator Alyssa Loveday

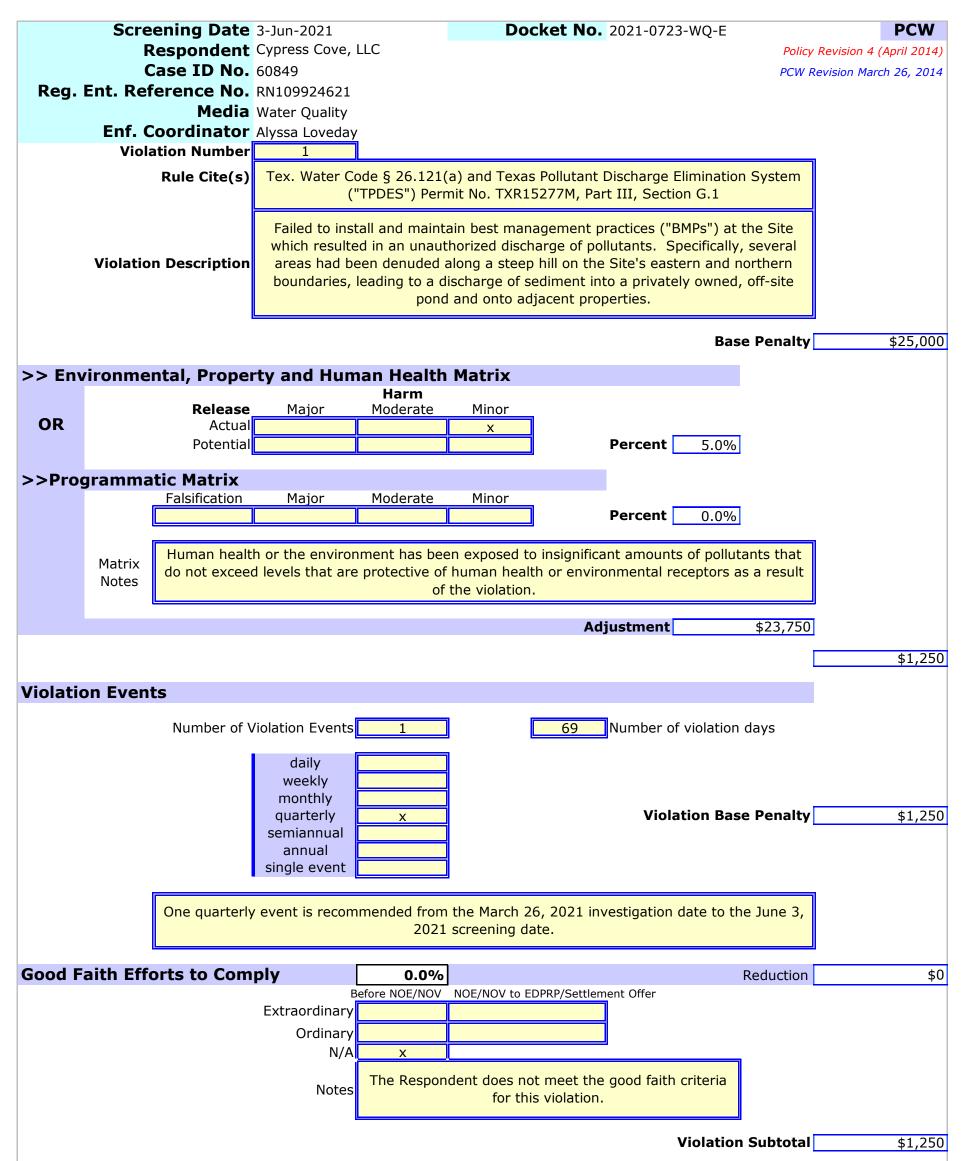
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Respondent Cypress Cove, LLC

