

**Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 65571**

**DENTON SAND FARM, LLC**

**RN111886511**

**Docket No. 2024-0569-WQ-E**

**Order Type:**

1660 Agreed Order

**Findings Order Justification:**

N/A

**Media:**

WQ

**Small Business:**

Yes

**Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:**

Denton Sand Farm, 8477 East Sherman Drive, Aubrey, Denton County

**Type of Operation:**

Aggregate production operation (“APO”)

**Other Significant Matters:**

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

**Texas Register Publication Date:** July 26, 2024

**Comments Received:** No

***Penalty Information***

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$10,000

**Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement:** \$2,000

**Total Paid to General Revenue:** \$8,000

**Total Due to General Revenue:** \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

**Compliance History Classifications:**

Person/CN - N/A

Site/RN - N/A

**Major Source:** No

**Statutory Limit Adjustment:** \$3,000

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** January 2021

***Investigation Information***

**Complaint Date(s):** N/A

**Complaint Information:** N/A

**Date(s) of Investigation:** January 18, 2024

**Date(s) of NOE(s):** February 16, 2024

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**DENTON SAND FARM, LLC**  
**RN111886511**  
**Docket No. 2024-0569-WQ-E**

***Violation Information***

1. Failed to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater associated with industrial activities. Specifically, the Respondent was performing aggregate production activities prior to obtaining authorization under Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Multi-Sector General Permit No. TXR050000 [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 281.25(a)(4) and 40 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS § 122.26(c)].

2. Failed to register the Facility as an APO no later than the tenth day business day before the beginning date of regulated activities [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 342.25(b)].

***Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements***

**Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

N/A

**Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to:

a. Within 30 days:

i. Register the Site as an APO through the State of Texas Electronic Reporting System;

ii. Prepare and implement a stormwater pollution prevention plan to comply with the requirements of TPDES Multi-Sector General Permit No. TXR050000; and

iii. Submit a Notice of Intent through the State of Texas Environmental Electronic Reporting System to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater.

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

***Contact Information***

**TCEQ Attorney:** N/A

**TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator:** Madison Stringer, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 1, MC 219, (512) 239-1126; Michael Parrish, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2548

**Respondent:** Joel Stringfellow, Owner, DENTON SAND FARM, LLC, P.O. Box 1097, Denton, Texas 76202

**Respondent's Attorney:** N/A



# Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

<b>DATES</b>	<b>Assigned PCW</b>	21-Feb-2024	<b>Screening</b>	22-Feb-2024	<b>EPA Due</b>	
		4-Apr-2024				

<b>RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Respondent</b>	DENTON SAND FARM, LLC PCW No. 1 of 2
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN111886511
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	4-Dallas/Fort Worth
<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor

<b>CASE INFORMATION</b>				
<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	65571	<b>No. of Violations</b>	1	
<b>Docket No.</b>	2024-0569-WQ-E	<b>Order Type</b>	1660	
<b>Media Program(s)</b>	Water Quality	<b>Government/Non-Profit</b>	No	
<b>Multi-Media</b>		<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Madison Stringer	
		<b>EC's Team</b>	Enforcement Team 1	
<b>Admin. Penalty \$</b>	<b>Limit Minimum</b>	\$0	<b>Maximum</b>	\$25,000

## Penalty Calculation Section

<b>TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)</b>	<b>Subtotal 1</b>	\$5,000
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### ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage.

<b>Compliance History</b>	0.0% Adjustment	<b>Subtotals 2, 3, &amp; 7</b>	\$0
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Notes: No adjustment for Compliance History.

<b>Culpability</b>	No	0.0% Enhancement	<b>Subtotal 4</b>	\$0
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Notes: The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

<b>Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments</b>	<b>Subtotal 5</b>	\$0
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<b>Economic Benefit</b>	0.0% Enhancement*	<b>Subtotal 6</b>	\$0
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Total EB Amounts: \$92  
 Estimated Cost of Compliance: \$2,725  
 \*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

<b>SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7</b>	<b>Final Subtotal</b>	\$5,000
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<b>OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE</b>	0.0%	<b>Adjustment</b>	\$0
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes:

<b>Final Penalty Amount</b>	\$5,000
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<b>STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT</b>	<b>Final Assessed Penalty</b>	\$5,000
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<b>DEFERRAL</b>	20.0%	Reduction	<b>Adjustment</b>	-\$1,000
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage.

