# Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 65536 Village of Salado RN105534630 Docket No. 2024-0298-MWD-E

Order Type:

1660 Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

N/A **Media:** MWD

**Small Business:** 

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Highlands of Salado WWTF, located north of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 2268 and Shepherd Drive, approximately 2,000 feet north from the end of Shepherd Drive. Salado. Bell County

Type of Operation:

Wastewater treatment facility

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

**Texas Register Publication Date:** May 23, 2025

Comments Received: No

**Penalty Information** 

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$12,750

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$2,550

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$10,200 Total Due to General Revenue: \$0

Due to delieral Revenue. 90

Payment Plan: N/A

**Compliance History Classifications:** 

Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - Satisfactory

Major Source: No

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** January 2021

**Investigation Information** 

Complaint Date(s): N/A

**Complaint Information:** N/A

**Date(s) of Investigation:** October 31, 2023

Date(s) of NOE(s): January 25, 2024

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### Violation Information

- 1. Failed to comply with permitted effluent limitations for total residual chlorine [30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0014898001, Interim Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 2].
- 2. Failed to collect and analyze effluent samples at the intervals specified in the permit. Specifically, the Respondent did not collect and analyze effluent samples for the monthly monitoring period of September 2022 for pH [30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 305.125(1) and 319.5(b), and TPDES Permit No. WQ0014898001, Interim Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 3].

### Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

# Corrective Action(s) Completed:

By February 12, 2024, the Respondent has collected and analyzed samples for pH for at least 12 consecutive months.

# **Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to, within 130 days, submit written certification of compliance with the effluent limitations of TPDES Permit No. WQ0014898001, including specific corrective actions that were implemented at the Facility to achieve compliance and copies of the most current self-reported discharge monitoring reports, demonstrating at least three consecutive months of compliance with all permitted effluent limitations.

#### **Contact Information**

TCEO Attorney: N/A

**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Samantha Smith, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 7, MC R-12, (512) 239-2099; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

**Respondent:** The Honorable Bert Henry, Mayor, Village of Salado, P.O. Box 219, Salado, Texas 76571-0218

Manuel De La Rosa, City Administrator, Village of Salado, P.O. Box 219, Salado, Texas 76571-0218

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021) PCW Revision February 11, 2021

 DATES
 Assigned
 5-Feb-2024

 PCW
 26-Feb-2024
 Screening
 12-Feb-2024

 EPA Due

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION
Respondent
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.
Facility/Site Region

P-Waco

Major/Minor Source Minor

		Penalty Calc	ulation Se	ection		
TOTAL BASE PENA	ALTY (Sum of vi	•			Subtotal 1	\$12,500
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Notes	Defe	erral offered for expe	edited settleme	ent.		
PAYABLE PENALT	Y					\$10,200

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021) PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Screening Date 12-Feb-2024 **Respondent** Village of Salado

**Case ID No.** 65536

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN105534630

Media Water Quality

**Enf. Coordinator** Samantha Smith

Compliance History Worksheet							
>> Cc	ompliance Hist Component	ory <i>Sit</i> e Enhancement (Subtotal 2)  Number of	Number	Adjust.			
	NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	0	0%			
		Other written NOVs	1	2%			
		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 (number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria)	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 (number of events)	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 (number of audits for which violations were disclosed)	0	0%			
		Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%			
	Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%			
		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 (Sub	total 2)	2%		
>> Re	epeat Violator	(Subtotal 3)					
	No Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%						
>> Cc	ompliance Hist	ory Person Classification (Subtotal 7)					
	Satisfactory Performer  Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%						
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Reg.	Ent. Refe		RN105534630					
			Water Quality					
			Samantha Smit	h				
	Violat	ion Number	1					<u>,                                      </u>
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	E	conomic	Benefit	Woı	rksheet		
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	Water Quality					Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
						5.0	15
	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
Item Description							
Delayed Costs				<b>:</b>			
Equipment				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 \$0
Land				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System 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)	\$15,000	31-Aug-2022	17-Apr-2025	2.63	\$1,973	n/a	\$1,973
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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	\$0
Financial Assurance ONE-TIME avoided costs				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0
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Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$15,000			TOTAL		\$1,973

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	t Village of Salado		Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)
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			\$1,250
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Item Description							
Delayed Costs	I-	1		1		1.0	
Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Engineering/Construction Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0 \$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)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
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Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0
Financial Assurance				0.00	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$100	30-Sep-2022	12-Feb-2024	1.37	\$7	\$100	\$107
Notes for AVOIDED costs	Estimated	I avoided cost to c	collect and analy			for each month sal Final Date is the so	mples were
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$100			TOTAL		\$107

# Village of Salado

# TPDES Permit No. WQ0014898001

# Case No. 65536

# Docket No. 2024-0298-MWD-E

# **Effluent Violation Table**

	Total Residual Chlorine	Total Residual Chlorine
	Monthly Minimum Conc.	Monthly Maximum Conc.
Monitoring Period	Limit = 1.0 mg/L	Limit = 4.0 mg/L
August 2022	0.81	С
April 2023	С	8.80
June 2023	0.20	8.90
July 2023	0.27	С

Conc. = concentration mg/L = milligrams per liter c = compliant

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# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN603391541, RN105534630, Rating Year 2024 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2019, through August 31, 2024.

