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Subject: RE: COVID19 Regulatory Relief Request for TPDES WQ0001441000
Date: Sunday, March 22, 2020 9:22:27 AM

Good morning Asciatu Whiteside,

The TCEQ has received your request for enforcement discretion to suspend all stormwater sampling requirements due to limited staff due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Specifically, the suspension of Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements, Page 2 and 2a of permit WQ0001441000. Your request is approved. Please continue to keep us updated as conditions change.

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

Regards,

Randy J. Ammons, Area Director
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Subject: COVID19 Regulatory Relief Request for TPDES WQ0001441000
Date: Friday, March 20, 2020 11:16:13 AM
Attachments: [3.20.20 COVID19 Regulatory Relief Request for TPDES WQ0001441000.pdf](#)

Good Morning Mr. Garcia,

Please refer to the attached letter regarding Dallas Fort Worth International (DFW) Airport's request for regulatory relief, and suspend weekly storm water sampling for TPDES Permit No. WQ0001441000 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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March 20, 2020

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
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Re: COVID19 Regulatory Relief Request for TPDES Permit No. WQ0001441000
Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport Board
TCEQ Customer Reference Number: CN601700610
Regulated Entity Number: RN100213990

Dear Mr. Garcia:

The Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) is requesting the temporary suspension of monitoring requirements, specifically weekly wet weather storm water sampling, for DFW's TPDES Permit No. WQ0001441000. In response to the adjustments organizations are being asked to employ to reduce the spread of the coronavirus, DFW Airport's Environmental Affairs Department is required to implement social distancing and has transitioned to a virtual work from home strategy, which has dramatically limited the amount of staff we will have available to safely perform this duty.

Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements per DFW's Individual TPDES Permit are outlined on Page 2 and 2a of the Permit. Other Requirements No. 7 in the permit provides further guidance on when stormwater sampling must be conducted. Other Requirements No. 20 states that "during normal business days and hours of operation, trained personnel shall remain on-site to perform the required outfall sampling. The permittee shall notify the TCEQ Water Quality Division, Wastewater Permitting Section (MC-148) if the hours of operation change significantly."

DFW Airport is focused on adjusting normal business operations to support the country's Pandemic response, in addition to maintaining a safe and healthy work environment for the employees and their families. DFW Environmental Affairs is requesting that the TCEQ permit DFW Airport to suspend all stormwater sampling requirements without related repercussion (i.e. enforcement action) during this time of crisis.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Asciatu Whiteside', is located below the 'Sincerely,' text.

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