Notes: Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

<b>PAYABLE PENALTY</b>	\$4,000
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Screening Date 22-Feb-2024

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PCW

Respondent DENTON SAND FARM, LLC PCW No. 1 of 2

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

Case ID No. 65571

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN111886511

Media Water Quality

Enf. Coordinator Madison Stringer

### Compliance History Worksheet

#### >> Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

Component	Number of...	Number	Adjust.
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%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability ( <i>number of orders meeting criteria</i> )	0	0%
	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 Decrees	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%
	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 ( <i>number of audits for which notices were submitted</i> )	0	0%
	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%
Other	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	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 Percentage (Subtotal 2) 0%

#### >> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%

#### >> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%

#### >> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

No adjustment for Compliance History.

Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 0%

#### >> Final Compliance History Adjustment

Final Adjustment Percentage \*capped at 100% 0%

Screening Date 22-Feb-2024

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Respondent DENTON SAND FARM, LLC PCW No. 1 of 2

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Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN111886511

Media Water Quality

Enf. Coordinator Madison Stringer

Violation Number 1

Rule Cite(s) 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 281.25(a)(4) and 40 Code of Federal Regulations § 122.26(c)

Violation Description

Failed to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater associated with industrial activities. Specifically, the Respondent was performing aggregate production activities prior to obtaining authorization under Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Multi-Sector General Permit No. TXR050000.

Base Penalty \$25,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR			Harm			Percent
	Release	Major	Moderate	Minor	0.0%	
	Actual					
Potential						

>> Programmatic Matrix

	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
		x			

Matrix Notes

100% of the rule requirements were not met.

Adjustment \$22,500

\$2,500

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 2 35 Number of violation days

daily	
weekly	
monthly	x
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	

Violation Base Penalty \$5,000

Two monthly events are recommended from the investigation date (January 18, 2024) to the screening date (February 22, 2024).

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0%

Reduction \$0

	Before NOE/NOV	NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer
Extraordinary		
Ordinary		
N/A	x	

Notes

The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria for this violation.

Violation Subtotal \$5,000

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Statutory Limit Test

Estimated EB Amount \$92

Violation Final Penalty Total \$5,000

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$5,000

# Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** DENTON SAND FARM, LLC PCW No. 1 of 2  
**Case ID No.** 65571  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN111886511  
**Media** Water Quality  
**Violation No.** 1

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
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### Delayed Costs

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
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	\$225	18-Jan-2024	18-Sep-2024	0.67	\$8	n/a	\$8
Other (as needed)	\$2,500	18-Jan-2024	18-Sep-2024	0.67	\$84	n/a	\$84

**Notes for DELAYED costs**

Actual Permit cost to submit a Notice of Intent to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater. The Date Required is the investigation date, and the Final Date is the estimated date of compliance.

Estimated Other costs to develop and implement a stormwater pollution prevention plan. The Date Required is the investigation date, and the Final Date is the estimated date of compliance

### Avoided Costs

**ANNUALIZE avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided 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**

Approx. Cost of Compliance \$2,725

**TOTAL** \$92



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		4-Apr-2024				

<b>RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Respondent</b>	DENTON SAND FARM, LLC PCW No. 2 of 2
<b>Reg. Ent. Ref. No.</b>	RN111886511
<b>Facility/Site Region</b>	4-Dallas/Fort Worth
<b>Major/Minor Source</b>	Minor

<b>CASE INFORMATION</b>					
<b>Enf./Case ID No.</b>	65571	<b>No. of Violations</b>	1		
<b>Docket No.</b>	2024-0569-WQ-E	<b>Order Type</b>	1660		
<b>Media Program(s)</b>	Aggregate Production Operation	<b>Government/Non-Profit</b>	No		
<b>Multi-Media</b>		<b>Enf. Coordinator</b>	Madison Stringer		
		<b>EC's Team</b>	Enforcement Team 1		
<b>Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum</b>	\$5,000	<b>Maximum</b>	\$20,000	<b>Violation Maximum</b>	\$40,000

## Penalty Calculation Section

<b>TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties)</b>	<b>Subtotal 1</b>	\$2,000
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### ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage.

<b>Compliance History</b>	0.0%	Adjustment	<b>Subtotals 2, 3, &amp; 7</b>	\$0
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Notes: No adjustment for Compliance History.

<b>Culpability</b>	No	0.0%	Enhancement	<b>Subtotal 4</b>	\$0
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Notes: The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria.

<b>Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments</b>	<b>Subtotal 5</b>	\$0
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<b>Economic Benefit</b>	0.0%	Enhancement*	<b>Subtotal 6</b>	\$0
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Total EB Amounts: \$26  
 Estimated Cost of Compliance: \$790  
 \*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

<b>SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7</b>	<b>Final Subtotal</b>	\$2,000
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<b>OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE</b>	0.0%	Adjustment	\$0
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Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes:

<b>Final Penalty Amount</b>	\$2,000
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<b>STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT</b>	<b>Final Assessed Penalty</b>	\$5,000
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Notes: The final assessed penalty has been adjusted to meet the statutory requirements of Tex. Water Code § 28A.102.

<b>DEFERRAL</b>	20.0%	Reduction	<b>Adjustment</b>	-\$1,000
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Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage.

Notes: Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

<b>PAYABLE PENALTY</b>	\$4,000
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Screening Date 22-Feb-2024 Docket No. 2024-0569-WQ-E

PCW

Respondent DENTON SAND FARM, LLC PCW No. 2 of 2

Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)

Case ID No. 65571

PCW Revision February 11, 2021

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN111886511

Media Aggregate Production Operation

Enf. Coordinator Madison Stringer

### Compliance History Worksheet

>> Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

Component	Number of...	Number	Adjust.
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	Other written NOVs	0	0%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability ( <i>number of orders meeting criteria</i> )	0	0%
	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 Decrees	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%
	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 ( <i>number of audits for which notices were submitted</i> )	0	0%
	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%
Other	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	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 Percentage (Subtotal 2) 0%

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3) 0%

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

N/A

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7) 0%

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

No adjustment for Compliance History.

Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7) 0%

>> Final Compliance History Adjustment

Final Adjustment Percentage \*capped at 100% 0%

**Screening Date** 22-Feb-2024 **Docket No.** 2024-0569-WQ-E **PCW**  
**Respondent** DENTON SAND FARM, LLC PCW No. 2 of 2 *Policy Revision 5 (January 28, 2021)*  
**Case ID No.** 65571 *PCW Revision February 11, 2021*  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN111886511  
**Media** Aggregate Production Operation  
**Enf. Coordinator** Madison Stringer

**Violation Number** 1  
**Rule Cite(s)** 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 342.25(b)  
**Violation Description** Failed to register the Facility as an aggregate production operation ("APO") no later than the tenth day business day before the beginning date of regulated activities.  
**Base Penalty** \$20,000

**>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix**

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
	Actual				0.0%
	Potential				

**>> Programmatic Matrix**

Matrix Notes	Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
			x		

Matrix Notes: 100% of the rule requirements was not met.

**Adjustment** \$18,000

**\$2,000**

**Violation Events**

Number of Violation Events: 1      35 Number of violation days

daily	
weekly	
monthly	
quarterly	
semiannual	
annual	
single event	x

**Violation Base Penalty** \$2,000

One single event is recommended.

**Good Faith Efforts to Comply** **0.0%** Reduction \$0

	Before NOE/NOV	NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer
Extraordinary		
Ordinary		
N/A	x	

Notes: The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria for this violation.

**Violation Subtotal** \$2,000

**Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation**      **Statutory Limit Test**

Estimated EB Amount: \$26      Violation Final Penalty Total: \$2,000

**This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)** \$5,000

# Economic Benefit Worksheet

**Respondent** DENTON SAND FARM, LLC PCW No. 2 of 2  
**Case ID No.** 65571  
**Reg. Ent. Reference No.** RN111886511  
**Media** Aggregate Production Operation  
**Violation No.** 1

Percent Interest	Years of Depreciation
5.0	15

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Costs Saved	EB Amount
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### Delayed Costs

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
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	\$790	18-Jan-2024	18-Sep-2024	0.67	\$26	n/a	\$26
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

**Notes for DELAYED costs**

Actual permit cost to register the Facility as an APO and obtain approval. The Date Required is the investigation date, and the Final Date is the estimated date of compliance.

### Avoided Costs

**ANNUALIZE avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided 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**

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$790

**TOTAL**

\$26

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# Compliance History Report

Compliance History Report for CN606222081, RN111886511, Rating Year 2023 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2018, through August 31, 2023.

**Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator:** CN606222081, Denton Sand Farm, LLC      **Classification:** NOT APPLICABLE      **Rating:** N/A

**Regulated Entity:** RN111886511, DENTON SAND FARM      **Classification:** NOT APPLICABLE      **Rating:** N/A

**Complexity Points:** N/A      **Repeat Violator:** N/A

**CH Group:** 14 - Other

**Location:** 8477 EAST SHERMAN DRIVE, AUBREY, DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS

**TCEQ Region:** REGION 04 - DFW METROPLEX

**ID Number(s):**  
**WATER QUALITY NON PERMITTED ID NUMBER** R04111886511

**Compliance History Period:** September 01, 2018 to August 31, 2023      **Rating Year:** 2023      **Rating Date:** 09/01/2023

**Date Compliance History Report Prepared:** June 04, 2024

**Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:** Enforcement

**Component Period Selected:** June 04, 2019 to June 04, 2024

**TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.**  
**Name:** Madison Stringer      **Phone:** (512) 239-1126

## Site and Owner/Operator History:

- 1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five-year compliance period? NO
- 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

### **G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):**

N/A

*Customer was not affiliated to Regulated Entity at time of Compliance History Rating.*

**H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:**

N/A

**I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:**

N/A

**J. Early compliance:**

N/A

**Sites Outside of Texas:**

N/A

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN  
ENFORCEMENT ACTION  
CONCERNING  
DENTON SAND FARM, LLC  
RN111886511

§ BEFORE THE  
§ TEXAS COMMISSION ON  
§ ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER  
DOCKET NO. 2024-0569-WQ-E

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On \_\_\_\_\_, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding DENTON SAND FARM, LLC (the "Respondent") under the authority of TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7, 26, and 28A. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent together stipulate that:

1. The Respondent is a responsible party as defined in TEX. WATER CODE § 28A.001(6), because it is an owner, as defined in TEX. WATER CODE § 28A.001(5), of an aggregate production operation ("APO") located at 8477 East Sherman Drive in Aubrey, Denton County, Texas (the "Facility"). Aggregates are being or have been removed from the Facility's earth. Therefore, the Facility is an APO as defined in TEX. WATER CODE § 28A.001(1). 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 chs. 26 and 28A, 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 \$10,000 is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent paid \$8,000 of the penalty and \$2,000 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.

## **II. ALLEGATIONS**

During an investigation at the Facility conducted on January 18, 2024, an investigator documented that the Respondent:

1. Failed to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater associated with industrial activities, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 281.25(a)(4) and 40 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS § 122.26(c). Specifically, the Respondent was performing aggregate production activities prior to obtaining authorization under Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Multi-Sector General Permit No. TXR050000.
2. Failed to register the Facility as an APO no later than the tenth day business day before the beginning date of regulated activities, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 342.25(b).

## **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: DENTON SAND FARM, LLC, Docket No. 2024-0569-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. Register the Site as an APO through the State of Texas Electronic Reporting System;
    - ii. Prepare and implement a stormwater pollution prevention plan to comply with the requirements of TPDES Multi-Sector General Permit No. TXR050000; and
    - iii. Submit a Notice of Intent through the State of Texas Environmental Electronic Reporting System to obtain authorization to discharge stormwater.
  - 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 Nos. 2.a.i, 2.a.ii, and 2.a.iii. 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  
Dallas/Fort Worth Regional Office  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
2309 Gravel Drive  
Fort Worth, Texas 76118-6951

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.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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For the Commission

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Date

  
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For the Executive Director

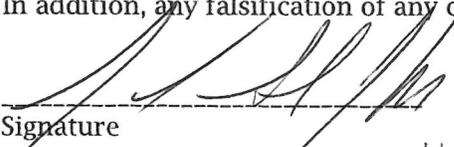
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I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Order, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty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

  
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Signature

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6-24-24  
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Date

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Joel Stringfellow  
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Name (Printed or typed)  
Authorized Representative of  
DENTON SAND FARM, LLC

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Owner  
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Title

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

cc. # 836607  
6-24-24

**Instructions:** Send the original, signed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section at the address in Ordering Provision 1 of this Order.