Customer, Respondent, CN603391541, Village of Salado Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 0.80

or Owner/Operator:

Regulated Entity: RN105534630, HIGHLANDS OF Classification: SATISFACTORY Rating: 1.00

SALADO WASTEWATER TREATMENT

**PLANT** 

Complexity Points: 4 Repeat Violator: NO

**CH Group:** 08 - Sewage Treatment Facilities

**Location:** located north of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 2268 and Shepherd Drive, approximately 2,000 feet

north from the end of Shepherd Drive, Bell County, Texas

TCEQ Region: REGION 09 - WACO

ID Number(s):

WASTEWATER EPA ID TX0125610 WASTEWATER PERMIT WQ0014898001

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2019 to August 31, 2024 Rating Year: 2024 Rating Date: 09/01/2024

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: February 13, 2025

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: February 13, 2020 to February 13, 2025

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.

Name: Samantha Smith Phone: (512) 239-2099

#### 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.):

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.

1 Date: 06/10/2024 (1987534)

Self Report? NO Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)
Monitoring Reporting Requirements, 7(c) PERMIT

Description: Failed to provide notification of any effluent violation which deviates from the

permitted effluent limitation by more than 40%.

	N/A
G.	Type of environmental management systems (EMSs): $\ensuremath{N/A}$
н.	Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates: $\ensuremath{N/A}$
I.	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program: $\ensuremath{N/A}$
J.	Early compliance: N/A
Sit	es Outside of Texas:

F. Environmental audits:

N/A

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN § BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION §
CONCERNING § TEXAS COMMISSION ON
VILLAGE OF SALADO §
RN105534630 § ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2024-0298-MWD-E

#### I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On, the	e Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the
Commission" or "TCEQ") considered	d this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement
action regarding the Village of Salad	do (the "Respondent") under the authority of Tex. Water
CODE chs. 7 and 26. The Executive 1	Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and
the Respondent together stipulate t	that:

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a wastewater treatment facility located north of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 2268 and Shepherd Drive, approximately 2,000 feet north from the end of Shepherd Drive in Salado, Bell County, Texas (the "Facility"). The Facility is near or adjacent to water in the state as defined in Tex. WATER CODE § 26.001(5).
- 2. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree that the TCEQ has jurisdiction to enter this Order pursuant to Tex. Water Code §§ 7.002, 7.051, and 7.073, and that the Respondent is subject to TCEQ's jurisdiction. The TCEQ has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 5.013 because it alleges violations of Tex. Water Code ch. 26 and the rules of the TCEQ.
- 3. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
- 4. An administrative penalty in the amount of \$12,750 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent paid \$10,200 of the penalty and \$2,550 is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Order. The deferred amount shall be waived only upon full compliance with all the terms and conditions contained in this Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with any of the terms or requirements contained in this Order, the Executive Director may demand payment of all or part of the deferred penalty amount.
- 5. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a). Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.

- 6. 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 or conditions in this Order.
- 7. 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.
- 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. The Executive Director recognizes that by February 12, 2024, the Respondent has collected and analyzed samples for pH for at least 12 consecutive months.

### II. ALLEGATIONS

During a record review for the Facility conducted on October 31, 2023, an investigator documented that the Respondent:

1. Failed to comply with permitted effluent limitations, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0014898001, Interim Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 2, as shown in the effluent violation table below.

Effluent Violation Table					
Total Residual Chlorine Total Residual C					
	Monthly Minimum Conc.	Monthly Maximum Conc.			
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2. Failed to collect and analyze effluent samples at the intervals specified in the permit, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 305.125(1) and 319.5(b), and TPDES Permit No. WQ0014898001, Interim Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 3. Specifically, the Respondent did not collect and analyze effluent samples for the monthly monitoring period of September 2022 for pH.

#### III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

#### IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

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

1. The Respondent is assessed a penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph No. 4. The payment of this penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all of the requirements set forth in this Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Village of Salado, Docket No. 2024-0298-MWD-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, within 130 days after the effective date of this Order, submit written certification of compliance with the effluent limitations of TPDES Permit No. WQ0014898001, including specific corrective actions that were implemented at the Facility to achieve compliance and copies of the most current self-reported discharge monitoring reports, demonstrating at least three consecutive months of compliance with all permitted effluent limitations. The certification shall include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with the permitted effluent limitations. 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:

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

#### with a copy to:

Water Section Manager Waco Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 6801 Sanger Avenue, Suite 2500 Waco, Texas 76710-7826

- 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 Facility operations referenced in this Order.
- 5. 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 Enforcement Division at the address listed above.
- 6. 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.

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#### SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QU	ALITY
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For the Commission	Date
Krist Melo-Jurach	07/16/2025
For the Executive Director	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 OAG 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 OAG 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.

B. 1 Lun	June 20, 2025
Signature	Date
Bert Henry	Mayor
Name (Printed or typed)	Title
Authorized Representative of	
Village of Salado	

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