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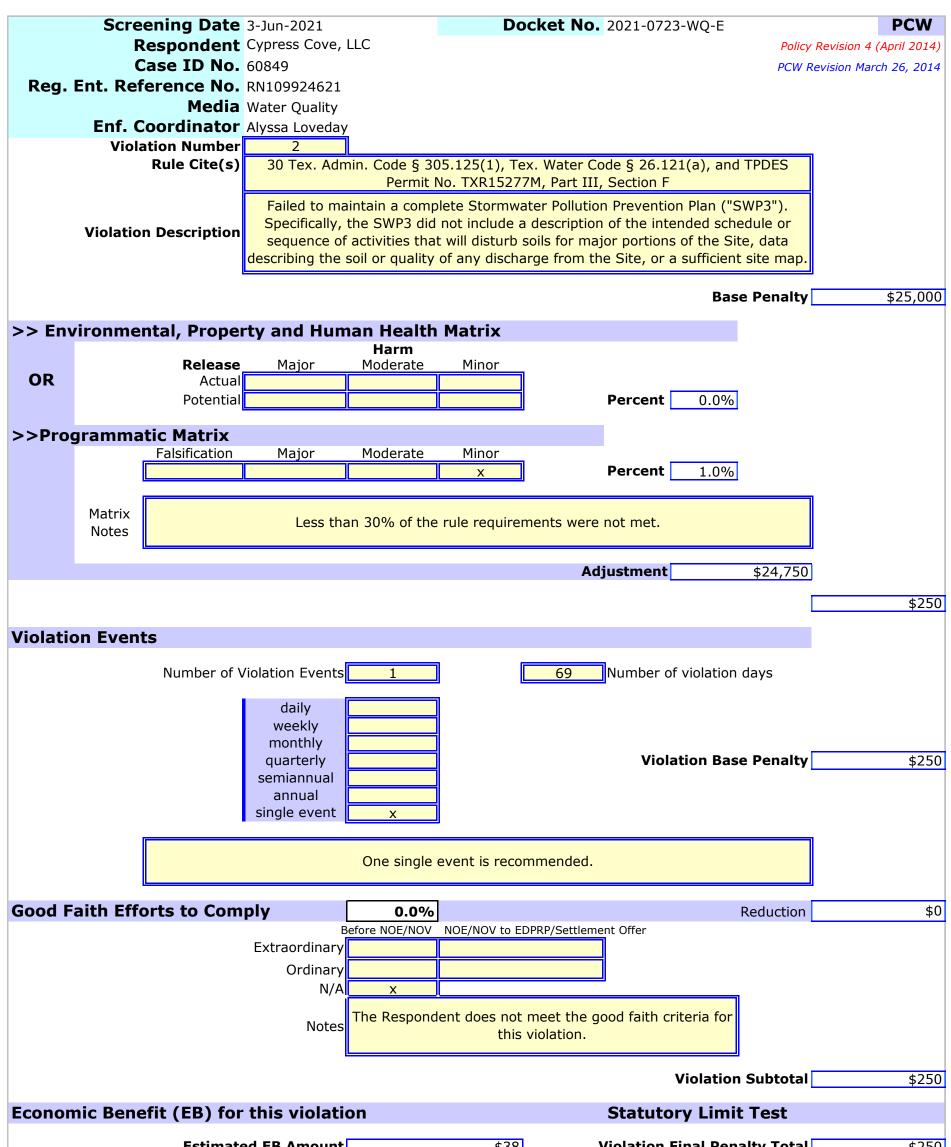
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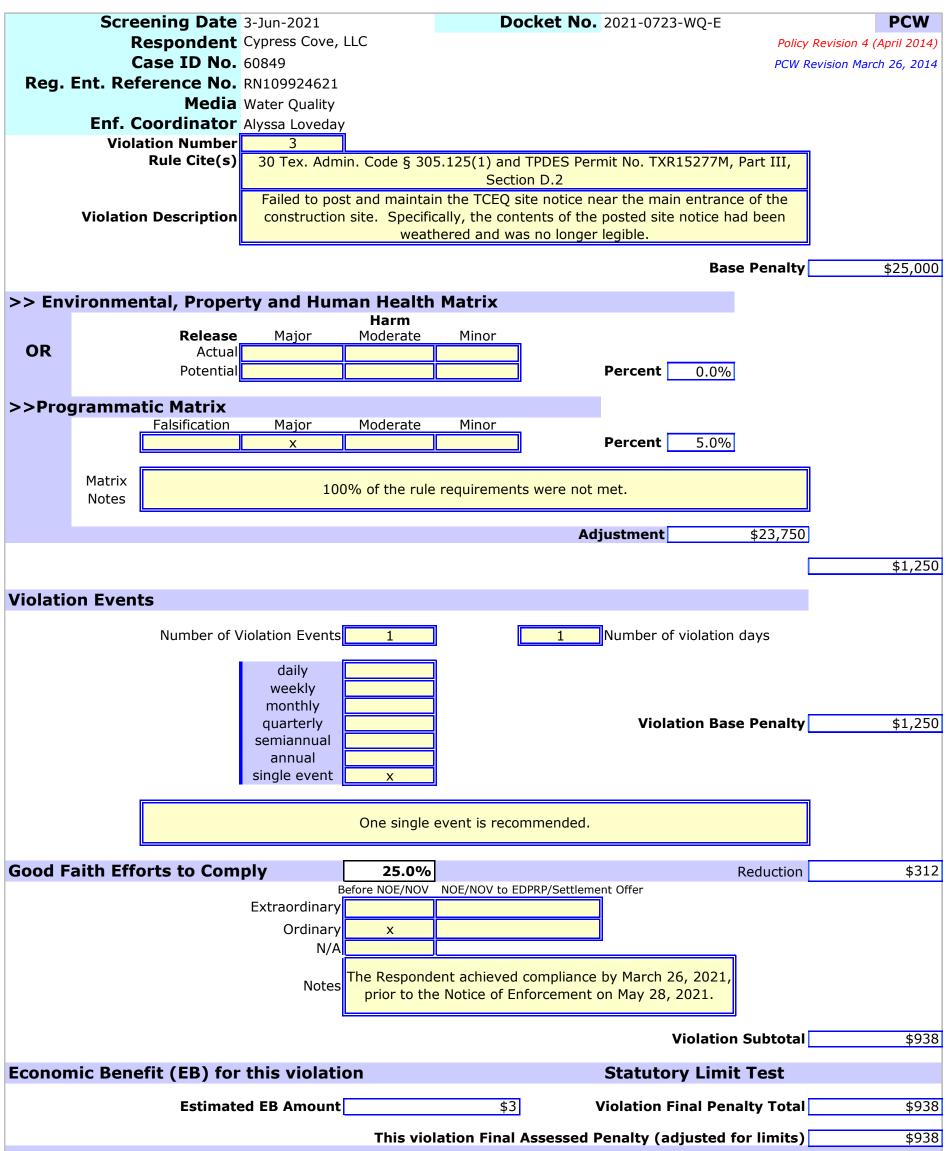
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Delayed Costs							
Equipment	'r 			0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/Construction	\$5,000	15-Sep-2020	30-Mar-2022	1.54	\$26	\$512	\$538
Land	\$5,000	15 Sep 2020	30 1941 2022	0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal	\$1,000	15-Sep-2020	30-Mar-2022	1.54	\$77	n/a	\$77
Permit Costs	<u> </u>		50 Hai 2022	0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
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	\$30		\$230
	This violation Final Asses	ssed Penalty (adjusted for limits)	\$250

