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Subject: FW: Re: COVID19 Regulatory Relief Request for TPDES MSGP TXR05U021
Date: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 8:30:35 AM
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Good morning Rebekah,

ENF Discretion response from Director below.

Thank you,

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Good Evening Asciatu Whiteside,

The TCEQ has received your July 6, 2020 request for enforcement discretion to suspend quarterly visual stormwater monitoring at five sampling locations through September 30, 2021; specifically, Part III-Section B(3), of the Multi-Sector General Permit. Your request is approved through September 30, 2020. Please notify the TCEQ DFW region office when the COVID-19 pandemic response no longer interferes in complying with these permit provisions. If it becomes apparent that continued discretion is needed past September 30, 2020, please prepare and submit an amended request for review.

The TCEQ will revisit this issue at the appropriate time and reserves the right to withdraw this approval.

Regards,

Randy J. Ammons, Director
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From: Whiteside, Asciatu <[REDACTED]>
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Subject: COVID19 Regulatory Relief Request for TPDES MSGP TXR05U021

Good Morning Mr. Garcia,

Please refer to the attached letter regarding Dallas Fort Worth International (DFW) Airport's request for regulatory relief, and suspend quarterly visual monitoring for TPDES Multi-Sector General Permit No. TXR05U021 while personnel at DFW Airport are being asked to employ social distancing and transition to a virtual work from home strategy. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me via email at [REDACTED] or mobile phone at (817) 683-1651.

Thank you

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July 06, 2020

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Re: COVID19 Regulatory Relief Request for TPDES Permit No. TXR05U021
Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport Board
TCEQ Customer Reference Number: CN601700610
Regulated Entity Number: RN100214907

Dear Mr. Garcia:

The Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) is requesting the temporary suspension of quarterly visual monitoring requirements associated with the DFW Airport Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3) for DFW's TPDES Permit No. TXR05U021. The Environmental Affairs Department (EAD) of DFW Airport did not anticipate that COVID19 would last longer than a couple of months. However, due to the continued spread of COVID19 in the state of Texas, it is taking DFW Airport, like many organizations, a significant length of time to create a safe working environment. With that said, DFW Airport employees are still being asked to work virtually from home and limit office visits to reduce the spread of the coronavirus.

The TPDES Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) requires permittees to conduct quarterly visual monitoring at selected stormwater outfalls during rainfall events. While DFW Airport has several sampling sites in which permanent visual monitoring sampling stations have been installed and can collect the first flush samples independent of staff, there are five stormwater outfalls in which stormwater samples must be collected by staff at the time of discharge. Unlike other permit requirements that can be planned or scheduled in a manner to minimize office visits, visual monitoring at our stormwater outfalls is often sporadic and difficult to perform without environmental staff in the office in stand-by mode. DFW Airport would like to request a suspension of visual monitoring at the five stormwater outfalls which do not have permanent sampling stations installed.

DFW Environmental Affairs is requesting that the TCEQ permit DFW Airport to suspend visual monitoring requirements at stormwater outfalls through the remainder of FY21 or September 30, 2021, without related repercussion (i.e. enforcement action) during this time of crisis. The Airport will resume performing visual monitoring once staff returns to the office on a regular schedule and will notify the TCEQ that the request for suspension is no longer required.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Asciatu Whiteside at 972-973-5582.

Sincerely,



Asciatu Whiteside
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cc: R. Horton, H. Frost, File