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Respondent	Cypress Cove,	LLC					
Case ID No.							
eg. Ent. Reference No.							
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	Water Quality					Percent Interest	Years of
Violation No.	2						Depreciation
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
Item Description		•					
Delayed Costs							
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Equipment Buildings				0.00	\$0 ¢0	<u>\$0</u> \$0	<u>\$0</u>
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0	<u>\$0</u> \$0
Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	<u> </u>
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System	\$500	15-Sep-2020	30-Mar-2022	1.54	\$38	n/a	\$38
Training/Sampling	\$300	15 565 2020	30 1101 2022	0.00	\$0	n/a	<u>\$30</u> \$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	<u> </u>
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	<u>\$0</u> \$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	<u> </u>
Notes for DELAYED costs	initiall	y documenting th	e violation, and	the Fir	nal Date is the esti	Required is the inv mated date of comp	-
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Avoided Costs						r one-time avoide	-
Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Disposal Personnel				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
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Disposal Personnel inspection/Reporting/Sampling Supplies/Equipment				0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0
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	Ec	conomic	Benefit	Wo	rksheet		
Respondent	Cypress Cove,	LLC					
Case ID No.							
Reg. Ent. Reference No.							
-	Water Quality						Years of
						Percent Interest	Depreciation
Violation No.	3						
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
Item Description							
Delayed Costs							
Equipment	I			0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$100	15-Sep-2020	26-Mar-2021	0.53	\$3	n/a	\$3
Notes for DELAYED costs		• -				Date Required is the the date of compliant	-
		te mitany docume	inting the violat	ion, and			
Avoided Costs	ANNUA	LIZE avoided c	osts before er	tering	item (except for	r one-time avoide	d costs)
Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)	-			0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Notes for AVOIDED costs							



Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN605524016, RN109924621, Rating Year 2020 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2015, through August 31, 2020.

Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator:	CN605524016, Cypress Cove, LLC	Classification: UNCLASSIFIE	D Rating :					
Regulated Entity:	RN109924621, CYPRESS LAND & HOMES CR 431 SUBDIVISION	Classification: UNCLASSIFIE	D Rating:					
Complexity Points:	2	Repeat Violator: NO						
CH Group:	09 - Construction							
Location:	Country Road 431 near Tyler, Smith County, Texas							
TCEQ Region:	REGION 05 - TYLER							
ID Number(s): WATER QUALITY NON PER R05109924621 Compliance History Per	MITTED ID NUMBER STOR	200 Rating Year: 2020	Rating Date: 09/01/2020					
. ,	y Report Prepared: June 01, 2021	J	J					
•	ing Compliance History: Enforceme	ent						
Component Period Selec	cted: June 01, 2016 to June 01, 2021							
TCEQ Staff Member to C	contact for Additional Information	Regarding This Compliance H	listory.					
Name: Alyssa Loveday	/	Phone: (512) 239-550	4					

Site and Owner/Operator History:

1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period?	YES
2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period?	NO

Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

- A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees: N/A
- B. Criminal convictions: N/A
- C. Chronic excessive emissions events: N/A
- D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.): N/A
- E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.): A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred. N/A
- F. Environmental audits: N/A
 - N/A
- G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs): N/A

- H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates: $$\rm N/A$$
- I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program: $$\rm N/A$$
- J. Early compliance: N/A

Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A

Component Appendices

Appendix A All NOVs Issued During Component Period 6/1/2016 and 6/1/2021 1 Date: 09/08/2017 (1436418)Classification: Moderate For Informational Purposes Only Self Report? NO 30 TAC Chapter 281, SubChapter A 281.25(a)(4) Citation: Failure to obtain authorization under the TPDES General Permit TXR150000 for Description: Construction Site Storm Water Discharges. Classification: Moderate For Informational Purposes Only Self Report? NO TWC Chapter 26 26.121 Citation: Description: Failure to prevent an unauthorized discharge into or adjacent to a surface water of the state. 2 Date: 09/12/2018 (1507308)Classification: Moderate For Informational Purposes Only Self Report? NO 30 TAC Chapter 281, SubChapter A 281.25(a)(4) Citation: Failure to obtain authorization under the TPDES General Permit TXR150000 for Description: Construction Site Storm Water Discharges. Classification: Moderate For Informational Purposes Only Self Report? NO Citation: TWC Chapter 26 26.121 Failure to prevent an unauthorized discharge into or adjacent to a surface water Description: of the state. 3 Date: 06/28/2019 (1571111)Classification: Moderate For Informational Purposes Only Self Report? NO Citation: TWC Chapter 26 26.121 Failure to prevent the unauthorized discharge of sediment into or adjacent to Description: Waters in the State. Classification: Moderate For Informational Purposes Only Self Report? NO Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 281, SubChapter A 281.25(a)(4) TXR150000/Part III/Section G(1) PERMIT Failure to design effective erosion controls and sediment controls to minimize the Description: discharge of pollutants per TPDES General Permit TXR150000 provision Part III, Section G(1). * NOVs applicable for the Compliance History rating period 9/1/2015 to 8/31/2020

Appendix B

All Investigations Conducted During Component Period June 01, 2016 and June 01, 2021

(1507308) September 07, 2018**For Informational Purposes Only Item 1

* No violations documented during this investigation

**Investigation applicable for the Compliance History Rating period between 09/01/2015 and 08/31/2020.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



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IN THE MATTER OF AN ENFORCEMENT ACTION CONCERNING CYPRESS COVE, LLC RN109924621

BEFORE THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2021-0723-WQ-E

On ______, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding Cypress Cove, LLC (the "Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent presented this Order to the Commission.

The Respondent understands that it has certain procedural rights at certain points in the enforcement process, including the right to formal notice of violations, notice of an evidentiary hearing, the right to an evidentiary hearing, and a right to appeal. By entering into this Order, the Respondent agrees to waive all notice and procedural rights.

It is further understood and agreed that this Order represents the complete and fully-integrated agreement of the parties. The provisions of this Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable. The duties and responsibilities imposed by this Order are binding upon the Respondent.

The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a construction site located on County Road 431 near Tyler, Smith County, Texas (the "Site"). The Site is near or adjacent to water in the state as defined in TEX. WATER CODE § 26.001(5).
- 2. During an investigation conducted from September 15 through September 28, 2020, an investigator documented that:
 - a. Several areas had been denuded along a steep hill on the Site's eastern and northern boundaries, leading to a discharge of sediment into a privately owned, off-site pond and onto adjacent properties.
 - b. The Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan ("SWP3") did not include a description of the intended schedule or sequence of activities, that will disturb soils for major portions of the Site, data describing the soil or quality of any discharge from the Site, or a sufficient site map.

c. The contents of the posted site notice had been weathered and was no longer legible.

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 1, the Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE ch. 26 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 2. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.a, the Respondent failed to install and maintain best management practices ("BMPs") at the Site which resulted in an unauthorized discharge of pollutants, in violation of TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a) and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. TXR15277M, Part III, Section G.1.
- 3. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.b, the Respondent failed to maintain a complete SWP3, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.125(1), TEX. WATER CODE § 26.121(a), and TPDES Permit No. TXR15277M, Part III, Section F.
- 4. As evidenced by Finding of Fact No. 2.c, the Respondent failed to post and maintain the TCEQ site notice near the main entrance of the construction site, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 305.125(1) and TPDES Permit No. TXR15277M, Part III, Section D.2.
- 5. Pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE § 7.051, the TCEQ has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against the Respondent for violations of state statutes within the TCEQ's jurisdiction, for violations of rules adopted under such statutes, or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
- 6. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$2,438 is justified by the facts recited in this Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in TEX. WATER CODE § 7.053. The Respondent paid the \$2,438 penalty.
- 7. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent has implemented a corrective measure at the Site by posting a TCEQ site notice near the main entrance of the Site by March 26, 2021.

III. ORDERING PROVISIONS

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ORDERS that:

1. The Respondent is assessed a penalty as set forth in Conclusion of Law No. 6 for violations of state statutes and rules of the TCEQ. The payment of this penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the matters set forth by this Order in this action. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective actions or penalties for violations that are not raised here. Penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Cypress Cove, LLC, Docket No. 2021-0723-WQ-E" to:

> Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

- 2. The Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Order:
 - i. Install and maintain BMPs at the Site to prevent the unauthorized discharge of sediment, in accordance with the requirements of TPDES General Permit No. TXR15277M;
 - ii. Begin maintaining a complete SWP3; and
 - iii. Remove and dispose of accumulated sediment from the Site's eastern and northern boundaries, off-site pond, and adjacent properties.
 - b. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision No. 2.a. The certification shall be signed by the Respondent and shall include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team Enforcement Division, MC 149A Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Water Section Manager Tyler Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 2916 Teague Drive Tyler, Texas 75701-3734

- 3. All relief not expressly granted in this Order is denied.
- 4. The duties and provisions imposed by this Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of this Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Site operations referenced in this Order.
- 5. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 6. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director. Extension requests shall be sent to the Order Compliance Team at the address listed above.
- 7. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms in this Order.
- 8. This Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Order, whichever is later.
- 9. This Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- 10. This Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and

may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms: electronic transmission, owner, person, writing, and written, shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS. ORG. CODE § 1.002.

11. The effective date of this Order is the date it is signed by the Commission. A copy of this fully executed Order shall be provided to each of the parties.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission

Date

For the Executive Director

6/8/2022 Date

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Order, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

I also understand that failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this Order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may result in:

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;
- Referral of this case to the Attorney General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;
- Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;
- Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement actions; and
- TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.

In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.

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Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of Cypress Cove, LLC

<u>4.14-22</u> Date <u>Member</u>

□ If mailing address has changed, please check this box and provide the new address below: