

Application for North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Infrastructure

North Carolina

Wastewater Treatment Plant Supplemental Funding

Submitted by:

Town of Waynesville

Fall 2022

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Application Form

Town of Waynesville – Supplemental Funding for WWTP Improvements



North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Infrastructure Application for Funding



(Last updated: July 2022)

1. General Information		
Applicant Name	County	Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)
Town of Waynesville	Haywood	LTFMMKCSKK99
Project Name	Federal Tax ID #	PWSID or NPDES # (if applicable)
WWTP Supplemental Funding	56-6001367	NC0025321
Applicant Type		Funding Amount Requested
Municipality Non-Profit Water Corpo	oration	\$29,140,200
County Council of Government	or Non-Profit Entity	
Water and Sewer District Partnering with Municip	pality or County for	Total Project Cost
Water and Sewer Authority LASH Stormwater Proj	ect	\$29,423,000
Funding Type(s) Requested		
Drinking Water or Wastewater Planning	Construction Project	Watar
Asset Inventory and Assessment (AIA)		
Pre-Construction Planning Grant (without construction)		a breen Project: stream restoration
	stormwate	r SCM, reclaimed water
Stormwater Planning Grant (LASII)	└→ □ CDBG-Ini	frastructure (CDBG-I)
Develop and Implement a New Stormwater Utility (LASII)	Stormwate	er Construction (LASII)
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	\square ACS \square Survey	niod. Eivii i creentage.
Accentance of Funding Offer (for Construction Projects only)		
These questions will be used to identify the best funding fit. Fundir	ng from the American Res	cue Plan Act (ARPA) and CDBG-I is
available as grants, and principal forgiveness is available from the S	State Revolving Funds.	
1. I am willing to accept funding that includes federal conditions.	Yes No	
2. I will only accept a funding offer (loan and/or grant) if a minim	num of \$0 is offered as a g	grant or principal forgiveness. Enter \$0
if you are willing to accept a loan offer with no grant or princi	pal forgiveness.	
3. \square Because of the potential hardship related to a State Revolvin	ng Fund and/or State Res	erve Program loan, this application seeks
to replace the \$24,545,900 loan awarded to the Town of Wa	ynesville Wastewater Tre	atment Plant Improvements Phase I
(Project No. CS370930-01) with grant funding. Note: loans	that have already receive	ed disbursements are not eligible.
2. Drinking Water and Wastewater System Parameters	(Not applicable for sto	ormwater projects)
Residential Sewer Connections	Resident	ial Water Connections
4346		6024
Non-Residential Sewer Connections	Non-Reside	ential Water Connections
694		775
Monthly Sewer Bill per 5,000 gallons	Monthly Wa	ater Bill per 5,000 gallons
35.81		23.62
Percentage of Utility Bills Collected	d and Rate Increase P	ercentages
Year Percentage of Utility E	Bills Collected	Rate Increase Percentage
2020-2021 95.8%		3% Water/10% Sewer
2019-2020 99.0%		9.09%
2018-2019 99.7%		8.36%
2017-2018 99.5%		5.41%
2016-2017 99.6%		4.08%

3. Ap	pplicant Contact Information	
	Authorized Representative Name:	Rob Hites
	Authorized Representative Title:	Town Manager
	Mailing Address Line 1:	P.O. Box 100
	Mailing Address Line 2:	
	City:	Waynesville
	State:	North Carolina
	Zip Code:	28786
	Physical Address Line 1:	16 South Main Street
	Physical Address Line 2:	
	Physical Address City:	Waynesville
	Physical Address State:	North Carolina
	Physical Address Zip Code:	28786
	Phone Number:	828-452-2401
	Email Address:	rhites@waynesvillenc.gov
4. Ap	plication Preparer Contact Information	
	Firm Name:	McGill Associates, PA
	Contact Name:	Alison Heim
	Mailing Address Line 1:	55 Broad Street
	Mailing Address Line 2:	
	City:	Asheville
	State:	North Carolina
	Zip Code:	28801
	Physical Address Line 1:	55 Broad Street
	Physical Address Line 2:	
	Physical Address City:	Asheville
	Physical Address State:	North Carolina
	Physical Address Zip Code:	28801
	Phone Number:	828-252-0575
	Email Address:	Alison.heim@mcgillassociates.com
5. En	gineer Contact Information	
Is the e	engineering firm different from the application preparer?	Yes No
	Engineering Firm Name:	McGill Associates
	Contact Name:	MJ Chen
	Mailing Address 1:	55 Broad Street
	Mailing Address 2:	
	City:	Asheville
	State:	North Carolina
	Zip Code:	28801
	Physical Address Line 1:	55 Broad Street
	Physical Address Line 2:	
	Physical Address City:	Asheville
	Physical Address State:	North Carolina
	Physical Address Zip Code:	28801
	Phone Number:	828-252-0575
	Email Address:	mj.chen@mcgillassociates.com

6. Project Description (see Instructions)

Currently, the Town of Waynesville has received a LOIF and subsequent documents from DWI to award \$24,545,900 in CWSRF funding to the subject project (\$500,000 in principal forgiveness). However, the total construction cost of the project is \$29,423,000, which leaves a funding shortfall in the amount of \$4,877,100. Therefore, this application has two main objectives: 1) fully fund the subject project through DWI programs; 2) replace as much of the SRF loan funding with ARPA or principal forgiveness as the town is eligible for (\$15,000,000 for at-risk communities like Waynesville). The revised award being requested totals \$29,140,200 which is comprised of \$15,000,000 in ARPA grant funding, \$13,140,200 in CWSRF loan and \$1,000,000 in CWSRF principal forgiveness.

In recent years Waynesville's wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) has received numerous notices of violations (NOVs) from the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) for sewer system overflows and permit limit exceedances of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES) since 2016. Civil penalties and fines have been paid with increasing frequency in the last several years. It is believed that the majority of the compliance issues were caused by aged and inadequate equipment and structures. The newest additions to the liquids and solids treatment processes were made in 2000 and 2001, respectively. All of the concrete basins, except for the anaerobic digester, are 50+ years old and the anaerobic digester is over 35 years old. Many of the mechanical components are at least 20 years old.

This project will consist of the replacement or rehabilitation of some component of every unit process at the WWTP, including but not limited to:

- 1. Replacement of the existing headworks with a new headworks to be housed in a new structure, consisting of new mechanical fine screens, vortex grit removal, and a grit classifier.
- 2. Replacement of the primary clarifiers with primary disk filters for primary treatment.
- 3. Installation of an influent pump station with four submersible solids handling pumps.
- 4. Rehabilitation of the existing aeration basins, including concrete rehabilitation, and replacement of air piping and new aeration diffusers.
- 5. Installation of new blowers and new control panels to control blowers with variable frequency drives using dissolved oxygen data from aeration basins.
- 6. Rehabilitation of the existing rectangular secondary clarifiers including raising the wall (depth), new sludge removal systems, scum removal systems, and effluent troughs.
- 7. Replacement of existing return activated sludge pumps and waste activated sludge pumps.
- 8. Conversion of the existing blower building to a liquid chemical storage and feed building with storage tanks, dosing pumps and piping.
- 9. Construction of a non-potable effluent water reuse system to provide primary filter backwash water and plant washdown water.
- 10. Replacement of mechanical components in primary and secondary sludge thickeners.
- 11. Rehabilitation of the belt filter press, including replacement of the polymer feed system and repair of the control panel.

The purpose of the project goal is to implement necessary improvements to bring the wastewater treatment plant into full and stable compliance with its NPDES discharge permit. This project will not increase capacity and 100% of the project cost is to replace/rehabilitate aged infrastructure.

Estimated number of <u>new</u> connections served by Drinking Water or Wastewater construction project:

For Drinking Water and Wastewater Construction, CDBG-I, CWSRF Green Projects, Pre-Construction Planning Grants:

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- The proposed project is a result of an Asset Inventory and Assessment grant previously awarded by the Division.
- The proposed project is a result of a Merger / Regionalization Feasibility Study grant previously awarded by the Division.
- \boxtimes None of the above.

7. Additional Information for Consideration

Prior to being designated as "at-risk", the Town of Waynesville received a CSWRF loan of \$19,545,900 (CS370930-01) in July 2019 and supplementary loan of \$5,000,000 in July 2022. With the Town being on the verge of Distressed status, any and all grant funding will be critical to ensuring the long-term viability of Waynesville's utility enterprise fund. The Town of Waynesville is seeking \$15 million ARPA grant with the remainder SRF loan.

8a. Project Budget for All Construction Projects and Drinking Water/Wastewater Pre-Construction Planning Grants only.					
*This budget is comprised of 100% division funding requests since the project has already been awarded funding under SRF Project No. CS370930-01 and the current request is to replace that funding with \$15 million VUR/ARPA funds.	Division Funding Requested	Other Local Funding Source(s)	Total Cost Amount		
Construction Costs					
Mobilization/General Requirements	\$642,611		\$642,611		
Primary Treatment Facility	\$12,073,909		\$12,073,909		
Aeration Basin and Blowers	\$2,578,369		\$2,578,369		
Secondary Clarifiers and RAS/WAS Pump Station	\$3,679,269		\$3,679,269		
Chemical System Improvements	\$639,398		\$639,398		
Chlorine Contact Basin Modifications	\$160,653		\$160,653		
Reuse Pump Station	\$267,755		\$267,755		
Sludge Thickener Rehabilitation	\$235,088		\$235,088		
Solids Handling Improvements	\$2,940,695		\$2,940,695		
Yard Piping	\$1,001,402		\$1,001,402		
Site Work	\$1,069,305		\$1,069,305		
Sludge Removal	\$53,551		\$53,551		
Existing Blower Building Roof Insulation	\$16,065		\$16,065		
Existing Blower Building Wood Replacement	\$2,570		\$2,570		
Rock Excavation	\$364,360		\$364,360		
Contingency (10% of construction costs):	\$1,286,250		\$1,286,250		
Access Roads	\$150,000		\$150,000		
Construction Subtotal:	\$27,161,300	\$ -	\$27,161,300		
Engineering Costs					
Design and Permitting	\$1,332,300	\$ -	\$1,332,300		
Bidding and Awarding	\$19,500	\$ -	\$19,500		
Construction Administration and Observation	\$467,100	\$ -	\$467,100		
Post Construction Service	\$10,000	\$ -	\$10,000		
Engineering Subtotal:	\$1,828,900	\$ -	\$1,828,900		
Administration Costs					
Legal Testing	\$100,000	\$ -	\$100,000		
Engineering Report Preparation	\$30,000	\$ -	\$30,000		
Other: Bond Attorney	\$20,000	\$ -	\$20,000		
Other: Loan Closing	\$ -	\$282,800	\$282,804		
Administration Subtotal:	\$150,000	\$282,804	\$432,804		
TOTAL PROJECT COST:	\$29,140,200	\$282,800	\$29,423,000		

A Professional Engineer signature and seal for the estimate <u>must be provided</u> in the space to the right for the application to be considered complete.

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 8b. Project Budget for AIA and MRF Grants, and Training and/or Rate Study Components to Drinking Water or Wastewater Projects.

 Do not use for Pre-Construction Planning Grants, or any type of LASII Stormwater project.

Add additional lines as needed.	
	Division Funding Requested
N/A	
TOTAL DIVISION FUNDING REQUESTED:	

8c. Project Budget for Stormwater Planning Grant (LASII) and Grant to Develop and ImplementStormwater Utility (LASII).Do not use for any other project type, including stormwater con	ent a New struction (LASII).
 If the application includes a request for funds to <u>both</u> Develop and Implement a New Stormwater Utility Planning work, <u>the budget shown below must be labeled and shown separately</u>. Add additional lines as needed. 	and other Stormwater
	Division Funding Requested
N/A	
TOTAL DIVISION FUNDING REQUESTED FOR STORMWATER PLANNING GRANT (LASII):	
TOTAL DIVISION FUNDING REQUESTED TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A NEW STORMWATER UTILITY (LASII):	

Certification by Authorized Representative

The attached statements and exhibits are hereby made part of this application, and the undersigned representative of the Applicant certifies that the information in this application and the attached statements and exhibits are true, correct, and complete to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. By initialing each item and signature at the end of this application, he/she further certifies that:

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1. as Authorized Representative, he/she has been authorized to file this application by formal action of the governing body;

2. the governing body agrees to provide for proper short-term and long-term maintenance and operation of the approved project after its completion;

3. the Applicant has substantially complied with or will comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations and ordinances as applicable to this project;

4. the Applicant will adopt and place into effect on or before the completion of the project a schedule of fees and charges which will provide for the adequate and proper operation, maintenance, and administration and repayment of all principal and interest on loans (if applicable) of the project [if not applicable, initial "N/A"];

5. the Applicant has followed proper accounting and fiscal reporting procedures, as evidenced by the Applicant's most recent audit report, and that the Applicant is in substantial compliance with provision of the general fiscal control laws of the State;

6. the Project Budget for all construction projects and pre-construction planning grants provided in this application form (Section 8a, if applicable) includes all funding requested from all sources of funding proposed for this project;

7. the (Town or County), North Carolina is organized and chartered under the laws of North Carolina, or the special purpose unit of local government is incorporated under the laws of North Carolina. All officials and employees are aware of, and in full compliance with NCGS 14-234, "Public officers or employees benefiting from public contracts; exceptions." (For units of local government only. All others should initial "N/A");

8. the Applicant acknowledges that all loans and Viable Utility Reserve grants are subject to approval by the Local Government Commission (not applicable for CDBG-I or stormwater projects);

9. the Applicant acknowledges that if the application is for a drinking water or wastewater project and any one of the local government units involved in the project is designated as distressed by the State Water Infrastructure Authority and the Local Government Commission, the local government unit(s) must complete the viable utility requirements in NCGS 159G-45(b) by conducting an asset assessment and rate study, participate in a training program, and develop a short-term and long-term action plan considering infrastructure repair, maintenance, and management, continuing education, and long-term financial management plan. Additional conditions may be imposed on the local government(s) designated as distressed by the State Water Infrastructure Authority and/or the Local Government Commission. (Initial "N/A" if does not apply to project type or all local governments involved in the project).

10. the Applicant acknowledges that, in accordance with G.S. 120-157.2, for local government debt to be issued greater than \$1,000,000, the local government must report to Committee Chairs, Committee Assistant, and the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly at least 45 days prior to presentation before the Local Government Commission (For units of local government only. All others, and CDBG-I and stormwater (LASII) applicants should initial "N/A"); and

11. if the Applicant receives a grant with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds, the Applicant acknowledges and accepts the following conditions:

- a) all ARPA project funds must be reimbursed by December 31, 2026;
- b) project funds will not be used to pay existing debt or as a match for other federal funds;

c) if the project is also funded with other federal funds, the federal requirements of the other funds will apply to the ARPA funds; and

d) for projects receiving ten million dollars or more in ARPA funding: recipients must certify or provide plans and reports meeting federal requirements on reporting on prevailing wage rates, project labor agreements, and related information as specified in the U.S. Treasury's <u>Compliance and Reporting Guidance for the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds</u>.

Completeness Checklist

In addition to this application, the following items must be included in the application package to be eligible or to successfully claim priority points. Failure to include or properly document an item marked with * will result in an incomplete and ineligible application which will not be considered for funding. Please initial that each item is included in this submittal. If not applicable for the project, please initial "N/A".

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Resolution by Governing Body of Applicant with Certification by Recording Officer * †

Resolution by Governing Body of Applicant to Develop and Implement a Stormwater Utility with a Stormwater Enterprise Fund * † [for 'Develop and Implement a New Stormwater Utility' project only; <u>replaces</u> "Resolution by Governing Body of Applicant with Certification by Recording Officer" above]

Comprehensive Narrative to Claim Points in the Priority Rating System *

Documentation to Support the Comprehensive Narratives, including maps or images as needed

Applicable Priority Rating System Form to Claim Points † [for Construction Projects and Pre-Construction Planning Grants only]

Affordability Calculator † or handwritten affordability calculations [not applicable to CDBG-I, AIA, MRF, or stormwater projects (LASII)]

Fund Transfer Certification with appropriate box checked * † [not applicable to CDBG-I or stormwater projects (LASII)]

Water & Sewer Financial Information Form † [not applicable to stormwater projects (LASII)]

Commitment of Other Funds Form, Low to Moderate Income Documentation, and Federal Compliance Documents* † [for CDBG-I applications only]

Stormwater Entity Eligibility Certification Form * † [for stormwater projects (LASII) only]

Current rate sheets and NC Water & Sewer Rate Form[†] in effect on application deadline (for <u>both</u> water <u>and</u> sewer if the utility provides both water and sewer, or for water or sewer depending on the utility service) [not applicable to stormwater projects (LASII)]

Current stormwater fees in effect on application deadline [for stormwater projects (LASII) only if fees apply]

PE Seal on Project Budget * [for Construction Projects and Pre-Construction Planning Grants only]

* <u>Required</u> in the application package. Failure to include or properly document will result in an incomplete and ineligible application which will not be considered for funding.

† Forms and templates are available separately on the Division's application webpage.

Submittal Information

All application packages must be submitted electronically at https://edocs.deq.nc.gov/Forms/OPA-ARPA

See Instructions on completing the form online.

Online submittal of the application package is sufficient for all applications, except for CDBG-Infrastructure applications.

For CDBG-Infrastructure applications only: in addition to submitting the application package electronically at the link above, you must **send one (1) original hard copy*** of the application package to:

Mailing Address[†] (US Postal Service only) Division of Water Infrastructure 1633 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-1633

Physical Address (FedEx, UPS)[‡]

Division of Water Infrastructure – 8th Floor, Archdale Building 512 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27604 919.707.9160

* Provide a hard copy that is <u>bound</u> (e.g., report cover with fasteners, plastic report combs, spiral or 3-ring binders). No paper clips, staples or binder clasps.

[†] Please allow two weeks for delivery if mailing via the US Postal Service.

[‡] For all courier services, please use the physical address, as having a courier deliver to the mailing address will delay package delivery.

Application Signature

Original signature is required for the application. Application with no signature is incomplete and ineligible for consideration.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Rob Hites

Town Manager

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Resolution

RESOLUTION No. R-05-22 RESOLUTION BY GOVERNING BODY OF APPLICANT

WHEREAS; The Federal Clean Water Act Amendments of 1987 and the North Carolina Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 (NCGS 159G) have authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction of wastewater treatment plant upgrades and

WHEREAS; The Town of Waynesville has need for and intends to construct a wastewater treatment improvement project, and

WHEREAS; The Town of Waynesville intends to request State loan and/or grant assistance for the project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE:

That <u>Town of Waynesville</u>, the **Applicant**, will arrange financing for all remaining costs of the project, if approved for a State loan and/or grant award.

That the **Applicant** will adopt and place into effect on or before completion of the project a schedule of fees and charges and other available funds which will provide adequate funds for proper operation, maintenance, and administration of the system and the repayment of all principal and interest on the debt.

That the Board of Aldermen of the Applicant agrees to include in the loan agreement a provision authorizing the State Treasurer, upon failure of the Town of Waynesville to make scheduled repayment of the loan, to withhold from the Town of Waynesville any State funds that would otherwise be distributed to the local government unit in an amount sufficient to pay all sums then due and payable to the State as a repayment of the loan.

That the **Applicant** will provide for efficient operation and maintenance of the project on completion of construction thereof.

That <u>Gary Caldwell, Mayor</u>, and <u>Rob Hites</u>, <u>Town Manager</u>, the **Authorized Officials**, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the **Applicant** with the State of North Carolina for a loan and/or grant to aid in the study of or construction of the project described above.

That the **Authorized Officials**, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project: to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

CERTIFICATION BY RECORDING OFFICER

The undersigned duly qualified and acting (title of officer) of the Town of Waynesville does hereby certify: That the above/attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the State of North Carolina, as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Waynesville duly held on the $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{A}}$ day of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{A}}$ day of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{A}}$ and further, that such resolution has been fully recorded in the journal of proceedings and records in my office. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{A}}$ day of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{A}}$, 2022.

(Signature of Recording Officep

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That the **Applicant** has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 26 day of _____, 2022 at

16 South Main Street, PO Box 100 Waynesville NC 28786.

(Signature of Authorized Official)

Town MANNERA

(Title)

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN Regular Meeting April 12, 2022

THE WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN held a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 6:00 pm. in the Town Hall Board Room located at 9 South Main Street Waynesville, NC.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gary Caldwell called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm with the following members present:

Mayor Gary Caldwell Mayor Pro Tem Julia Freeman Alderman Jon Feichter Alderman Chuck Dickson Alderman Anthony Sutton

The following staff members were present:

Rob Hites, Town Manager
Jesse Fowler, Assistant Town Manager
Eddie Ward, Town Clerk
Martha Bradley, Town Attorney
David Adams, Police Chief
Brandon Gilmore, Assistant Police Chief
Joey Webb, Fire Chief
Misty Hagood, Finance Director
Elizabeth Teague, Development Services Director
Members of the Development Services Team
Public Services Director, Jeff Stines
Assistant Public Services Director, Ricky Foster
Wastewater Treatment Superintendent, Jeff Evans
Fire Marshall, Darrell Calhoun

The following media representatives was present: Becky Johnson, Mountaineer Cory Valllancourt, Smoky Mountain News

Manager's Report

Rob Hites, Town Manager

Presentation on WWTP Project (design, bids, borrowing, grants)

The Town and McGill Associates have been working to alter the design of the Wastewater Treatment Plant to reduce the price from \$28,600,00.00, and it has been submitted to the DENR staff and received their informal

Town of Waynesville Regular Meeting April 12, 2022 approval. They have also requested the Division of Environmental Infrastructure (DEI) use their administrative discretion to increase our loan by 10% or \$1,900,000.00. In addition, they are asking the LCG to grant a further increase in the loan by an additional \$2,100,000.00. We are applying for a \$5 million grant to eliminate the need for this additional loan amount.

Manager Hites told the Board that the impact is minimal on rates with the additional \$4 million in loans. He said if the Town borrows the addition money, the rate for sewer usage would increase to \$49.95 by 2029.

A motion was made by Alderman Anthony Sutton, seconded by Alderman Chuck Dickson, to receive the presentation and approve Resolution # R-03-22 to carry out the design, loan increases and grants. The motion passed unanimously.

Manager Hites told the Board that in addition to the services that McGill and Associates are providing to write this grant, provide reporting for the grant, and carry the project through, they are requiring an amendment to their contract in the amount of \$15,000.00. The Town is also requesting a modification of the Special Order of Consent to permit us to have an addition 150 thousand gallons of flow. He explained to the Board that there is still 2.9 million gallons of capacity in the Treatment Plant.

A motion was made by Alderman Chuck Dickson, seconded by Alderman Anthony Sutton to add another \$30,000.00 to the McGill Contract for additional services provided. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Gary Caldy ell, Mayor

Eddie Ward, Town Clerk

Robert W. Hites, Jr. Town Manager

I certify as follows: that the foregoing resolution was properly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Alderman of th Town of Waynesville, North Carolina; that this meeting was properly called and held on April 12, 2022; that a quoru was present and acting throughout this meeting; and that this resolution has not been modified or amended an remains in full effect as of today. Dated this 12th day of April 2022.

[SEAL]

Eddie Ward, Town Clerk

Town of Waynesville Regular Meeting April 12, 2022



Financial Information



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North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Infrastructure Water & Sewer Financial Information Form

(revised July 2022)

Complete the following information related to your system's Enterprise Fund. If your Enterprise Funds are separate for water and sewer, *please supply sheets for the appropriate fund*.

1. Supply the required information below.

Combined System		Water System		Sewer System
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Unit Name: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Fund Name: Sewer Fund

2. Provide the following information for the past three fiscal years *for which an audit has been completed and submitted to the Local Government Commission.*

	Fiscal Years			
	2019	2020	2021	
Operating Revenues				
Customer Charges	2,809,568	2,923,464	2,960,305	
Connection Fees	33,916	89,863	101,376	
Other Revenue				
Total Operating Revenues	2,843,484	3,013,327	3,061,681	
Expenditures			4	
Administration				
Salaries				
Other	360,510	381,110	364,080	
Operations				
Salaries	1,042,232	1,080,771	1,031,180	
Other	1,197,811	1,081,030	773,545	
Total Expenditures	2,600,553	2,542,911	2,168,805	
Other (do not include depreciation)				
Debt principal				
Interest				
Capital outlay	234,426	505,321	161,536	
Capital reserve				
Transfer from (to) other funds			110,000	
Other (list):				
Total Other	234,426	505,321	51,536	
Net Income (Loss)	8,505	(34,905)	841,340	

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3. Certification. Please read and sign below.

I attest that the fiscal information provided in this form, to the best of my knowledge, is <u>accurate</u>, <u>complete</u>, <u>true</u>, and <u>matches</u> audits for the past three years. I further attest that, to the best of my knowledge, if <u>the</u> <u>Town of Waynesville</u> has made any transfers within the past three years, these transfers are shown (Local government unit) in Item #2 of this form.

FINANCE OFFICER

9-22-22

DATE

Misty Hagood

Finance Director

TYPED NAME

TYPED TITLE

Fund Transfer Certification

North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality **Division of Water Infrastructure Fund Transfer Certification** (Not needed for <u>CDBG-I</u> or <u>LASII stormwater</u> projects)



(Revised: July 2022)

§ 159G-37(b) requires that all local governments applying for funding from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, the Wastewater Reserve, the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, or the Drinking Water Reserve for water or wastewater projects certify that no funds received from water or wastewater utility operations have been transferred to the local government's general fund for the purpose of supplementing the resources of the general fund since July 1, 2014. The prohibition contained in § 159G-37(b) shall not be interpreted to include payments made to the local government to reimburse the general fund for expenses paid from that fund that are reasonably allocable to the regular and ongoing operations of the utility, including, but not limited to, rent and shared facility costs, engineering and design work, plan review, and shared personnel costs. Note: A payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) is not a disqualifying transfer so long as the PILOT reimburses these specific expenses. All other PILOTS are considered transfers.

Complete this form and have your Authorized Representative sign it. You must check a box; otherwise, the application will be considered incomplete.

Applicant's Certification:

I, as a representative of the Town of Waynesville , hereby certify that since July 1, 2014, (Local Government Unit)

funds received from the water and/or wastewater utility have: (CHOOSE ONE)

- \boxtimes not been transferred from the water and/or sewer enterprise fund to the general fund, **OR**
- been transferred from the water and/or sewer enterprise fund to the general fund AND were reasonably allocable to the regular and ongoing operations of the utility in accordance with § 159G-37(b), OR
- \Box been transferred from the water / sewer enterprise fund to the general fund via PILOT. Revenues from PILOT were used only for water / sewer utility operations.

If you don't check one of the boxes above, this form is considered incomplete, and the application will be ineligible.

Any transfers must be consistent with the information provided in the Division's Water & Sewer Financial Information Form and must be accurately reflected in the audits as reported by the Local Government Unit to the Local Government Commission since July 1, 2014.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED **REPRESENTATIVE OR FINANCIAL OFFICER**

9-22-22

DATE

Misty Hagood

Finance Director

TYPED NAME

TYPED TITLE

Priority Rating Form for Construction Projects

Priority Rating System Score Sheet for Wastewater Projects

2022 PRIORITY RATING SYSTEM for Wastewater Projects

Instructions: For each line item, mark "X" to claim the points for that line item. Be sure that your narrative includes justification for every line item claimed. At the end of each category, provide the total points claimed for each program in the subtotal row for that category. Then add the subtotals from each category and enter the Total of Points for All Categories in the last line. Note that some categories have a maximum allowed points that may be less than the total of individual line items.

Line Item #	Category 1 – Project Purpose (Points will be awarded for only one Project Purpose)	Claimed Yes/No	Points
1.A	Project will consolidate a nonviable drinking water or wastewater utility		25
1.B	Project will resolve failed or failing infrastructure issues		20
1.C	Project will rehabilitate or replace infrastructure, including replacement by a regionalization project	Yes	12
1.C.1	Treatment units, pumps and/or pump stations to be rehabilitated or replaced are greater than 20 years old, OR lines, or tanks to be rehabilitated or replaced are greater than 40 years old	Yes	8
1.D	Project will expand infrastructure		2
1.D.1	Treatment units, pumps and/or pump stations to be rehabilitated or replaced are greater than 20 years old, OR lines, storage tanks, drinking water wells or intake structures to be rehabilitated or replaced are greater than 40 years old		8
1.E	Project will provide service to disadvantaged areas		20
1.F	Reserved for other programs		
1.G	Project will provide stream/wetland/buffer restoration		10
1.G.1	Restoration project that includes restoration of a first order stream and includes stormwater infiltration SCMs		5

	2022 PRIORITY RATING SYSTEM for Wastewater Projects				
1.G.2	Restoration project that includes restoration and/or protection of riparian buffers to at least 30 feet on both sides of the stream		5		
1.H	Project will provide SCMs to treat existing sources of pollution		10		
1.H.1	Project that includes SCMs in series that achieve at least 35% nutrient reduction (both TN and TP) and 85% TSS reduction		10		
1.I	Project will provide reclaimed water/usage or rainwater harvesting/usage		10		
	Maximum points for Category 1 – Proje	ct Purpose	25		
	Subtotal claimed for Category 1 – Proje	ct Purpose	20		
Line Item #	Category 2 – Project Benefits	Claimed Yes/No	Points		
2.A – 2.B	Reserved for other programs				
2. C	Project provides a specific environmental benefit				
2.C.1	Project replaces or repairs certain sewer lines, eliminates failed onsite wastewater system or non-discharge system, or resolves managerial, technical & financial issues		15		
2.C.2	Project eliminates malfunctioning onsite wastewater systems		10		
2.D	Project addresses promulgated but not yet effective regulations		10		
2. E	Project directly addresses enforcement documents				
2.E.1	Project directly addresses an EPA Administrative Order for a local government Applicant located in a Tier 1 county, or addresses an existing or pending SOC, or a DEQ Administrative Order, OR	X	5		
2 E 2	Project directly resolves a Notice of Violation or				

	2022 PRIORITY RATING SYSTEM for Wastewater Projects			
2. F	Project includes system merger or regionalization			
2.F.1	Project includes system merger OR		10	
2.F.2	Project includes system regionalization or partnership		5	
2.G – 2.H.2	Reserved for other programs			
2.H.3	Project addresses an emerging contaminant without an MCL		10	
2.I	Project improves treated water quality by adding or upgrading a unit process	Х	3	
2.J – 2.M	Reserved for other programs			
2.N	Project provides resiliency for critical system functions			
2.N.1	Project relocates infrastructure from inside 100-year floodplain to outside 500-year floodplain OR		8	
2.N.2	Project relocates infrastructure out of a 100-year floodplain OR		5	
2.N.3	Project relocates infrastructure from between the 100- year and 500-year floodplains to outside the 500-year floodplain OR		3	
2.N.4	Project fortifies or elevates infrastructure within floodplain OR		4	
2.N.5	Project improves ability to assure continued operation during flood events OR		4	
2.N.6	Project reduces the size of infrastructure as a result of a buyout or other abrupt loss of population OR		4	
2.N.7	Project provides redundancy/resiliency for critical treatment and/or transmission/distribution system functions including cybersecurity and/or backup electrical power source.		3	

2022 PRIORITY RATING SYSTEM for Wastewater Projects			
2.0	Project directly benefits subwatersheds that are impaired as noted on the most recent version of the Integrated Report		20
2.P	Project directly benefits specific classified waters		10
2.Q	Project will result in elimination of an NPDES discharge		3
2.R	Primary purpose of the project is to achieve at least 20% reduction in energy use		5
2.S	Reserved for other programs		
	Maximum points for Category 2 – Proje	ct Benefits	35
	Subtotal claimed for Category 2 – Proje	ct Benefits	8
Line Item #	Category 3 – System Management	Claimed Yes/No	Points
3.A	Capital Planning Activities		
3.A.1	Applicant has implemented an Asset Management Plan as of the date of application OR	Х	10
3.A.2	Applicant has a current Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) that spans at least 10 years and proposed project is included in the plan		2
3.B	System Operating Ratio is greater than or equal to 1.00 based on a current audit, or is less than 1.00 and unit cost is greater than 2.5% of MHI	Х	5
3.C – 3.E	Reserved for other programs		
	Maximum points for Category 3 – System Ma	anagement	15
Subtotal claimed for Category 3 – System Management			15
Line Item #	Category 4 – Affordability	Claimed Yes/No	Points
4.A	Residential Connections		

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4.A.1	Less than 10,000 residential connections OR		2
4.A.2	Less than 5,000 residential connections OR	Х	4
4.A.3	Less than 1,000 residential connections		8
4.B	Current Monthly Combined Utility Rates at 5,000 Usage		
4.B.1	Greater than \$79 OR		4
4.B.2	Greater than \$90 OR		6
4.B.3	Greater than \$107 OR		8
4.B.4	Greater than \$129		10
4. C	Local Government Unit (LGU) Indicators		
4.C.1	3 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark OR		3
4.C.2	4 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark OR		5
4.C.3	5 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark	X	7
4.D	Project benefits disadvantaged areas		5
4.E – 4.G	Reserved for other programs		
Maximum points for Category 4 – Affordability			25
Subtotal claimed for Category 4 – Affordability			11
Total of Points for All Categories			54

Narrative

PRIORITY POINTS NARRATIVE TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE FALL 2022 CWSRF

WWTP IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (PHASE I)

Category 1: Project Purpose

(20 points of 25 points claimed)

1.C – Project Will Rehabilitate or Replace Infrastructure (12 Point)

The Town of Waynesville owns and operates a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) with a permitted capacity of 6 million gallons per day (MGD). The WWTP has aging structures and equipment, which has been impairing treatment performance. As a result, Waynesville's has had difficulties staying in compliance with its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and has received numerous violations and civil penalties for excessive fecal coliform, total suspended solids (TSS), 5-day biological oxygen demand (BOD₅), and nitrogen ammonia in effluent.

This proposed project consists of the rehabilitation/replacement of the existing treatment process, including:

- 1. Replacement of the existing headworks with a new headworks to be housed in a new structure, consisting of new mechanical fine screens, vortex grit removal, and a grit classifier.
- 2. Replacement of the primary clarifiers with primary disk filters for primary treatment
- 3. Installation of an influent pump station with four submersible solids handling pumps
- 4. Rehabilitation of the existing aeration basins, including concrete rehabilitation, and replacement of air piping and new aeration diffusers.
- 5. Installation of new blowers and new control panels to control blowers with variable frequency drives using dissolved oxygen data from aeration basins
- 6. Rehabilitation of the existing rectangular secondary clarifiers including raising the wall, new sludge removal systems, scum removal systems, and effluent troughs.
- 7. Replacement of existing return activated sludge pumps and waste activated sludge pumps.
- 8. Conversion of the existing blower building to a liquid chemical storage and feed building with storage tanks, dosing pumps and piping.
- 9. Modification of chlorine contact basins.
- 10. Construction of a non-potable effluent water reuse system to provide primary filter backwash water and plant washdown water.
- 11. Replacement of mechanical components in primary and secondary sludge thickeners.
- 12. Rehabilitation of the belt filter press, including replacement of the polymer feed system and repair of the control panel.

This project will not increase capacity. The project goal is to implement necessary improvements to bring the wastewater treatment plant into full and stable compliance with its NPDES discharge permit.

1.C.1 - Replace and Rehabilitate Aged Infrastructures Greater Than 20 Years Old (8 Points)

The majority of the Town of Waynesville's WWTP was constructed between 1975-1976. Documentation of age includes a copy of one of the original plant drawings dated November 1975. This project will be replacing components of the WWTP that qualify for aging infrastructure, as the treatment units being rehabilitated or replaced are well over 20 years old. 100% of this project construction costs are for replacing infrastructure that is aged. Photos excerpted from the 8-31-18 Medlock & Associates' Structural Conditions Assessment included in the attachments visually illustrate some of these WWTP structural issues due to excessive age of many components.

Category 2: Project Benefits

(8 points of 35 points claimed)

2.E.1 - Project Directly Addresses an Existing SOC (5 Points)

Due to the age of the plant and deterioration of equipment and structures, the ability to make adjustments in operational practice is limited. The overall facility is in marginal operational condition.

Between 2017 and 2019, 24 NOVs have been received for exceedance of effluent parameter limits.

The Town committed to developing a long-term solution to address WWTP issues. First, the Town allocated some operational and management financial resources to refurbishment of existing mechanical screen, replace missing diffusers in aeration basins, and limited surface repairs to some concrete structures. The Town has undertaken various actions to address non-compliance at the WWTP including:

- 1. Reviewed and identified alternatives for providing a treatment system capable of consistently meeting its permit limits;
- 2. Coordinated and reviewed the recommended alternative with DWR Regional and Local Office staff and incorporate input from the agency into the general WWTP Improvements Plan;
- 3. Engaged DEQ to discuss the development of a Special Order by Consent (SOC) to formalize the needed improvements at the WWTP;
- 4. Developed and submitted a SOC application; and
- 5. Proceeded with the steps necessary to accomplish the WWTP Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

A SOC was issued in December 2020 by the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission to the Town, which gave temporary relaxed effluent limits for TSS and Fecal Coliform till further corrective measurements are in place.

Although with having an SOC in place gives some operational margins when the Town is working on measurements and plans to improve the WWTP, the proposed project will ultimately address stipulated actions to bring the WWTP back to compliance and the SOC will be dismissed.

As discussed in 2.E.1, the Town has made some operational changes. However, without improvements and upgrades of existing infrastructure, the plant is not able to achieve consistent treatment performance. This project will revamp the aged and ineffective treatment units at the WWTP which will in turn allow wastewater to treat properly so that the effluent released from the WWTP will be in compliance with the effluent limits. The proposed project will lead to compliance with North Carolina General Statute in the following ways:

- 1. Improvements to the aeration basins equipment and controls will more efficiently remove BOD₅, Ammonia, and TSS in wastewater to be compliant with effluent discharge limits.
- 2. Raising the wall of existing secondary clarifiers to create additional depth for improved solids settling and separation.
- 3. Replacement of sludge removal systems in the secondary clarifiers would facilitate the sludge removal from the secondary clarifiers and provide better operational controls.

With these rehabilitation and improvements, this project will provide overall treatment reliability to ensure that the plant is in regulatory compliance.

2.1 – Project Improves treated water quality by adding or upgrading a unit process (3 Points)

The WWTP currently treats wastewater through a conventional activated sludge (suspended growth) process, consisting of influent screening to remove coarse inorganic material, grit removal, primary clarification, biological treatment, secondary clarification, and disinfection and dechlorination prior to discharge of the treated effluent. Biosolids produced by the treatment process receive primary treatment including thickening using gravity thickeners prior to dewatering. The WWTP has a permit for distribution of Class A residuals. Previously, anaerobically digested biosolids were processed by an alkaline stabilization process where lime/cement kiln dust and heat were used to produce a product which meets 503 standards for Class A biosolids. This Class A product was distributed to local farmers as a soil amendment. The anaerobic digester was taken out of service in 2019. Since 2020 all solids were disposed of in the White Oak landfill. The Town is in the process of securing funds for installation of diffusers and blowers to convert the former anaerobic digester to an aerated sludge holding tank.

As demonstrated in line item 2.E. above, the effluent levels from the WWTP are consistently reported above the allowable limits for fecal coliform, BOD₅, and TSS, and this project aims to upgrade the treatment process so that the WWTP can operate more efficiently and disposal of effluent that is within compliance limits of its NPDES permit.

In addition to the replacement/rehabilitation of many WWTP components, the WWTP upgrades will include new components that improve water quality by adding or upgrading a unit process. In particular, the installation of primary filters will provide better BOD₅ and TSS removal performance compared with primary clarifiers while occupying a significantly smaller footprint. The proposed mechanical screens are sized for 1/4" openings where the existing screen has 3/8" openings. The screening system includes a screenings compactor and handling components to make the system more user friendly. The new vortex grit removal system will have improved performance over the current outdated aerated grit removal technology. With all these improvements the plant will provide better and more consistent pollutant removal efficacy even during the high flow events. Attached is a proposed site plan.

Category 3: System Management

(15 points of 15 points claimed)

3.A.1- Asset Management Plan (10 Points)

The Town of Waynesville has adopted and implemented an Asset Management Plan, which was adopted in April 2019. The AMP incorporates all four key areas: (1) Inventory of assets; (2) Condition assessment; (3) Capital Improvement plan with projected cost estimates: and (4) Operation and maintenance plan.

Inventory of Assets

The adopted AMP includes a detailed description of the sewer system treatment and collections assets, with a map of the entire sewer system in the Appendix.

- The Town maintains one wastewater treatment plant, located along Richland Creek, where it meets Jones Cove Branch. The treatment plant was constructed in 1970s and includes the following components: influent channel with a self-cleaning screen and a manual bar screen, a grit chamber, two circular primary clarifiers, intermediate pump station with three pumps, aeration basins, two secondary rectangular clarifiers, a return/waste activated sludge pump station, a dual channel chlorine contact basin and dichlorination basin, a 600,000 gallon sludge holding tank, one primary sludge thickener, one secondary sludge thickener, belt filter press, and a lime pasteurization system. Upon treatment, wastewater is discharged to the Richland Creek. The AMP includes a schematic of the wastewater treatment plant.
- There are no sewer pump stations in the service area. All sewage flows by gravity to the WWTP though sewer collection system.
- There are approximately 547,000 LF of gravity sewer lines. The distribution of gravity main pipe sizes and materials are presented in the AMP along with estimated ages. Nearly half of the sewer lines are 8" lines, 30% are 6" lines, with the remainder mostly being between 10"-30" lines. Most of the system pipes (69%) are made from vitrified clay, with the next most common material is polyvinyl chloride at 24%. As small percentage of the pipes are made from cast iron, CIPP, or ductile iron. A majority of the system lines (over 300,000 LF) were installed in the 1940s and have not been replaced since. The next active installation decades were the 1990s and 2000s at 50,000 LF each, and the 1970s at about 45,000 LF of pipe installation.

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Condition Assessment:

In the AMP an inventory of assets is presented along with the asset's respective function, size, material, age, and condition. Assets are grouped into classes according to their type. Such categorization allows inferences to be drawn across asset classes and investment plans to be prioritized. For each asset group, subgroups can be created according to the common traits of the asset (i.e. diameter, material, etc.). The number of subgroups formed depends upon the amount of information available and the degree of detail required in the asset management process.

In addition, since different asset classes have different useful lives, it is essential to define asset life categories to allow appropriate transparency to be achieved, especially related to the Town's asset depreciation policy. Appropriate categorizations are: Very Short, Short, Medium, Long and Very Long,

defined as follows:

- Very Short asset lives are up to 5 years. Computers, hot water washers, and flow meters are
- examples of assets that have very short lives.
- Short asset lives range from 6 to 15 years. Scales, backhoes, vehicles, and rollers have short
- lives.
- Medium asset lives are from 16 to 30 years long. Assets with medium lives generally are mechanical assets such as pumps, process plants, filter bed media, screens, and scrubbers.
- Long asset lives are between 31 and 50 years long. Assets that have long lives are generally mechanical assets such as filter bed structures, steel storage tanks, some buildings, and some treatment works.
- Very Long asset lives are typically more than 50 years. Long-lived assets are generally operational structures such as spillways, lines, and some treatment works.

This assessment is based on age and materials and current condition from records and operator Knowledge. Based on condition ratings a rehabilitation/replacement priority list was created and incorporated in the capital improvement plan and as actions in the operations and maintenance plan.

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) with Projected Cost Estimates (Updated)

The Town of Waynesville has a current Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) that spans 10-years. This CIP was adopted as part of the budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 at the monthly Town Council Meeting on April 2022. The CIP matrix, which is prioritized by Year of Implementation and is based on the actual system inventory and assessment completed in the first two components of the AMP, is attached showing the proposed project in FY 2023-2032.

Operation And Maintenance Plan

The Town of Waynesville maintains all manufacturer and system component operation and maintenance (O&M) manuals. To ensure assets are maintained and managed effectively and efficiently the Town of Waynesville has adopted an O&M Plan as part of this AMP. The O&M Plan consists of preventive, which implements the manufacturer recommended O&M activities at the recommended intervals and emergency/reactive maintenance. The Town maintains logbooks to document O&M activities completed for all relevant equipment within the collection and treatment systems. The O&M plan, coupled by the maintenance history logs, allow the Town to project and schedule required annual O&M activities.

A copy of the Town's Wastewater Asset Management Plan is provided in Appendix B of the Supporting Documentation. A copy of the Council meeting minutes adopting the AMP is included in the documentation.

3.B – Operating Ratio (5 Points)

The most recent audit year for Town of Hot Springs is the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The Town has a combined water and sewer fund; therefore, the calculations in this section are combined as well.

From Water and Sewer Fund Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for FY 2021: (Included with Supporting Documents)

Operating Expenditures	\$2,168,805
Debt Principal	\$0
Interest	\$0
Capital Outlay	\$161,536
Total Expenses	\$2,330,341
Operating Revenues	\$3,061,681
Operating Ratio (Revenue / Expenses)	1.31

Category 4: Affordability

(11 of 25 Points claimed)

4.A.2.- Less than 5,000 residential connections (4 Points)

The Town of Waynesville has 4,261 residential sewer connections and is claiming 4 points for this line item.

4.C.1 - 5 out of 5 LGU indicators worse than state benchmark (5 Points)

4.C.1. LGU Indicators Worse Than the State Benchmarks

The Town of Waynesville has 5/5 economic indicators worse than the state benchmarks and is claiming 5 points for this line item.

Economic Indicator	Data	Worse Than State Benchmark?
Population Change	4.48%	Yes
Poverty Rate	14	Yes
Median Household Income	\$56,642	Yes
Unemployment	7.1	Yes
Calculated Prop. Val. per Capita	\$125,015	Yes

Current Rates Sheets
Town of Waynesville 2022 - 2023 Fee Schedule

Effective July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

GENERAL FUND	
Utility Accounts	
New Account Fee	\$25.00
Reconnection Fee	\$50.00
After Hours	\$100.00
Return Check Fee (Insufficient Funds)	\$25.00
Theft investigation charge (meter tampering)	\$ 75.00 per occurrence
Fire Protection Charges (per month, per meter)	
Residential	\$8.00
Commercial	\$12.80
Mobile Home Parks	\$8.00
Motels, Hotels, Cottages	\$ 3.20 per unit, \$160 maximum
designated as a fire district subject to a tax imposed by Haywood County. A f with the Town of Waynesville. Should a fire protection contract be executed collected by Haywood County will be remitted to the Town of Waynesville in above.	with the Town of Waynesville, the tax lieu of the per month charges stated
Miscellaneous	
Copies - Black and White, per page	\$0.10
Copies - Color, per page	\$0.20
Copies- 24"-48"plot map copy - Black and White, per page	\$3.00
Copies- 24"-48" plot map - Color, per page	\$10.00
Weed, Brush Removal, or Mowing	\$150.00 for the first hour
Each Additional Hour	\$100.00/hour
SANITATION & SOLID WASTE COLLECTION (monthly fees)	
Residential Garbage (1 weekly pickup)	\$10.00

Commercial Garbage (1 weekly pickup)

Dumpster Lease and Dumpster Collection Services no longer offered as of July 1, 2021.

CEMETERY	
Call Out (weekends, holidays, outside normal operating hours)	\$200.00
John Taylor and Shook Survey Sections	
Traditional Burial Space	\$1,500.00
(\$1,000 to perpetual care fund/\$500 to General Fund)	
Columbarium Area	
Columbarium Niche	\$1,500.00
(\$1,000 to perpetual care fund/\$500 to General Fund, includes partial engraving of do	or.)
Opening/Closing of Columbarium Niche	\$200.00
(Includes completion of engraving of granite door, Town staff removing & replacing do	por.)
In Ground Space for Cremations (Urn Garden)	\$1,000.00
(\$600 to perpetual care fund/\$200 to General Fund/ \$200 for flat granite stone)	
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Urn Garden (in-ground inurnment) includes excavating and filling burial space by Town personnel, placement and engraving of granite marker to include the addition of date of death.

\$22.97

POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Police Reports (per report)	\$2.00
Off Duty Security (4 hour minimum)	\$25.00 per hour
Parking Violations	
Overtime Parking	\$5.00
Parking in Restricted Area	\$10.00
Double Parking	\$10.00
Parking in Handicapped Space	\$100.00
Parking in Prohibited Area	\$10.00
Parking Too Close to Intersection	\$10.00
Parking in Wrong Direction	\$10.00
Parking in Alley Way	\$10.00
Obstructing Traffic Lane	\$10.00
Improper Parking	\$10.00
Parking in Loading Area	\$10.00
Parking in No Parking Zone	\$10.00
Parking in Fire Zone	\$50.00
Parking Too Close to Fire Hydrant	\$10.00
Parking Too Close to Stop Sign	\$10.00
Parking Across Lines	\$10.00
Parking in Crosswalk	\$10.00
Blocking Private Driveway	\$10.00
Persons violating parking regulations shall be subject to the above sch	edule of civil penalties to be
recovered by the Town of Waynesville in civil action.	
DOWNTOWN MSD	
Festival Vendor Fees	
Booth Space	\$140.00
Double Booth Space	\$255.00
Commercial Food Vendor Booth Space	\$185.00
Commercial Food Vendor Double Booth Space	\$295.00
Non-profit Food Vendor Booth Space	\$125.00
Non-profit Food Vendor Double Booth Space	\$190.00
Parade Entry Fees	
Non-profit vehicle/float	\$25.00
Commercial vehicle/float	\$40.00
Business Licenses	
Schedule B (State Regulated)	
Maximum penalty is 25% of the privilege license tax due	
Penalties are automatic, and may be recovered using the same collect	ion methods available for the
collection of privilege license taxes.	

PLANNING DEPARTMENT	
Planning & Zoning Permits	
Stand alone Land Dev Permit or Zoning Verification Letter	\$25.00
Certificate of LDS Compliance Zoning Verification/Zoning Letter	\$25.00
Temporary Use Permit other than mobile food vendors	No charge
Temporary Use Permit for mobile food vendors	\$50.00
Land Disturbing Permit	\$25.00
Local Land Disturbing Permit (1000 sf < 1 acre)	\$75.00
Floodplain Development Permit	\$25.00
Operating without a Land Disturbance, Zoning or Occupancy Permit	\$200.00
Minor Site Plan Review	
Single family or duplex residence	\$25.00
Multi-family with less than 8 units	\$100.00
Non-residential development or expansion up to 1,000 sq ft	\$100.00
Bed and Breakfast or Inns	\$100.00
Major Site Plan Review	
	\$100.00 for up to 8 units and
Multi-family residential	\$20/unit greater than 8
Non-residential development or expansion over 1,000 sq ft	\$200.00
Hotel/Motel	\$400.00
Subdivision (Minor)	\$50 + \$10/lot
Subdivision (Major)	\$200 + \$10/lot
Stormwater Review Fee	
	\$750 + engineering review fee
≤ 3 acres	minimum \$200
	\$1200 + engineering review fee
> 3 acres	minimum \$200
Monopole Wireless Communications Tower	\$1,000.00
First Layer Parking Increase	\$500.00
All Others, in addition to site plan review fees	\$200.00
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Local Landmark Designation	\$200.00
Designation of Historic District	\$200.00
Certificate of Appropriateness (Minor)	
Certificate of Appropriateness (Maior)	\$25.00
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Board of Adjustment	
Appeal of Administrative Decision	\$250.00
Variance Request	\$250.00
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Text Amendment	\$500.00
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Map Amendment (Rezoning)	
1 acre or less	\$500.00
Each additional a	re \$50.00
Conditional District - 1 acre or less	\$500.00
Each additional a	re \$100.00
Vested Right	\$200.00
Sign Permits	\$4.00 per sq. ft \$40 min.
Voluntary Annexation	\$200.00

Inspections	
New Single Family Dwelling/Single Family Additions (Crawl Space or S	Slab on Grade)
0 to 1,000 square feet	\$.40 per sq. ft.
1,001 to 1,500 square feet	\$.45 per sq. ft.
1,501 to 2,000 square feet	\$.50 per sq. ft.
	\$.50 per sq. ft. and \$50.00 for each
Over 2,000 square feet	increase of 500 sq. ft.
Minimum	\$75.00 per trade
Unfinished Basement	\$100.00
Attached Garage	\$75.00
Homeowners Recovery Fund (per G.S. 87-15.6)	\$10.00
Single Family Alterations	
SQUARE FOOTAGE	
0-1000	\$.25 per sq. ft minimum \$75.00
1001 - 1500	\$.25 per sq. ft.
1501 - 2000	\$.25 per sq. ft.
2001 - 2500	\$.25 per sq. ft.
2501 - 3000	\$.25 per sq. ft.
3001-up	\$.25 per sq. ft. and \$50.00 for each
	increase of 500 sq. ft.
Deck Permit	
Uncovered Deck	\$100.00
	additional trades are \$75 per trade
Covered Deck	\$150.00
	additional trades are \$75 per trade
Modular Home	\$100 00

Modular Home	\$400.00
Manufactured Homes	
Single wide	\$200.00
Double wide	\$300.00
Triple wide	\$400.00
(Deck permit required over 35 sq. ft. of deck)	
Accessory Building (does not include trades)	

Includes Electric, Plumbing and A/C	\$75.00 each and \$.40 per sq. ft.
Miscellaneous Residential & Commercial	
Electric Service Change	\$75.00
Demolition permit	\$100.00
HVAC changeout	\$75.00
Gas Line	\$75.00
Water/Sewer line Replacement	\$75.00
Retaining wall	\$100.00
Swimming Pool	\$150.00
Permit renewal fee	\$50.00
Plumbing, electric, and mechanical not covered elsewhere	
(\$75.00 minimum charge per trade)	\$75.00 per trade
Other Permits and Fees	
Day Care & Home Care	\$75.00
ABC Inspection	\$200.00
Driveway Permit	\$150.00
Solar Panel	\$150.00
Starting construction without permit	Double the Permit Fee
Residential Re-roof	\$0.00
Commercial Re-roof	\$100.00
Occupancy Use	\$75.00
Plan Review - Commercial	\$.05 per sq ft
Fire Sprinkler and Fire Alarm Plan Review	\$150.00
Fire Sprinkler and Fire Alarm Dermit Fee	
at time of application and part of the approved plans	\$150.00
Special Events Dermit	\$130.00 \$50.00
	\$50.00 \$50.00
Additional / Rollnsnostion (oach) after first fail	\$50.00
Additional / Re-inspection (each) after first fail	\$50.00 \$50.00
Pre-permit inspection (walk through commercial)	\$50.00
Commercial Building	
	\$ 50/ca.ft
Minimum	\$.50/34.11.
Minimum	\$75.00 per trade

RECREATION DEPARTMENT												
Recreation Center			Ad	Imission						Memb	erships	
Category		Daily	6	5 Visits	1:	2 Visits	1	Month	3	Months	6 Months	Yearly
Family of 4**	\$	20.00	\$	87.00	\$	161.00	\$	79.00	\$	195.00	\$ 376.00	\$ 726.00
(Additional family members are \$12.70	0 pe	er month)									
Family of 2**	\$	11.00	\$	47.00	\$	80.00	\$	65.00	\$	156.00	\$ 297.00	\$ 568.00
Individual Adult (18 - 59 yrs)	\$	8.00	\$	37.00	\$	59.00	\$	52.00	\$	116.00	\$ 218.00	\$ 409.00
Individual Child (5 - 11 yrs)	\$	4.00	\$	19.00	\$	24.00	\$	34.00	\$	64.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 198.00
	<u> </u>						<u> </u>					
Individual Youth (12 - 17 yrs)	\$	6.00	\$	24.00	\$	34.00	\$	39.00	\$	76.00	\$139.00	\$ 251.00
OR Full-Time Student (College or Hi	igh	School)	wit	h valid II	D) C	JR Specia	al (S	Senior Ci	tize	en (60 + y	/rs) OR Hand	dicapped)
Individual Spectator (5-99 yrs)	\$	2.00										
Children (0 - 4 yrs)								\$1.00				
Corporate Membership Rate (avail	abl	le to bus	ine	sses witł	h fiv	/e (5) or	mo	re emple	oye	es as me	mbers)	
If total Corporate Membership drop	ps ł	below th	e 5	employ	ee r	minimun	n, a	30 day (grad	ce period	l is allowed '	to obtain a
5th member. Proof of business may	y be	e require	ed t	<u>o obtain</u>	thi	s rate.						
Category		Daily	6	5 Visits	12	2 Visits	1	Month	3	Months	6 Months	Yearly
Family of 4**				N/A			\$	64.00	\$	156.00	\$ 301.00	\$ 576.00
(Additional family members are \$10.40	0 pe	er month)									
Family of 2**				N/A			\$	52.00		\$124.00	\$ 237.00	\$ 449.00
Individual Adult (18 - 59 yrs)				N/A			\$	42.00	\$	84.00	\$ 173.00	\$ 320.00
Individual Youth (12 - 17 yrs)	_			N/A			\$	31.00	\$	62.00	\$110.00	\$ 193.00
OR Full-Time Student (College or Hi	igh	School)	wit	h valid I	D) C	JR Speci	al (S	Senior Ci	tize	en (60 + y	rs) OR Hand	dicapped)
Individual Spectator (5-99 yrs)	\$	2.00									<u></u>	<u> </u>
Children (0 - 4 yrs)								FREE				
Memberships (Regular and Corpor	rate	e)										
1 Month memberships expire one more	nth	from dat	e of	f purchas	e.							
1 and 3 Month memberships must be	pai	d in full.		•								
Consecutive monthly payment options	s are	e availabl	le fo	or 6 Mont	th ar	nd 12 Mc	onth	Member	rshi	ps. If a me	ember fails to	כ make the
required payments, any future member	ersh	ips must	be	paid in fu	io IIL	r pay 1 m	nont	th in full f	the	n can go b	back to regula	ar
payments.												
Admission Passes												
Daily, 6 Visit and 12 Visit passes are no	ot co	onsiderec	ի ան	embershi	ips.	1						
12 visit passes expire one calendar yea	ar fr	rom date	of ŗ	ourchase.								
6 visit passes expire 6 months from da	te c	of purcha	se.									
Family: an individual, spouse, or de	epe	endent c	hild	Iren that	car	n be clai	mer	d on tax	es. S	Step-chile	dren and ad	lopted
children qualify. Court documentat	ion	is requi	red	to inclu	de f	foster ch	nildr	ren on a	fan	nilv mem	bership. Ar	ivone age
25 or over (other than parents), en	gag	red coup	les	couples	s livi	ing toge	the	r older :	sibli	ings. aun	ts. cousins.	or
grandchildren DO NOT qualify for t	he	family ra	ate.		,	10.00	••••) =		100, 22	,	51
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Group Rate (Daily visit for groups of 15 or more non-members. Available only with	n advance notice.)
Individual Adult (18 - 59 yrs)	\$7.00
Individual Child (5 - 11 yrs)	\$3.00
Individual Youth (12 - 17 yrs)	\$5.00
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Recreation Center Rental Rates	
Multi-purpose Rooms	
*Rates are Based on Two Hour Minimum	
1 Room	\$52.00
Kitchen + 1 Room	\$135.00
Kitchen + 2 Rooms	\$200.00
If utilizing for more than two hours (i.e. 3 hours or more) will be charged for an ad	ditional block of time.
Gymnasium (Capacity 709) (10 am - 12 noon; 1 - 3 pm; 4 - 6 pm) - applicable to c	operating hours
Entire Gym	\$140.00
1/2 of the Gym	\$70.00
Volleyball Setup	No Charge
Athletic Programs	
Softball Field Rental	
All day	\$115.00
Night only	\$55.00
Other Fees and Charges	
Bleacher Rental (5 row, for 24 hours)	\$40.00
Shelter Rental (8 am - 12 noon; 1 - 5 pm)	\$50.00
Child Care	
Members	No Charge
Non-Members	\$7.00 / hour
Rental of greenspace - no shelter	\$50.00 min or \$2.00 per person
Old Armory	
Daily Admission	\$2.00
Current Recreation Center members	No Charge
Individuals ages 17 and under, 60 and above, special needs, or involved with a	
program at the Armory	No Charge
Base Camp on the Go Festival Fees (2 hour minimum)	
Up to 50 participants	\$100 per hour
51 to 100 participants	\$200 per hour
101 plus participants	\$250 per hour
Refundable damage deposit	\$250.00
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* Renter responsible for additional fees if crowd exceeds the anticipated number	

Water Fund		
Water Rates		
	Inside	Outside
Bulk Sales (contract)	\$1.57/100 cf.	\$2.69/100 cf.
Industrial Sales	\$1.63/100 cf.	\$2.82/100 cf.
Retail Sales (Residential and Commercial)		
(Base Charge) 0-275 cubic foot	\$16.66	\$30.04
> 275 cubic foot	\$1.82/100 cf.	\$3.24/100 cf.
Irrigation Only Meter	Inside	Outside
(Base Charge) 0-275 cubic foot	\$16.66	\$30.04
> 275 cubic foot	\$2.74/100 cf.	\$4.03/100 cf.
Pump Fee (per pump)	\$7.39	\$11.54
Sales From Fire Hydrant		\$.02401/gallon
Illegal Hydrant Connection/Use		\$75.00
Barber's Orchard Water System		
	3/4" meter	\$5.00 + Town outside rate
	1" meter	\$10.00 + Town outside rate
	1 - 1/2" meter	\$50.00 + Town outside rate
Maggie Valley Sanitary District		
(0 - 10,000 gallons	\$2,874.94
All over 10,000 gallor	ns (per 1,000 gal.)	\$11.75/1,000 gal.
Fire Line Connection (monthly)	Inside	Outside
<2 inch	\$2.92	\$6.57
<4 inch	\$11.66	\$26.24
<6 inch	\$23.39	\$52.61
>6 inch	\$40.95	\$91.10
	Inside	Outside
Deposits		_
(tenant-occupied accounts only)	\$40.00	\$60.00
Refund, transfer and application of deposit policies are the same as for e	lectric deposits.	
Late Payment Penalty (applied to any arrears balance)		1.0% per month
Reconnection Fee		\$50.00
Reconnection Fee After 4 PM or on Weekends		\$100.00
Tampering Fee		
First offense		\$200.00
Second offense (or if service is disconnected)		\$500.00
Third offense (meter will be removed)		Full cost of tap and connection fee
Meter Testing Fee (reimbursable if beyond 2.5% off)		\$75.00

		\$200.00 plus cost of specialized		
Meter Relocation Fee		equipment, if necessary		
Water Tap		4		
Residential (5/8" x 3/4")		\$1,250.00		
Special (3/4" x 3/4")		\$1,375.00		
1"		\$1,562.00		
1 1/2"		\$2,125.00		
2"		\$3,125.00		
Greater than 2"	2" \$1,300 + Costs			
Water Capacity Fees - effective July 1, 2018		<u> </u>		
Per gallon per day		\$2.62		
Residential Water and	Sewer Capacity Fe	es are capped at \$100,000 combined		
dated March, 2018 and titled "Cost-Justified Water an Report". flow rates will be per the North Carolina Administrati	ds Wastewater S	ystem Development Fees *Equivalent		
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Industrial User Permits	Inside	Outside
Annual Fee	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Application Fee	\$200.00	\$400.00

Hauled Wastewater					
		\$0.0342/gallon			
Septic Tan	k (domestic only)	\$49.30 minimum			
		\$0.0342/gallon			
Industrial Wast	te (non-domestic)	\$99.02 minimum			
		\$0.06903/gallon			
Industrial Was	te (out of county)	\$148.78 minimum			
All unit prices are applied to tanker capacity without regard to fill percer	ntage				
Grease Blockage		\$250.00/minimum on callout			
Sewer Tap					
4"		\$1,250.00			
6" and larger		\$1,562.00			
Sewer Capacity Fee - effective July 1, 2018					
Per Gallon per Day		\$3.05			
Residential Water and S	Sewer Capacity Fee	es are capped at \$100,000 combined			

In addition to the tap fee, new connections to the sewage system of the Town of Waynesville shall pay a sewer capacity fee based on wastewater design flow rate determined from the table of minimum allowable design daily flow in 15A NCAC, 02T.0114 of the Environmental Management regulations contained in the North Carolina Administrative Code.

For the tributary sewer systems of Junaluska Sanitary District, Town of Clyde or Maggie Valley, wastewater flow allocation letters will be charged the sewer capacity fee at the outside rate. Lake Junaluska Assembly will be charged the sewer capacity fee for flow allocation letters at the inside rate (in consideration of their participation between 1942 and 1990 in the costs of sewer trunk and treatment plant facilities). The minimum flow rate is 240 GPD.

It is the policy of the Town of Waynesville to establish a schedule of "System Development Fees in accordance with Article 8 of Chapter 162 of the North Carolina General Statutes. The fees are intended to defray the cost of the water and sewer infrastructure as calculated in a report by McGill Associates dated March, 2018 and titled "Cost-Justified Water ands Wastewater System Development Fees Report". *Equivalent flow rates will be per the North Carolina Administrative Code 15A: NCAC 18C.0409 and NCAC 02T.0114 (Authority NCGS 130A-315; 103A-317)

Electric Fund Electric Rates

Waynesville's electric rates are reviewed and adjusted monthly based on power costs billed by town's supplier for wholesale rates. Monthly reviews will determine fuel adjustments to be added to based rates shown below.

All electric sales are subject to a 7% sales tax imposed by the State of North Carolina, with the exception of electric sales to the State of North Carolina or United States government, which are exempt from the sales tax.

Residential & Commercial fuel adjustment added to base rate as of January 1, 2018 is \$ 0.00000 per kWh.

Late Payment Penalty (applied to any arrears balance)

Residential	
Base Charge	\$13.86
All kWh(s)	\$0.11795/kWh
Residential Solar (Accounts established prior to 4/26/22)	
Base Charge	\$40.13
All kWh(s)	\$0.068796/kWh
Net Meter Residential Solar Rate Rider (20kW Max. Sized to Existing Consum	nption)
Base Charge in addition to residential base rate	\$10.00
Residentail Rate	\$0.11795/kWh
Solar Power Credit	\$.0125 less than residential rate
Commercial, Single Phase (No Demand)	
Base Charge	\$13.86
1 - 700 kWh	\$0.139130/kWh
701 - 4,000 kWh	\$0.111717/kWh
All over 4,000 kWh	\$0.106731/kWh
Commercial, Three Phase (No Demand)	
Base Charge	\$21.36
1 - 700 kWh	\$0.139130/kWh
701 - 4,000 kWh	\$0.111717/kWh
All over 4,000 kWh	\$0.106731/kWh
Net Metering Commercial Solar Rate Rider (150 kW max. Sized to Existing Cons	umption)
Base Charge in addition to commercial base rate	\$10.00
1 - 700 kWh	\$0.139130/kWh
701 - 4,000 kWh	\$0.111717/kWh
All over 4,000 kWh	\$0.106731/kWh
Solar Power Credit	\$0.08
Net Metering Governmental Solar Rate Rider (150 kW max. Sized to Existing Co	onsumption)
Base Charge in addition to commercial base rate	\$10.00
1 - 700 kWh	\$0.139130/kWh
701 - 4,000 kWh	\$0.111717/kWh
All over 4,000 kWh	\$0.106731/kWh
Solar Power Credit	\$0.08
Demand Accounts	
Demand meters are placed on all commercial accounts with an actual or anticipated i	12 month average consumption of at

Demand meters are placed on all commercial accounts with an actual or anticipated 12 month average consumption of at least 5,000 kWh per month.

Accounts will be removed from demand service rates when the calendar year average declines below a 5,000 kWh per month average or the nature of the operation is changed to the extent that the average consumption will be less than 5,000 kWh per month.

Three Phase	
Base Charge	\$15.90
Usage	\$0.081811/kWh
Single Phase	
Base Charge	\$13.86
Usage	\$0.081811/kWh
In addition to the kilowatt hours charges, peak metered demand is billed at s demand per month.	\$7.4639 per kilowatt of peak
Industrial Accounts	
Industrial rates are used on all industrial accounts with an actual or anticipated 12 r 1,500,000 kWh per month.	month average consumption of at least
Industrial fuel adjustment added to base rate as of January 1, 2018 is \$ 0.00000 per	kWh.
Three Phase	
Base Charge	\$15.90
Usage	\$0.060128/kWh
In addition to the kilowatt hours charges, peak metered demand is billed at sper month.	\$15.92 per kilowatt of peak demand
Renewable Energy and Efficiency Portfolio Standards (REPS)	
supply of alternative energy resources, with 3% of their total supply coming from re renewable by 2021. Utility companies are charging their customers to recover the c purchase. In turn the Town is passing along these costs to its customers. These cha our power supplier.	newable by 2013 and 12% from ost of the renewable energy they rges (REPS) are set each December by
Residential	\$0.56
Commercial	\$4.50
Industrial	\$35.00
Deposits (tenant-occupied accounts only)	
Residential (with Electric Heat)	\$170.00
Residential (without Electric Heat)	\$120.00
Commercial	\$200.00
Deposits may be refunded at customer request if the most recent twelve months of payment penalty has been added. Deposits available at termination of service are a any excess deposit is refunded to customer. Deposits may be transferred to a new account when customer is moving if the curre at the current location will be transferred to the new location if not paid in full with	billings have been paid before a late- pplied to unpaid utility balances and ent account is paid in full. The final bill in thirty (30) days of billing.
Area Lighting Fixture	
30 to 140 LED/Sodium Vapor, 100w/ 9,500 lumen Semi-Enclosed	\$12.00
150 to 215 LED/Sodium Vapor, 400w/50,000 lumen Enclosed	\$25.00
220 to 280 LED/Metal Halide, 400w/40,000 lumen Flood	\$40.00
Lighting Fixtures (no longer available to new customers)	
Sodium Vapor, 150w/16,000 lumen Semi-Enclosed	\$14.00
Sodium Vapor, 400w/50,000 lumen Flood	\$28.00

Mercury, 175w/ 7,000 lumen Semi-Enclosed	\$10.00
Special Area Lighting Pole	
If other than distribution pole, add monthly charge per pole	
Wood	\$4.00
Or, a one-time pole charge	\$200.00
Underground service for area lighting	
Monthly	\$3.62
Or a one-time charge	\$181.00
Underground Service for New Homes (Up to 4/0 wire)	
0 - 100 feet of wire from pole to house	\$200.00
All wire over 100 feet	\$2.00/ft.
Underground Service for Existing Homes That Change from Overhead (Up t	o 4/0 wire)
Opening and Closing of Ditch	\$70.00/hr
All wire	\$2.00/ft.
2 Dhace Understand Complex	
3 Phase Underground Service	ć2.00/#
4/0 wire	\$2.00/ft.
500 mcm	\$2.50/1L
Opening and Closing of Ditch	\$3.93/11. \$70.00/br
	\$70.00711
If a customer digs his own ditch, the ditch must meet electrical code before t	he Town will put wire into the ditch
Reconnection Fee	\$50.00
Reconnection Fee After 4 PM or on Weekends	\$100.00
Broken Seal on Electric Meter	\$50.00
Tampering Fee	
First offense	\$200.00
Second offense (or if service is disconnected)	\$500.00
Third offense (meter will be removed	Full cost of tap and connection fee
Meter Testing Fee (reimbursable if beyond 2.5% off)	\$75.00
	\$200.00 plus cost of specialized
	equipment, if nec

Supporting Documents

- Project Map
- Documents Showing Greater Than 20 and 40-Year Equipment and Facilities
- Asset Management Plan and Capital Improvement Plan
- **o** SOC and Documentation of NPDES Permit Violations
- **o** System Operations Ratio Calculations
- **o** Monthly Water and Sewer Rate Calculations
- LGU Indicators Worksheet

Project Map



Documents Showing Greater Than 20 and 40-Year Equipment and Facilities



FIGURES



Figure 1. Waynesville wastewater treatment plant.



Figure 2. Concrete at primary clarifier is stained but in generally good condition.



Figure 3. Annular drainage trough at primary clarifier.



Figure 4. Typical crack at primary clarifier. Red arrow indicates metal form tie.



Figure 5. Crack at primary clarifier with minor leakage.



Figure 6. Spalled concrete coincident with leaking crack at primary clarifier.



Figure 7. Severely delaminated concrete at base of primary clarifier.



Figure 8. Aeration basin. Walkway (red arrow) tops interior wall that separates chambers. Horizontal braces (yellow arrow) provide lateral stability to walls.



Figure 9. Concrete at aeration basin is in generally good condition.



Figure 10. Typical cracks with efflorescence at north perimeter wall of aeration basin



Figure 11. Minor flexural crack and delaminating concrete at horizontal brace.



Figure 12. Freeze-thaw cracking at guardrail post penetration.



Figure 13. Localized delaminations and spalling at aeration basin walkway.



Figure 14. Widespread spalling and raveling of concrete at aeration basin walkway.



Figure 15. Cracks with efflorescence and corrosion staining at digester.



Figure 16. Sludge thickener structures. Concrete is in generally good condition.



Figure 17. Leaking pipe at north-most sludge thickener.

Capital Improvements Plan

	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	CURRENT 2022	YEA	R 1 2023	YE	AR 2 2024	YEAR 3 2025		YEAR 4 2026	YEAR 5 2027	YEAR 6 2028	YEAR 7 2029	YEAR 8 2030	YEAR 9 2031	YEAR 10 2032
EQUIPMENT															
TOOLS - MAINTENANCE	\$ 200,000				\$	50,000	\$ 50,00	00		\$ 15,000	\$ 35,000				
TOOLS - TREATMENT	\$ 210,000		\$	10,000	\$	20,000	\$ 20,00	00	\$ 15,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 10,000
EQUIPMENT	\$ 880,000		\$	250,000	\$	20,000				\$ 80,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 30,000		
VEHICLES	\$ 630,000				\$	70,000	\$ 110,00	00	\$ 40,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 130,000	\$ 120,000			
LINE REPLACEMENTS															
MISCELLANEOUS REPLACEMENTS	\$ 1,474,250		\$	127,000	\$	127,000	\$ 126,95	50	\$ 128,500	\$ 130,000	\$ 130,000	\$ 130,000	\$ 104,800	\$ 130,000	\$ 130,000
INFILTRATION/INFLOW IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 2,531,700		\$	190,000	\$	190,000	\$ 190,00	00	\$ 195,000	\$ 195,000	\$ 195,000	\$ 247,200	\$ 226,600	\$ 176,700	\$ 172,700
SOUTH WAYNESVILLE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM															
IMPROVEMENTS			\$	-	\$	2,000,000	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS															
WWTP PLANT UPGRADE/REPLACEMENT (PHASE 1)	\$ 29,723,150		\$ 28	8 <mark>,965,200</mark>											
WWTP PLANT UPGRADE (PHASE 2)	\$ 9,522,340														
WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS SUBTOTAL	\$ 45,171,440	\$ -	\$ 29	,542,200	\$	2,477,000	\$ 496,95	50	\$ 378,500	\$ 530,000	\$ 530,000	\$ 592,200	\$ 376,400	\$ 331,700	\$ 312,700

RESOLUTION NO. R-07-22

RESOLUTION BY THE WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

- WHEREAS, The Town of Waynesville has a current Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Sewer Enterprise Fund that spans 10-years, and
- WHEREAS, The Town of Waynesville held a Meeting of the Board of Aldermen on April 26, 2022, to present the 10-Year Sewer CIP, and
- WHEREAS, An application for funding submitted to the North Carolina Department of Environment Quality (DEQ) Division of Water Infrastructure (DWI) may earn points if the Applicant has a CIP adopted by the Town Council within two years of the application date.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN:

That Town of Waynesville does hereby adopt the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as updated for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget, as presented at the April 26, 2022, Town Council Meeting.

Adopted this the 26th day of April 2022 at Waynesville, North Carolina.

Robert W. Hites Jr. Town Manager

Gary Caldwell, Mayor

CERTIFICATION BY RECORDING OFFICER

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Town Clerk of the Town of Waynesville does hereby certify: That the above/attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution authorizing the adoption of the 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan, as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Waynesville duly held on the 26th day of April , 2022; and, further, that such resolution has been fully recorded in the journal of proceedings and records in my office. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of Monil 2022.

Signature

Town Clerk, Eddie Ward



MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERIMEN Regular Meeting April 26, 2022

THE WAYNESVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN held a regular meeting on Tuesday April 26, 2022, at 6:00 pm. in the Town Hall Board Room located at 9 South Main Street Waynesville, NC.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gary Caldwell called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm with the following members present: Mayor Gary Caldwell Mayor Pro Tem Julia Freeman

Alderman Jon Feichter Alderman Chuck Dickson Alderman Anthony Sutton

The following staff members were present:

Rob Hites, Town Manager Jesse Fowler, Assistant Town Manager Eddie Ward, Town Clerk Martha Bradley, Town Attorney Police Chief David Adams Assistant Police Chief Brandon Gilmore **Development Services Director, Elizabeth Teague** Byron Hickox, Land Use Administrator Olga Grooman, Planner David Kelley, Chief Building Inspector Tom Maguire, Building Inspector Sam Cullen, Code Enforcement Jeff Stines, Public Services Director Fire Chief Joey Webb Assistant Police Chief, Chris Mehaffey Misty Hagood, Finance Director The following media representative was present: Becky Johnson, Mountaineer

Cory Vailliancort, Smoky Mountain News

Updated Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for Wastewater Treatment Plant and Inflow/Infiltration program.

Rob Hites Town Manager

Town of Waynesville Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting April 26, 2022 Town Manager Rob Hites explained to the Board that the Town plans to apply for \$15 million dollars in grant funds through the State's ARP program. The application deadline for the grant is May 2, 2022. As a requirement of the grant application is to provide a recent update of the Capital Improvement Plan for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, and the Collection System (inflow/infiltration). Public Services Director Jeff Stines has been working with Keith Webb of McGill Associates and they have completed a CIP that states our current needs.

Manager Hites gave details of the updated CIP and asked the Board to Approve Resolution R-05-22 for the intention to request grant assistant for the project and R-07-22 to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan as updated for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget.

A motion was made by Alderman Anthony Sutton, seconded by Alderman Chuck Dickson to approve Resolution # R-07-22 adopting a Capital Improvement Plan for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Alderman Anthony Sutton, seconded by Alderman Chuck Dickson, to approve Resolution # R-05-22 to approve an additional \$233,100.00 in services to address design and plant performance issues required by the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality's Divisions of Environmental Infrastructure and Environmental Quality. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Robert W. Hites, Town Manager

Eddie Ward, Town Clerk

vell, Mayor

I certify as follows: that the foregoing resolution was properly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Alderman of the Town of Waynesville, North Carolina; that this meeting was properly called and held on April 26, 2022; that a quorum was present and acting throughout this meeting; and that this resolution has not been modified or amended and remains in full effect as of today. Dated this 26th day of April 2022.

[SEAL]

Eddie Ward, Town Clerk

Town of Waynesville Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting April 26, 2022



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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of an asset management plan is to present a strategy for operating and maintaining key assets in a sustainable and cost-effective manner so that the Town continues to provide the appropriate and required level of service for current and future users. This wastewater asset management plan for Waynesville achieves several purposes as listed below:

- It provides a description of components of the sewer system.
- It estimates the value of the sewer system assets.
- It provides financial forecasts of expenditures, including maintenance and capital costs.
- It creates a timeline for improvements that will ensure financial resources are used wisely.
- It satisfies the requirements of North Carolina House Bill 1744, which includes asset management planning in a list of common criteria that receive priority for loan and grant funding.

The Town's sewer asset management plan is based upon audited financial statements, historic records, personal knowledge of the Town of Waynesville's staff, and capital needs collected by the Town and its consultants. As depicted below, it provides for a process that will provide current documentation, maintain an asset inventory, and assess valuations. Because of constantly changing variables in those areas and limited information, this asset plan should be reviewed annually, updated, and revised so it keeps an accurate description of the sewer system.





DESCRIPTION OF THE SEWER SYSTEM

The Town manages its water and sewer systems as a separate enterprise funds. The costs to operate the water and sewer distribution, collection and treatment assets are separately recorded within each respective fund but some other costs including administration are distributed within both funds, as shown in the Town audits. The water fund operates with a budget of approximately \$2.7 million and serves over 6,300 customers. The sewer fund operates with a budget of approximately \$1.7 million and serves over 4,800 customers.

This report is intended to address only the wastewater fund assets.

Asset Details

This plan categorizes the Town's sewer assets into two major groups. These include:

- 1. Sewer Collection Assets
- 2. Treatment and Other Assets

Sewer Treatment and Collection Assets

The Town maintains one sewer treatment plant, located along Richland Creek, where it meets Jones Cove Branch. There are no sewer pump stations; all sewage flows by gravity to the plant through a network of various types and sizes of pipe. Upon treatment, wastewater is discharged to the Pigeon River below Richland Creek. This sewer collection system comprises approximately 547,000 feet of mains and lines. The distribution of gravity and force main pipe sizes and materials are presented in Figures 1 and 2, with installation decades shown in Figure 3. The data used for the figures is attached in the Appendix.

FIGURE 1



<section-header>PIGURE 2 Sewer Lines Linear Feet by Material


FIGURE 3



ASSET CATEGORIZATION

For effective analysis, assets are grouped into classes according to their type. Such categorization allows inferences to be drawn across asset classes and investment plans to be prioritized. For each asset group, subgroups can be created according to the common traits of the asset (i.e. diameter, material, etc.). The number of subgroups formed depends upon the amount of information available and the degree of detail required in the asset management process.

In addition, since different asset classes have different useful lives, it is essential to define asset life categories to allow appropriate transparency to be achieved, especially related to the Town's asset depreciation policy. Appropriate categorizations are: Very Short, Short, Medium, Long and Very Long, defined as follows:

- Very Short asset lives are up to 5 years. Computers, hot water washers, and flow meters are examples of assets that have very short lives.
- Short asset lives range from 6 to 15 years. Scales, backhoes, vehicles, and rollers have short lives.
- **Medium** asset lives are from 16 to 30 years long. Assets with medium lives generally are mechanical assets such as pumps, process plants, filter bed media, screens, and scrubbers.
- Long asset lives are between 31 and 50 years long. Assets that have long lives are generally mechanical assets such as filter bed structures, steel storage tanks, some buildings, and some treatment works.
- Very Long asset lives are typically more than 50 years. Long-lived assets are generally operational structures such as spillways, lines, and some treatment works.

The key implementation issue is the availability of data to create and populate the groups and sub-groups created. Within the Town of Waynesville's sewer system, some of the key data is not known. An important part of the implementation strategy is, therefore, to make assumptions to infer missing data, or alternatively, by extrapolating from known data.

ASSET VALUATION AND USEFUL LIFE

Asset Life Cycle

Assets have a life cycle through which they progress from the initial concept to the final disposal. Depending on the type of asset, its lifecycle may vary from 5 years to over 50 years. Key stages in the asset life cycle are:

• Asset planning

The period when the new asset is designed. Decisions made at this time influence the cost of operating the asset and the lifespan of the asset. Alternative, non-asset solutions must also be considered.

• Asset creation or acquisition

When the asset is purchased, constructed or vested. Capital cost, design and construction standards, commissioning the asset, and guarantees by suppliers influence the cost of operating the asset and the lifespan of the asset.

• Asset operations and maintenance

When the asset is operated and maintained. Operation relates to several elements, including efficiency, power costs and throughput. This is usually more applicable to mechanical plant rather than static assets, such as pipes. Maintenance relates to preventative maintenance where minor work is carried out to prevent work that is more expensive in the future and reactive maintenance where a failure is fixed.

• Asset condition and performance monitoring

When the asset is examined and checked to ascertain the remaining life of the asset, what corrective action is required including maintenance, rehabilitation or renewal and within what time.

• Asset rehabilitation and renewal

When the asset is restored or replaced to ensure that the required level of service can be delivered.

Asset disposal and rationalization

Where a failed or redundant asset is sold off, put to another use, or abandoned.

Asset Failure Modes

Generally, it is assumed that physical failure is the critical failure mode for many assets. However, asset management recognizes that other manners are relevant and are often critical for effective delivery of services. The range of failures include:

• Structural

The physical condition of the asset is the measure of deterioration, service potential and remaining life.

• Capacity

The level of under or over capacity of the asset is measured against the required level of service to establish the remaining life.

• Level of service

Reliability of the asset or performance targets are not achieved.

• Cost or economic impact

The cost to maintain or operate an asset is greater than the economic return.

• Obsolescence

Technical change or lack of replacement parts can render an asset uneconomic to operate or maintain.

It is important to know the expected length of an asset's lifecycle and how it will likely fail in order to properly determine future needs.

Asset Valuation Method

A valuation of the sewer assets was undertaken in FY 2014. Considering the data that was available, the valuation approach used was Depreciated Replacement Cost for sewer lines and Depreciated Original Cost for the other assets. Replacement cost is the cost of building the existing infrastructure using present day technology but maintaining the originally designed level of service. Depreciated Replacement Cost recognizes the wear and tear and deterioration of assets by calculating the depreciable component of Replacement Cost proportioned by the ratio of remaining useful life to economic life on a straight-line basis.

Sewer line length and diameter figures from the last asset management plan and Town records were used to estimate the costs of replacing the lines today. Total linear feet of lines were subtotaled into their respective diameters and then multiplied by an average replacement cost per foot for each size. The estimated replacement value of the sewer lines total \$31.9 million. After determining the replacement value, the age of each of the lines was used to estimate how much depreciation has occurred and how much residual value remains. Details of the ages of the sewer lines by diameter are shown in Figures 4.



FIGURE 4 SEWER LINES LINEAL FEET BY INSTALL DECADE AND DIAMETER

Straight-line depreciation and average life of 50 years for sewer lines was used in the calculations. In addition, it was assumed that a line that is older than its useful life or one with an unknown age retains 10% of its replacement value. As a result, the depreciated values of the sewer lines are estimated to be \$8.9 million.

The value of the sewer assets other than lines were depreciated on a straight-line basis over their nominal working life. Figures 5 show the depreciated values of the other water and sewer assets by Useful Life category.



When combined, the depreciated values of these other sewer assets total \$3.4 million. It should be noted that the value of these non-line assets using this methodology is significantly lower than what is necessary to replace them today. Inflation of costs since the installation dates is not considered in depreciation reports. This discrepancy would be seen in the value of the sewer lines if they were analyzed using the same methodology. Additional data that is currently unavailable is necessary to value the non-line assets using other methodologies.

REPLACEMENT & REFURBISHMENT PROGRAM

Current/Preventive Asset Maintenance

Maintenance is the regular ongoing day-to-day work necessary to keep assets operating including instances where portions of the asset fail and need immediate repair to make the asset operational again. This includes:

- Routine Maintenance Ongoing work aimed at maintaining individual component asset function and serviceability rather than expanding service.
- Renewals Component replacements at or near the end of its life.

The projected costs to maintain or replace current sewer lines are expected to be great in the future because 63% of sewer lines were installed during or before the 1960s. Many of these lines are over 60 years old, are near the end of their useful lives, and have a significant risk of failure. The lines were grouped together and sorted by diameter so varying costs can be assigned to each respective size. By multiplying the average cost per linear foot by the respective lengths, the estimated costs to replace the water and sewer lines over 40 years old are approximately \$24.2 million, as shown in Table 6.

DIAMETER	LENGTH B	/ DECADE			REPL	ACEMENT	ESTIMATED
INCHES	<u>1930'S</u>	<u>1940'S</u>	<u>1960'S</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>C(</u>	OST/FOOT	COST
4		9,006	397	9,403	\$	40.00	376,120
6		140,944	12,064	153,008	\$	50.00	7,650,400
8	83	119,442	6,849	126,374	\$	65.00	8,214,310
10		3,436		3,436	\$	75.00	257,700
12		20,417		20,417	\$	80.00	1,633,360
15		5,365		5,365	\$	80.00	429,200
18		1,444		1,444	\$	100.00	144,400
24	5,958	7,053	1,834	14,845	\$	200.00	2,969,000
30		8,381		8,381	\$	300.00	2,514,300
TOTALS	6,041	315,488	21,144	342,673			24,188,790

FIGURE 6 PRE-1970s SEWER LINES REPLACEMENT COSTS

Risk Assessment

It is probable that the Town of Waynesville will have multiple failures of their sewer assets during the next 20 years. More than half of all sewer lines were installed during or before the 1960s and are many are more than 60 years old. Since the expected useful life of such lines has ended and the assets are fully depreciated, the sewer systems are exposed to the risk of service outages and substantial infiltration or inflow. A liability exists that is greater than what is shown in the CIP; the CIP focuses on averages that reflect risk.

Adding New Assets

As new assets are purchased by the Town of Waynesville, the costs to refurbish and maintain the overall system will increase. It is prudent to know how long an asset can operate before funds must be spent to maintain its level of service. Equally as important is recognizing how long an asset will likely operate before it will need to be replaced. Figure 7 illustrates the estimated time after an asset purchase before required financial obligations are anticipated to arise and the asset's estimated useful life:



FIGURE 8 NEW BUILDING ASSETS TIMETABLE OF MAINTENANCE AND USEFUL LIFE



FIGURE 9 NEW MISCELLANEOUS ASSETS TIMETABLE OF MAINTENANCE AND USEFUL LIFE



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Conclusions

The maintenance needs for the Town of Waynesville are always changing. Over time, some assets will be removed because they have reached the end of their useful lives. As a result, the existing asset inventory will slowly diminish. However, as assets are eliminated, new assets will be added to the system, either to replace old assets or to provide new services or technologies. It is imperative that the Town continue to enhance its GIS capabilities and data to ensure that the knowledge of asset characteristics and conditions are recorded and closely monitored. Knowing the key "what, when, and where" features of assets will facilitate understand regarding assets are at greatest risk of failure, what service levels are expected from these assets, and what is sufficient information to insure optimal use of limited funds.

OPERATION AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE (O&M) PLAN

In the past, maintenance, repair, and rehabilitation has been planned and performed on a "fix as needed" basis. While successful at keeping the overall system operating, it has left some gaps in system efficiency and increased the risk of asset failure. To ensure assets are maintained and managed effectively and efficiently the Town of Waynesville has adopted an O&M Plan. The O&M Plan consists of preventive and emergency/reactive maintenance. In this section, the strategy for O&M varies by the asset, criticality, condition and operating history.

Preventive Maintenance

Preventive maintenance is carried out because of a planned maintenance program (such as regularly scheduled asset repairs) that addresses historically problematic operations (such as blockages and root infestation). Mechanical equipment must be maintained according to manufacturer's recommendations to achieve maximum return on investment. The O&M Plan's Preventive Maintenance shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Routine Pump Station Inspection and Maintenance Program: This will include at a minimum:

a) Inspecting, cleaning and removing debris from the pump station structure, outside perimeter and wet well (sewer pump stations).

b) Inspecting and performing manufacturer-recommended routine maintenance of pumps and other mechanical equipment.

c) Verifying the proper operation of the alarms, telemetry system and auxiliary equipment.

e) Other testing procedures as recommended by the manufacturer.

f) Annual flow meter calibration (at a minimum).

g) Pump stations not connected to telemetry systems must be inspected at least daily. Pump stations with telemetry must be inspected at least once per week.

Preventive Maintenance documentation will be in a checklist form that will remain at the pump station, or in the office of the Public Works Director. The pump manufacturer's operation and maintenance manual shall be reviewed to develop operation and maintenance requirements for the pump inspection and maintenance program.

Town of Waynesville – Pump Station Check List Form:

a) Check wet well level periodically, more frequently when high flows expected or have occurred.

b) Record hours of running time from elapsed time meters at least once per week and check for equal running times on each pump.

c) Inspect control panel switches for proper positioning.

d) Test alarms.

e) Check valves for proper operation/position.

f) Valves functioning, normally open valves are open, normally closed valves are closed.

g) Confirm valve lever arms and weights are ok.

h) Check for unusual pump noise or vibration.

i) Check amp readings. Note discrepancies.

j) Confirm pumps appear seated properly.

k) Confirm no leakage observed.

1) Check pump retrieval chains are secured.

m) Confirm guide rails and brackets are aligned and fastened.

n) Note any rust or loose parts.

o) Confirm piping and valves not leaking, bolts and nuts are tight.

p) Confirm any rusty parts have been replaced, cleaned or painted.

q) Record flow rate observed during site visit.

r) Check and record pressure gauge readings during observed flow rate. Note any changes from normal readings.

s) At least once per week, manually pump down the wet well to check for and remove debris.

o Inspect floats and transducer and cables and remove all debris to insure proper operation.

o Untangle twisted cables that may affect the automatic cycle operation.

o Check control settings.

o If a pump is removed, place the lead pump selector switch on the number of the pump remaining in operation.

o Inspect the pump hand/off/automatic selector switch. Turn to off. Fill up wet well with water until high water is activated. Turn to auto and check if both pumps operate automatically with slight delay between each. Pump until pump shuts off. Fill water until the lead pump starts. When the lead pump starts, shut off water. Allow pump to lower the wet well until the pump shuts off.

o Check pumps for blockage and any abnormalities in operation.

t) Confirm generator is automatically exercising on schedule at start-up. Periodically manually throw main disconnect to check the Automatic Transfer Switch (ATS) and generator operation.

u) Cut grass, pick up trash, remove debris, walk around perimeter, inspect fencing, landscaping, look for vandalism or evidence of trespassing, security concerns.

2. Right of Way Maintenance:

a. Track right of way clearing and maintenance to show work activity throughout the year. This may be a map that is highlighted and dated to show the work performed or some type of written form that indicates the location, date, observations and activity.

3. Schedule for Testing Emergency and Standby Equipment:

a. Use a checklist that shows when equipment is scheduled for and has been tested, equipment location and testing procedures (or reference to where they can be found).

4. Collection System Cleaning Program Plan:

a. Record the date, location of cleaning, type of cleaning and other general observations during cleaning (type of debris, quantity, etc.). At least 10% of the entire collection system should be cleaned each year.

5. Bulk Water Meter Calibration:

a. The bulk water meter(s) will be calibrated based on a mutually agreed upon timeframe between the Town of Waynesville and Two Rivers Utilities. Records from each calibration will be reviewed and kept on file.

6. Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) Evaluation Log:

a. Document all SSOs using the State form or similar. It is required that any type of spill, reportable or not, be documented. Spills that are reported to the State should be on the required form.

- 9. Inspection & Maintenance Logs: These must be maintained for all inspections of:
 - a. Collection system lines
 - b. Pump stations
 - c. Wastewater system-related equipment.

Logs shall include the date and time, inspector's name, items inspected, findings and any maintenance, repairs or corrective actions taken or recommended. These records must be maintained for a minimum of three years. NOTE: Pump stations not connected to telemetry systems must be inspected at least daily. Pump stations with telemetry must be inspected at least once per week.

10. Construction Record Drawings and Specifications for Modifications/Extensions:

a. These must be maintained for the life of that portion of the collection system and incorporated into the comprehensive map of the entire system within one year of construction completion.

11. High Priority Line Inspection Form:

a. All aerial lines, sub-waterway crossings, siphons, lines contacting surface water, lines positioned parallel to stream banks and subject to eroding in such a manner that may threaten the line and any other segment of the system that is designated as high priority must be inspected every six months. The log must state the area inspected, the date, method of inspection and any corrective actions initiated or performed.

12. Complaint Log:

a. This log should be used to record customer complaints. The date, complaint location, problem, inspection date, inspector, observation, corrective action initiated or performed, and any follow up.

13. Annual Budget Planning:

a. The Public Works Department shall prepare an annual budget request to the Town Manager for spare parts inventory, supplies and chemicals that will be needed solely in the operation of the sewer system for approval by the Town Council subject to Town audit requirements. The Public Works Department shall maintain this inventory with documentation of actual costs incurred according to the Town accounting system requirements. The Public Works Department should provide support documentation on needed asset replacement for Capital Improvements that exceed \$5,000. Table 1 below provides a summary of the preventive maintenance tasks.

Task Name	Frequency
Collection System: Check pumping stations. month(s)	1st Wednesday every 1
Collection System: Check sewer lines and manholes.	1st Monday of January
Generator: Check fuel & oil.	1st Thursday every month(s)
Generator: Supervise preventive maintenance to emergence	у
generator(s).	2nd Wednesday of June
Grit Removal: Check wet well pumps.	1st Wednesday of June
Check security equipment / emergency response plans.	2nd Wednesday of June
Check power sources and back-up power.	2nd Wednesday of June
Visually inspect and maintain wet well pumps.	1st Wednesday every month
Manholes: Routine Maintenance	Once every 2 years per manhole
Check each gravity main line	at least once a year
Check force main line & Air Release Valve	at least once a year
Compare billing totals against total water purchased	1st Monday every 1 month(s)

Figure 10 - Preventive Maintenance Summary

Emergency/Reactive Maintenance

Emergency/Reactive maintenance is carried out because of customer requests or sudden asset failures. Sanitary sewer overflows, for example, often occur due to blockage of sewer lines, infiltration/inflow and heavy rainfall, malfunction of pump stations, broken sewer lines, or a combination of these problems. Understanding system vulnerabilities and their locations and working to maintain, rehabilitate, or improve those areas reduces the risk of emergency/reactive maintenance and its associated consequences. Continued development and use of the Asset Management Plan is intended to significantly reduce emergency and reactive maintenance.

Deferred Maintenance

Deferred maintenance is any maintenance, repair, restoration or replacement work that system operators know of, that should have been accomplished before now, and that has not been performed. The deferred maintenance burden grows on the Town each budget year if equipment and other assets are not maintained, rehabilitated or replaced as required. The largest items of deferred maintenance for the Town of Waynesville are its underground assets, i.e., buried gravity mains, and force mains. Out of sight and out of mind, underground assets are easy to forget in an O&M plan and an annual budget. The following is a statement of the utility's plan to reduce overall deferred maintenance over the following 10 years:

Using GIS mapping of the entire water and sewer system, this Asset Management Plan, asset inventory, and our own routine inspections we will identify the segments of the system that are the most vulnerable due to deferred maintenance and develop a schedule for addressing those areas over the next 10 years.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Capital Improvements Plan

The Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) reflects proposed or planned sewer capital improvements for the next 10 years within the current Town owned sewer system. These needs are based upon the knowledge of Town staff and its consultants. As is illustrated in Figure 11, there are 11 capital improvement line items proposed for the sewer fund. Each column represents the annual project costs for each of the next 10 years. The estimated cost of the projects totals over \$24.8 million.

Due to the financial demands that these projects would place upon the funds, the analysis assumes that each improvement is planned to be paid either by a capital outlay in a specific fiscal year or by debt resulting in an annual debt service payment. The annual capital outlay spending is projected to range between \$650,000 and \$780,000. The most significant debt projects during the next 10 years are denoted in differentiating colors.

- \$329,000 for equipment and vehicle replacements.
- \$17,400,000 for WWTP upfit/replacement
- \$3,000,000 for nutrient removal at the wastewater treatment plant.

Revenue Requirement

The yearly required revenues for the Town of Waynesville's water and sewer funds are comprised of all the expenditures necessary to ensure consistent, quality service to all users. These expenditures ensure proper operation and maintenance of equipment, development and perpetuation of the system, and maintenance of the utilities' financial integrity. These cost components are divided into the following categories:

•	Administration	\$	370,000
•	Operation Department	\$1	,630,000
•	Maintenance Department	\$	700,000
•	Debt service	\$	54,352
•	Capital outlay	\$	484,000
TC	DTAL	\$3	,238,352

The total of all the above items is the estimated required revenue for the Town's sewer funds FY 2020.

Figure 11

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN **MARCH 2019**

		MUTUTAI	TOT TT										
FISCAL YEAR 2018-19	ESTIMATED (CURRENT 2019	YEAR 1 2020	YEAR 2 2021	YEAR 3 2022	YEAR 4 2023	YEAR 5 2024	YEAR 6 2025	YEAR 7 2026	YEAR 8 2027	YEAR 9 2028	VEAR 10	YEARS 11-20 2029+
EQUIPMENT TOCH S - MAINTENANCE	644 400		900-63	63 600	405.000	100 200	65 000	56 700	52 400	60 200	000 63	63 000	
TOOLS - TREATMENT	BER FUR		134 000	138 000	142 100	146 400	20,000	20,600	100010	24 BUD	22 500	23,200	
EQUIPMENT	1.087.000	154.000	95,000	150.000	108,000	100.000	45.000	100.000	110.000	125,000	100.000	100,000	1.135.000
VEHICLES	895,700	59,700	182,000	94,000	110,000	135,000	45,000	80,000	90,000	50,000	50,000	100,000	1,200,000
LINE REPLACEMENTS	4 460 000		76 000	460.000	ALC DAD	100 000	000 301	470.000	175 000	100 000	000.000	1000 000	
INISCELLANEOUS REFLACEMEN IS INIEU TO ATION (INEI OU INABOOUENENTO	1,430,000		76,000	1000001	100,000	300,000	100,000	000 000	000 200	100,000	200,000	000 000	000,000 0
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TREATMENT DI ANT IMPROVEMENTS													
WWTP PLANT UPGRADE/REPLACEMENT/PHASE 1	1 17.000.000				17.000.000								
BRIDGE OF LINE DEDI ACEMENTS	440.000	190.000					250.000						
NUTRIENT REMOVAL (PHASE 2)	0												3,000.000
LAND ACQUISITION	400,000				100,000		Π						
MISCELLANEOUS CAPITAL INVESTMENTS	500,000		200,000	20,000	25,000	30,000	35,000	40,000	45,000	50,000	55,000	60,000	
WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS SUBTOTAL	24,800,400	403.700	813,000	755,600	18,220,100	979,600	765,000	667.300	724,600	737,000	734,500	757,100	8,335,000
DEBT PACKAGES			329,000		17,400,000								
ANNUAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$7,499,500	\$403,700	\$484,000	\$755,600	\$820,100	\$650,600	\$765,000	\$667,300	\$724,600	000'2£25	\$734,500	\$757,100	\$8,335,000
TOTAL NEW OPERATING COSTS	Į	l			1	25,000	25,750	26,523	27,318	28,138	28,982	29,851	

Debt Service Requirements

The sewer funds had no outstanding debt obligations in FY 2018. Due to the substantial revisions to the wastewater capital improvements plan, there are three significant debt events planned that relate to extensive investments in the Town's wastewater treatment plant. Each of the proposed debt obligations and their total annual payments over the next ten fiscal years are as follows:

	Debt One	Debt Two	Debt Three
Loan Principal	\$329,000	\$17,400,000	\$3,000,000
Term	7 years	20 years	20 years
Annual debt service	\$54,352	SRF Amortization	SRF Amortization
Source	Conventional	NC SRF	NC SRF
Initial Year	2020	2022	2027

Financial Analysis

The financial analysis Figure 12 is organized using columns and rows that show different fiscal years and line item revenues and expenditures. The far-left column lists the titles for line item revenues and expenditures followed to the right by audited data for FY 2016-2018 and estimated data for FY 2019. Using the historical trends and knowledge of the Town's plans, the next ten columns depict the projected revenues and expenditures for the next ten fiscal years.

Each row represents either a revenue or expenditure, taken from the headings used in the audit. The rows in the upper half of the table contain current revenue sources followed by expenditures in the lower half of the table. The rows near the bottom show the net income and the unrestricted net assets, which are the result of deducting all expenditures from revenues each year. Also shown at the bottom of the table are new debt issuance assumptions in certain fiscal years when debt is proposed to help finance capital projects from the CIP.

In conducting the financial analysis, we gathered the Town's audited financial statements from for the previous three years, along with the Year-end report and budget for FY 2019. Capital outlays were separated to ensure the figures used for projections were consistent with prior years. Historical trends for each of the line items were analyzed to anticipate how each revenue and expenditure would change over the next ten years. After calculating the growth trends, we projected that sewer revenues would grow by an annual average rate of 1% as seen in the financial analysis in Table 12. Regarding expenditures, we projected that Administration expense would grow by an average rate of 2.4%, and Operations and Maintenance Departments would grow by 2.25%.

In order to maintain a positive net income with the planned large capital improvement projects, the analysis assumes that funds will be acquired by borrowing capital and by spending down fund balance. Debt issuance is packaged and spaced in time to avoid debt service stacking that is unnecessarily burdensome on the funds. The remaining yearly capital requirements over the next ten years will be paid by annual capital outlays that average about \$700,000 annually. The planned methods to finance the improvements in the CIP are shown in Figure 12.

The sewer fund's net income would remain positive over six of the next 10 years providing that the proposed increases in revenue from rates are implemented. An unrestricted net asset amount of \$1,349,339 is achieved by Year 10.

The proposed revenue increases over the next 10 years are high enough to yield sustainable operations for each enterprise fund. Due to the aggressive capital investments in wastewater infrastructure, the demands on user rates are substantial, but necessary to address failing infrastructure and regulatory mandates by the state.

Figure 12

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS MODEL 2019 -- SRF

LINE ITEM	RATE	2017	AUDIT 2018	ESTIMATE 2019	YEAR 1 2020	YEAR 2 2021	YEAR 3 2022	YEAR 4 2023	YEAR 5 2024	YEAR 6 2025	YEAR 7 2026	YEAR 8 2027	YEAR 9 2028	YEAR 10 2029
<u>SEWER REVENUES:</u> SEWER CHARGES SEWER TAP FEES	1.0%	2,463,362 30,400	2,636,064 17,125	2,813,000 20,000	2,800,000 20,000	2,828,000 20,200	2,856,280 20,402	2,884,843 20,606	2,913,691 20,812	2,942,828 21,020	2,972,256 21,230	3,001,979 21,443	3,031,999 21,667	3,062,319 21,874
OTHER REVENUE (INCLUDES SDF)	1.0%	5,038	10,652	48,000	104,000	75,000	45,000	45,450	45,905	46,364	46,827	47,295	47,768	48,246
TOTAL REVENUES		2,498,800	2,663,841	2,881,000	2,924,000	2,923,200	2,921,682	2,950,899	2,980,408	3,010,212	3,040,314	3,070,717	3,101,424	3,132,439
NEW SOURCES OF REVENUE:														
REVENUE FROM RESIDENTIAL PROJEC	TS				10,000	10,000	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW REVENUES FROM RATES					282,000	709,230	996,898	1,432,716	1,872,891	2,021,083	2,080,963	2,141,422	2,202,495	2,264,179
PERCENTAGE INCREASE		a lange and	and the second se	and a second	10.0%	15.0%	10.0%	15.0%	15.0%	5.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
TOTAL REVENUES		2,498,800	2,663,841	2,881,000	3,216,000	3,642,430	3,923,580	4,383,614	4,853,299	5,031,295	5,121,267	5,212,139	5,303,919	5,396,617
SEWER FUND EXPENDITURES:	And C	140.000	100 100	000 535	000 026	000 016	207 070	100 700	105 040	110 202	102 201	010 201	CUC LYP	060 027
	2.40 /0	1 171 501	1 375 777	1 597 000	1 630 000	1 666 675	2012,100 771 ANT 1	1742 610	1 791 776	1 821 815	1 962 905	1 904 719	1 947 575	1 001 305
MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT	2.25%	565.822	629,126	683,000	700,000	715.750	731.854	748.321	765.158	782,374	799.978	817.977	836,382	855.200
NEW OPERATING COSTS FROM CIP	2.25%							25.000	25.750	26.523	27.318	28.138	28,982	29.851
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES		1,886,215	2,141,033	2,643,000	2,700,000	2,761,305	2,824,003	2,913,125	2,979,453	3,047,294	3,116,682	3,187,653	3,260,241	3,334,485
CAPITAL OUTLAY CURRENT DEBT SERVICE		0	0	403,700	484,000	755,600	820,100	650,600	765,000	667,300	724,600	737,000	734,500	757,100
NEW DEBT					54,352	54,352	1,124,297	1,124,297	1,124,297	1,124,297	1,124,297	1,124,297	1,124,297	1,124,297
TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS		139,070	93,210											
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		2,025,285	2,234,243	3,046,700	3,238,352	3,571,257	4,768,400	4,688,022	4,868,751	4,838,892	4,965,580	5,048,950	5,119,038	5,215,882
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES ACCRUAL ADJUSTMENTS		473,515 -543,629	429,598 -312,228	-165,700	-22,352	71,173	-844,820	-304,407	-15,452	192,404	155,688	163,189	184,881	180,735
NET INCOME		-70.114	117.370	-165.700	-22.352	71.173	-844.820	304.407	-15.452	192.404	155.688	163.189	184.881	180.735
CUMULATIVE NET INCOME PPR CENT CUMULATIVE NET INCOME		NA NA	1,/54,000 81,92%	1,588,300 60.09%	1,565,948 58.00%	1,637,121 59.29%	/92,301 28.06%	48/,894 16.75%	4/2,442 15,86%	664,846 21.82%	820,633 26.33%	983,/23 30,86%	1,168,604 35.84%	1,349,339
NEW DEBT: L GAN & MOLINIT					DEBT 1		<u>DEBT 2</u> 17 ANN MND							
PAYMENT					27,176		534,973							
ANNUAL PAYMENTS					54,352	\$	1,069,945							
TERM					4.UU% 7		20							
FUNDING SOURCE					160A-20		SRF SRF							

SEWER REVENUE RECOMMENDATIONS

As a result of our analysis, we have projected the following sewer revenue increases from sewer users. These increases would only affect fixed and volume charges but not tap, System Development Fees or miscellaneous fees. However, as the total value of the sewer system substantially increases, the system Development Fees should probably also be increased to reflect an accurate equity contribution by new users. These revenue increases are arranged in time to minimize the impact to most users as shown below and in the financial analysis table.

- 10% annual sewer revenue increase in FY 2020.
- 15% annual sewer revenue increase in FY 2021.
- 10% annual sewer revenue increase in FY 2022.
- 15% annual sewer revenue increase in FY 2023.
- 15% annual sewer revenue increase in FY 2024.
- 5% annual sewer revenue increases in FY 2025.
- 2% annual sewer revenue increases in FY 2026 through 2029.

CONCLUSIONS

Reactive, emergency maintenance is typically the most expensive type of maintenance and should make up a minimal amount of total maintenance effort. Instead, time-based preventive and/or predictive strategies should comprise most of the effort. Some assets, especially very dynamic assets, such as pump stations can leave discernable clues as to their capacity to perform. When determining the most cost-effective maintenance strategy for a given asset, the likelihood of failure and the consequence of failure should be considered. Operating to failure may be the most cost-effective maintenance strategy for a given asset, but only when coupled with a carefully developed failure response plan.

Because the Town's expects change over time, this Asset Management Plan is a living document and should be reviewed annually and updated at least every two years, to maintain compliance with DEQ guidelines. It will further develop as additional information about the Town's sewer assets is collected in terms of condition, performance and service delivery. For example, basic data is not available for the oldest lines in the downtown area. Additional information about this infrastructure such as the years of pipe installation would be beneficial. However, the effectiveness of the sewer Asset Management Plan should be monitored in various ways and the results used in the updating and revision of the plan. For example, the cost of gathering appropriate condition data is a fundamental issue, especially for buried infrastructure where intervention can have significant operational consequences in terms of closing down the system to facilitate access.

Asset management is a continual planning process that should be integrated with all other planning efforts. This Asset Management Plan will act as a source of information from which other plans can utilize and as a vehicle for the development of advanced asset management practices in the future, which will allow improved decision-making techniques.

APPENDICES

SEWER LINE DATA

TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE LINEAR FEET OF SEWER LINES BY MATERIAL AND INSTALL DECADE

Sum of LENGTH	Η	MATERIAL	T,						
DECADE	٣	Asbestos		Cast Iron	CIPP	Ductile Iron	Polyvinyl Chloride	Vitrified Clay	Grand Total
1930's								6,040.36	6,040.36
1940's		708.8	39	1,492.35		3,421.73	7,534.84	302,330.91	315,488.71
1960's						1,192.26	1,051.94	18,899.63	21,143.83
1970's		78.4	1	190.00		84.06	2,257.31	39,921.82	42,531.59
1980's						898.08	30,387.44	6,157.26	37,442.78
1990's				523.78		4,005.77	48,266.05	2,415.53	55,211.13
2000's					1,828.29	22,217.92	31,850.85	1,831.10	57,728.17
2010's							11,291.00		11,291.00
Grand Total		787.3	30	2,206.12	1,828.29	31,819.81	132,639.43	377,596.60	546,877.56



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Documentation of NPDES Permit Violations

NORTH CAROLINA ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

COUNTY OF HAYWOOD

IN THE MATTER OF)	
NORTH CAROLINA)	SPECIAL ORDER BY CONSENT
NPDES PERMIT NC0025321	ý	
HELD BY	ý	EMC SOC WQ S19-005
TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE)	
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Pursuant to provisions of North Carolina General Statutes (G.S.) 143-215.2 and 143-215.67, this Special Order by Consent is entered into by the Town of Waynesville, hereinafter referred to as the Town, and the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission, an agency of the State of North Carolina created by G.S. 143B-282, and hereinafter referred to as the Commission:

- I. The Town and the Commission hereby stipulate the following:
 - (a) The Town holds North Carolina NPDES permit NC0025321 for operation of the Town of Waynesville wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) and for making an outlet therefrom for the discharge of treated wastewater to the Pigeon River, currently classified C waters of this State in the French Broad River Basin. The Town is unable to consistently comply with effluent limitations for Total Suspended Solids (TSS) and fecal coliform as set forth in NPDES Permit NC0025321. Compliance will require preparation of plans and specifications for construction and operation of an upgraded WWTP and continued reduction of inflow and infiltration (I&I) within the collection system.
 - (b) Noncompliance with final effluent limits constitutes causing and contributing to pollution of the waters of this State named above, and the Town is within the jurisdiction of the Commission as set forth in G.S. Chapter 143, Article 21.
 - (c) The Town has secured funding for the planning, design and construction of improvements to the current WWTP, which includes upgrade of the headworks, removal of primary clarifiers and replacement with primary drum filters, rehabilitation of the current aeration basins, installation of two new circular secondary clarifiers, improvements in solids management, conversion of the anaerobic digester to an aerated sludge holding tank and conversion from gas to liquid disinfection. Completion of the project will provide the Town with the ability to adequately treat incoming wastewater, properly manage solids and aid the facility in returning to compliance with NPDES Permit No. NC0025321.
 - (d) Since this Special Order is by Consent, neither party will file a petition for a contested case or for judicial review concerning its terms.

2. The Town, desiring to comply with the permit identified in paragraph 1(a) above, hereby agrees to do the following:

(a) The Town has outstanding civil penalty assessments for NPDES permit NC0025321 that total \$20,645.48. The Town has violations that have not been assessed by the Division to-date that approximate \$22,500. As settlement of all violations, including those assessed and pending, the

Town agrees to pay an upfront penalty of \$4,129.00, with the remaining amount of \$16,516.48 to be held in abeyance until the successful completion of this SOC. Upon the successful completion of this SOC, the remaining penalty amount held in abeyance (\$16,516.48 assessed) will be remitted in full and the assessment of pending violations waived. Should the Special Order of Consent not reach successful conclusion, the full remaining assessed penalty of \$16,516.48 will be due immediately by check payable to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality and forwarded to the Director. The Division retains the right to address those violations not assessed approximating \$22,500 if the SOC is not successfully completed.

- (b) Undertake the following activities in accordance with the indicated time schedule:
 - (1) Within 60 days, following the issuance of the SOC, submit an update on current I&I reduction efforts and a copy of the Town's current collection system CIP.
 - (2) On or before April 15, 2021, submit approvable plans for an Authorization to Construct.
 - (3) On or before **November 1, 2020**, submit and/or make available online the flow measurements obtained from the meter installed downstream of the intermediate pump station.
 - (4) Four (4) months following issuance of the AtoC, advertise project, receive bids & receive authority to award for the construction of plant improvements
 - (5) Three (3) months following receipt of authority to award the construction contract, begin construction of the plant improvements as outlined in the AtoC.
 - (6) Twenty-four (24) months after beginning construction, complete construction of the Waynesville WWTP improvements.
 - (7) Three (3) months following completion of construction, achieve compliance with the NPDES Permit NC0025321.
 - (8) Provide quarterly progress reports summarizing activities undertaken by the Town regarding the construction of the WWTP. Reports will also provide a summary of the performance of the Town's existing WWTP during the previous quarter, and detail efforts made to optimize the WWTP during that time.
 - (9) Provide semi-annual progress reports on the Town's concurrent efforts to address and remove significant sources of l&I. Additionally, updated copies of the Town's CS CIP shall be submitted as they become available. Reports may be provided by hard copy or electronic means and shall be received by the NC DEQ Asheville Regional Office and the DWR Central Office no later than the 10th day following the end of the quarter during the period of time the Order is in effect.
- (c) During the time in which this Special Order by Consent is effective, comply with the interim

effluent limitations contained in Attachment A. Under this Special Order of Consent, <u>only</u> the parameters listed below have been modified from the most current NPDES Permit in effect. The following reflects only the limitations that have been modified from NPDES requirements by this Order:

		Current Permi	it Limits	Modified Lin	nits (SOC)
Parameter	Units	Monthly Average	Weekly Average	Monthly Average	Weekly Average
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	mg/L	30	45	45	100
Fecal Coliform	mg/L	200	400	200	600

- (d) No later than thirty (30) calendar days after any date identified for accomplishment of any activity listed in paragraph 2. (b) (1) (7) above, submit to the Director of DWR a written **notice** of compliance (including the date compliance was achieved along with supporting documentation if applicable) or noncompliance therewith. In the case of noncompliance, the notice shall include a statement of the reason(s) for noncompliance, remedial action(s) taken, and a statement identifying the extent to which subsequent dates or times for accomplishment of listed activities may be affected.
- 3. The Town agrees that unless excused under paragraph four (4), the Town will pay the Director of DWR, by check payable to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, stipulated penalties according to the following schedule for failure to meet the deadlines set out in paragraph 2.

SOC Violation	Stipulated Penalty
Failure to meet a schedule date listed in paragraphs 2.(b)(1) through 2.(b)(6).	\$1000 per missed schedule date within the first seven (7) days of tardiness; \$750 per day thereafter.
Failure to submit progress reports as required by paragraph 2.(b)(7&8).	\$1000 for the first violation; penalty doubles with each subsequent assessment for late reports.
Failure to maintain compliance with any modified limit contained in the SOC.	\$1000 for exceeding monthly average limit; \$500 for exceeding weekly average limits.,
Monitoring frequency violations for modified parameters	\$100.00 per omitted value per parameter

- 4. The Town and the Commission agree that the stipulated penalties are not due if the Town satisfies DWR that noncompliance was caused solely by:
 - (a) An act of God;
 - (b) An act of war;
 - (c) An intentional act or omission of a third party, but this defense shall not be available if the act or omission is that of an employee or agent of the defendant or if the act or omission occurs in connection with a contractual relationship with the permittee;
 - (d) An extraordinary event beyond the permittee's control. Contractor delays or failure to obtain

funding will not be considered as events beyond the permittee's control; or

(e) Any combination of the above causes.

Failure within thirty (30) days of receipt of written demand to pay the penalties, or challenge them by a contested case petition pursuant to G.S. 150B-23, will be grounds for a collection action, which the Attorney General is hereby authorized to initiate. The only issue in such an action will be whether the thirty (30) days has elapsed.

- 5. This Special Order by Consent and any terms and/or conditions contained herein, hereby supersede any and all previous Special Orders, Enforcement Compliance Schedule Letters, terms, conditions, and limits contained therein issued in connection with NPDES permit NC0025321.
- 6. Failure to meet the schedule dates identified in section 2 may terminate this Special Order by Consent and require the Town to comply with the terms and conditions contained in permit NC0025321.
- 7. Noncompliance with the terms of this Special Order by Consent is subject to enforcement action in addition to the above stipulated penalties, including injunctive relief pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6.C.
- 8. In accordance with the provisions of G.S. 143-215.67(b) the Commission allows the Town of Waynesville to accept the additional waste specified below to its waste disposal system. The approval of additional flow will be in the form of an issued sewer extension permit.

	Project		Gallons per
	-		Day
Total Projecto Provide N	ted New Flow Over Term finimum Reasonable Serv	of SOC	155,000
Total			155,000

- 8. The permittee, <u>upon signature</u> of this Special Order by Consent, will be expected to comply with all schedule dates, terms, and conditions of this document.
- 9. This Special Order by Consent shall expire July 1, 2024.

For the Town of Waynesville:

Rob Hites

Town Manager

10/26/ 2020 Date

For the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission

12/31/2020

Date

Director, Division of Water Resources

	Wastewater T	reatment Plant Improv	vements Phase 1		
	Town of	of Waynesville, North (Carolina		
Date of Notice	Parameter	Time of Occurrence	Effluent Value	Limit	Fine
March 23, 2020	bypass of primary effluent	February 6, 2020	114,000 gal	n/a	
April 13, 2020	bypass of primary effluent	February 11, 2020	35,000 gal,	n/a	\$2 630 37
	bypass of primary effluent	February 13, 2020	70,000 gal	n/a	φ2,000.07
	bypass of primary effluent	March 25, 2020	44,000 gal	n/a	\$1,380.37
Mary 26, 2020	bypass of primary effluent	April 20, 2020	100,000 gal	n/a	\$3,130.37
November 24, 2020	influent monitoring	September 22-30, 2020	n/a	n/a	
April 21, 2021	Total Suspended Solids	Moth of February 2021	59.05	45	
May 20, 2021	Total Suspended Solids	Week of March 20, 2021	126.6	100	
	Total Suspended Solids	Month of March 2021	72.83	45	¢5 024 42
	BOD, 5-day Concentration	Week of March 27, 2021	63.8	45	Ъ Э,024.43
	BOD. 5-day Concentration	Month of March 2021	40.26	30	
June 9, 2021	Total Suspended Solids	Month of April 2021	64.1	45	
	BOD, 5-day Concentration	Month of April 2022	34.43	30	
July 1, 2021	Total Suspended Solids	Week of May 1, 2021	118.2	100	
,	Total Suspended Solids	Week of May 8, 2021	112.4	100	*• • • • • •
	Total Suspended Solids	Month of May 2021	68.45	45	\$2,124.43
	BOD, 5-day Concentration	Month of May 2021	32.15	30	
September 7, 2021	Fecal Coliform	Week of July 17, 2021	1584.66	600	\$624.43
September 21, 2021	Fecal Coliform	Week of August 21, 2021	679.64	600	
	Total Suspended Solids	Week of August 7, 2021	102	100	\$2,124.43
	Total Suspended Solids	Month of August 2021	61.36	45	
October 29, 2021	Total Suspended Solids	Month of September	54.1	45	\$1,113.78
November 29, 2021	Fecal Coliform	Week of October 9, 2021	1094.06	600	
	Total Suspended Solids	Week of October 9, 2021	131.6	100	
	Total Suspended Solids	Month of October 2021	57 62	45	
	Oxygen, Dissolved	10/7/2021	5.5	.0	
Jnauary 18, 2022	Total Suspended Solids	Month of December	86	45	
	BOD, 5-day Concentration	Week of December 25,	58.33	45	
	BOD, 5-day Concentration	Month of December	43.84	30	
February 21, 2022	Total Suspended Solids	Week of January 1, 2022	155.67	100	
	Total Suspended Solids	Week of January 8, 2022	100.8	100	
	Total Suspended Solids	Week of Januarv 22.	125.5	100	
	Total Suspended Solids	Month of January 2022	85.15	45	
	BOD, 5-day Concentration	Week of January 1, 2022	61.67	45	
	BOD, 5-day Concentration	Week of January 8, 2022	49.6	45	
	BOD 5-day Concentration	Week of January 22	73.5	45	
	BOD, 5-day Concentration	Month of January 2022	47.55	30	

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NORTH CAROLINA Environmental Quality

March 23, 2020

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION Tracking Number: NOV-2020-PC-0168 Unauthorized Bypass Permit No. NC0025321 County: Haywood

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

A review has been conducted of the self-reported Bypass 5-Day Report submitted by Mark Jones on <u>February 10, 2020</u>. The Division's Asheville Regional Office (ARO) concludes that the Town of Waynesville violated Permit Condition Part II.C.4.c.1: *Bypass from the treatment facility is prohibited and the Permit Issuing Authority may take enforcement action against a Permittee for bypass.*

Specific incident cited in the violation includes the following:

A 114,000-gallon unauthorized bypass of primary effluent from the basin prior to the primary effluent pump building to Richland Creek occurred on February 6, 2020.

This Notice of Violation (NOV) is being issued for the noted violation of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES Permit. Remedial actions, if not already implemented, should be taken to correct the above noncompliance and to prevent future noncompliance.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mikal Willmer with the Water Quality Section of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4686 or via email at mikal.willmer@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

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G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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April 13, 2020

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ISSUE CIVIL PENALTY Tracking Number: NOV-2020-PC-0171 Unauthorized Bypass Permit No. NC0025321 County: Haywood

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

A review has been conducted of the self-reported Bypass 5-Day Reports submitted by Mark Jones on <u>February 12 and February 13 ,2020</u>. The Division's Asheville Regional Office (ARO) concludes that the Town of Waynesville violated Permit Condition Part II.C.4.c.1: *Bypass from the treatment facility is prohibited and the Permit Issuing Authority may take enforcement action against a Permittee for bypass.*

Specific incidents cited in the violation include the following:

- 1. A 35000-gallon unauthorized bypass from the basin prior to the primary effluent pump building to Richland Creek occurred on February 11, 2020.
- 2. A 70000-gallon unauthorized bypass from the basin prior to the primary effluent pump building to Richland Creek occurred on February 13, 2020

This Notice of Violation/Notice of Intent to Enforce (NOV/NOI) is being issued for the noted violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than \$25,000.00 may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with terms, conditions or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

Please submit a written response to this Notice of Violation. Your response is to be received by the regional office **within 60 days** following receipt of this violation. A detailed timeline of the immediate response and corrective action taken to abate the bypass by facility staff was submitted along with the 5-day report. The ARO requests the Town include any additional documentation regarding the long-term plan to help prevent further equipment failures. The submittal will be considered in determining whether the Division will assess a civil penalty for the cited violations.



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April 13, 2020

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ISSUE CIVIL PENALTY Tracking Number: NOV-2020-PC-0197 Unauthorized Bypass Permit No. NC0025321 County: Haywood

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

A review has been conducted of the self-reported Bypass 5-Day Report submitted by Mark Jones on <u>March 25,2020</u>. The Division's Asheville Regional Office (ARO) concludes that the Town of Waynesville violated Permit Condition Part II.C.4.c.1: *Bypass from the treatment facility is prohibited and the Permit Issuing Authority may take enforcement action against a Permittee for bypass.*

Specific incident cited in the violation includes the following:

1. A 44000-gallon unauthorized bypass from the primary effluent pump building area to Richland Creek occurred on March 25, 2020.

This Notice of Violation/Notice of Intent to Enforce (NOV/NOI) is being issued for the noted violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than \$25,000.00 may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with terms, conditions or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

Please submit a written response to this Notice of Violation. Your response is to be received by the regional office **within 60 days** following receipt of this violation. The submittal will be considered in determining whether the Division will assess a civil penalty for the cited violations.



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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mikal Willmer with the Water Quality Section of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4686 or via email at mikal.willmer@ncdenr.gov.

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G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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May 26, 2020

Rob Hites, Town Manager Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786

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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ISSUE CIVIL PENALTY Tracking Number: NOV-2020-PC-0425 Unauthorized Bypass Permit No. NC0025321
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Dear Mr. Hites:

A review has been conducted of the self-reported Bypass 5-Day Report submitted by Mark Jones on April 30, 2020. The Division's Asheville Regional Office (ARO) concludes that the Town of Waynesville violated Permit Condition Part II.C.4.c1: *Bypass from the treatment facility is prohibited and the Permit Issuing Authority may take enforcement action against a Permittee for bypass.*

Specific incident cited in the violation includes the following:

A 100,000-gallon unauthorized bypass of partially treated wastewater from the primary effluent pump building area to Richland Creek occurred on April 30, 2020.

This Notice of Violation/Notice of Intent to Enforce (NOV/NOI) is being issued for the noted violation of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than \$25,000.00 may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with terms, conditions or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

Please submit a written response to this Notice of Violation (email is acceptable). Your response is to be received by the regional office **within 60 days** following receipt of this violation. The submittal will be considered in determining whether the Division will assess a civil penalty for the cited violations.



North Caroline Department of Environmental Quality | Division of Water Resources Asheville Regional Office | 2030 U.S. 70 Highway | Swannance, North Carolina 28778 828-296-4500 If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mikal Willmer with the Water Quality Section in the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4686 or via email at mikal.willmer@ncdenr.gov.

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G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES- CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: PC-2020-0019

ASSESSMENT FACTORS

1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;

The extent of harm is unknown. Richland Creek is a Class C water protected for secondary recreational use. Unpermitted bypasses of treatment units to surface waters may be detrimental but not readily quantifiable. No fish kill reported immediately following the bypass.

2) The duration and gravity of the violation;

Approximately 35,000 gallons and 70,000 gallons of primary effluent discharged to Richland Creek on February 11 and 13, 2020, respectively.

3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;

The effect on surface water is unknown. Unpermitted bypasses of treatment units to surface waters may be detrimental but not readily quantifiable. No fish kill reported immediately following the bypass.

4) The cost of rectifying the damage;

Exact costs of corrective action are unknown.

5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;

The exact amount of money saved by noncompliance is unknown. Money saved would include the costs of upgrades to the treatment units of the facility.

6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;

We do not believe the violation was committed willfully or intentionally. Many of the treatment components are reaching the end of their useable life span and need replacement. The Town has applied for an SOC and it is currently in draft.

7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and There have been zero (0) civil penalties for bypasses within the previous 12 months and one (1) civil per

There have been zero (0) civil penalties for bypasses within the previous 12 months and one (1) civil penalty for a bypass in the previous five years.

8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures. \$130.37

6/17/2020

Date

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G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ ROY COOPER Governor MICHAEL S. REGAN Secretary S. DANIEL SMITH Director



NORTH CAROLINA Environmental Quality

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June 16, 2020

Gary Caldwell Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6) and NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 Town of Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. PC-2020-0019 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$2,630.37 (\$2,500 civil penalty + \$130.37 enforcement costs) against the Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: An unpermitted bypass of 35,000 gallons of primary effluent to Richland Creek from the Waynesville WWTP occurred on February 11, 2020. An additional unpermitted bypass of 75,000 gallons of primary effluent to Richland Creek from the Waynesville WWTP occurred on February 13, 2020. A review of the 5-day reports, discussions with facility staff and response to the Notice of Violation and Intent to Issue Civil Penalty (NOV-2020-PC-0171) have shown the subject facility to be in violation of the conditions and limitations found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321. The violations reported and reviewed by the Division are summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that the Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).

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Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Office Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against the Town of Waynesville :

- <u>\$1,000.00</u> For <u>1</u> of <u>1</u> violation of the conditions and limitations specified in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, through an unpermitted bypass of primary effluent to Richland Creek on February 11, 2020.
- <u>\$1,500.00</u> For <u>1</u> of <u>1</u> violation of the conditions and limitations specified in NPDES WWP Permit No. NC0025321 through an unpermitted bypass of primary effluent to Richland Creek on February 13, 2020.

\$2,500.00 TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY

<u>\$130.37</u> Enforcement Costs

<u>\$2,630.37</u> TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A(c), in determining the amount of the penalty I have taken into account the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the factors set forth at G.S. 143B-282.1(b), which are:

- (1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;
- (2) The duration and gravity of the violation;
- (3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;
- (4) The cost of rectifying the damage;
- (5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;
- (6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;
- (7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and
- (8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you must do one of the following:

- (1) Submit payment of the penalty, **OR**
- (2) Submit a written request for remission, OR
- (3) Submit a written request for an administrative hearing

Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

Payment should be made directly to the order of the Department of Environmental Quality (*do not include waiver form*). Payment of the penalty will not foreclose further enforcement action for any continuing or new violation(s). Please submit payment to the attention of:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 2: Submit a written request for remission or mitigation including a detailed justification for such request:

Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) whether one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) was wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner;
- (2) whether the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation;
- (3) whether the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident;
- (4) whether the violator had been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations; or
- (5) whether payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions.

Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

In order to request remission, you must complete and submit the enclosed "Request for Remission of Civil Penalties, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts" form within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. The Division of Water Resources also requests that you complete and submit the enclosed "Justification for Remission Request."

Both forms should be submitted to the following address:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617 DocuSign Envelope ID: E0F5E455-B9DF-4940-990E-858EF97FB2F2

Option 3: File a petition for an administrative hearing with the Office of Administrative Hearings:

If you wish to contest any statement in the attached assessment document you must file a petition for an administrative hearing. You may obtain the petition form from the Office of Administrative Hearings. You must file the petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. A petition is considered filed when it is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings during normal office hours. The Office of Administrative Hearings accepts filings Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for official state holidays. The petition may be filed by facsimile (fax) or electronic mail by an attached file (with restrictions) - provided the signed original, one (1) copy and a filing fee (if a filing fee is required by NCGS §150B-23.2) is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings within seven (7) business days following the faxed or electronic transmission. You should contact the Office of Administrative Hearings with all questions regarding the filing fee and/or the details of the filing process.

The mailing address and telephone and fax numbers for the Office of Administrative Hearings are as follows:

6714 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 6714 Tel: (919) 431-3000 Fax: (919) 431-3100

One (1) copy of the petition must also be served on DEQ as follows:

Mr. William F. Lane, General Counsel Department of Environmental Quality 1601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1601

Please indicate the case number (as found on page one of this letter) on the petition.

Failure to exercise one of the options above within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, as evidenced by an internal date/time received stamp (not a postmark), will result in this matter being referred to the Attorney General's Office for collection of the penalty through a civil action. Please be advised that additional penalties may be assessed for violations that occur after the review period of this assessment.

If you have any questions, please contact Mikal Willmer with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4500 or via email at mikal.willmer@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

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G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

ATTACHMENTS: Justification for Remission Request Attachment A

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JUSTIFICATION FOR REMISSION REQUEST

Case Number: PC-2020-0019	County: Haywood		
Assessed Party: Town of Waynesville			
Permit No.: NC0025321	Amount Assessed: <u>\$2,630.37</u>		

Please use this form when requesting remission of this civil penalty. You must also complete the *"Request For Remission, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts"* form to request remission of this civil penalty. You should attach any documents that you believe support your request and are necessary for the Director to consider in evaluating your request for remission. Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143B-282.1(c), remission of a civil penalty may be granted only when one or more of the following five factors apply. Please check each factor that you believe applies to your case and provide a detailed explanation, including copies of supporting documents, as to why the factor applies (attach additional pages as needed).

- (a) one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in N.C.G.S. 143B-282.1(b) were wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner *(the assessment factors are listed in the civil penalty assessment document)*;
- (b) the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation (*i.e., explain the steps that you took to correct the violation and prevent future occurrences*);
- (c) the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident (*i.e., explain why the violation was unavoidable or something you could not prevent or prepare for*);
- (d) the violator had not been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations;
- (e) payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions *(i.e., explain how payment of the civil penalty will prevent you from performing the activities necessary to achieve compliance*).

EXPLANATION:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA		DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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IN THE MATTER OF ASSESSMENT)	WAIVER OF RIGHT TO AN
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Having been assessed civil penalties totaling \$2,630.37 for violation(s) as set forth in the assessment document of the Division of Water Resources dated June 16, 2020, the undersigned, desiring to seek remission of the civil penalty, does hereby waive the right to an administrative hearing in the above-stated matter and does stipulate that the facts are as alleged in the assessment document. The undersigned further understands that all evidence presented in support of remission of this civil penalty must be submitted to the Director of the Division of Water Resources within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice of assessment. No new evidence in support of a remission request will be allowed after (30) days from the receipt of the notice of assessment.

This the	day of	, 20

SIGNATURE

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: PC-2020-0019

PERMIT NO: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

VIOLATION DATE	AREA	VIOLATION TYPE	VIOLATION DESCRIPTION	PENALTY AMOUNT
02/11/2020	Primary Clarifier	Unauthorized Bypass	35,000-gallon unpermitted bypass of primary effluent to Richland Creek occurred from the the Waynesville WWTP.	\$1000.00
02/13/2020	Primary Clarifier	Unauthorized Bypass	70,000-gallon unpermitted bypass of primary Effluent to Richland Creek occurred from the Waynesville WWTP.	\$1500.00



DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES- CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: PC-2020-0020

ASSESSMENT FACTORS

1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;

The extent of harm is unknown. Richland Creek is a Class C water protected for secondary recreational use. Unpermitted bypasses of treatment units to surface waters may be detrimental but not readily quantifiable. No fish kill reported immediately following the bypass.

- The duration and gravity of the violation; Approximately 44,000 gallons of primary effluent discharged to Richland Creek on March 25, 2020.
- 3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality; The effect on surface water is unknown. Unpermitted bypasses of treatment units to surface waters may be detrimental but not readily quantifiable. No fish kill reported immediately following the bypass.
- 4) The cost of rectifying the damage;

Exact costs of corrective action are unknown.

5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;

The exact amount of money saved by noncompliance is unknown. Money saved would include the costs of upgrades to the treatment units of the facility.

6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;

We do not believe the violation was committed willfully or intentionally. Many of the treatment components are reaching the end of their useable life span and need replacement. The Town has applied for an SOC and it is currently in draft.

- 7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and There has been one (1) civil penalty for a bypass within the previous 12 months and two (2) civil penalties for bypasses in the previous five years.
- The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures. \$130.37

6/19/2020

Date

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G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ ROY COOPER Governor MICHAEL S. REGAN Secretary S. DANIEL SMITH Director



NORTH CAROLINA Environmental Quality

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June 17, 2020

Gary Caldwell Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6) and NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 Town of Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. PC-2020-0020 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$1,380.37 (\$1,250 civil penalty + \$130.37 enforcement costs) against the Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: An unpermitted bypass of 44,000 gallons of primary effluent to Richland Creek from the Waynesville WWTP occurred on March 25, 2020. A review of the 5-day reports, discussions with facility staff and response to the Notice of Violation and Intent to Issue Civil Penalty (NOV-2020-PC-0197) have shown the subject facility to be in violation of the conditions and limitations found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321. The violation reported and reviewed by the Division is summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that the Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).

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Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Office Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against the Town of Waynesville :

- <u>\$1,250.00</u> For <u>1</u> of <u>1</u> violation of the conditions and limitations specified in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, through an unpermitted bypass of primary effluent to Richland Creek on March 25, 2020
- \$1,250.00 TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY
- <u>\$130.37</u> Enforcement Costs
- <u>\$1,380.37</u> **TOTAL AMOUNT DUE**

Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A(c), in determining the amount of the penalty I have taken into account the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the factors set forth at G.S. 143B-282.1(b), which are:

- (1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;
- (2) The duration and gravity of the violation;
- (3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;
- (4) The cost of rectifying the damage;
- (5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;
- (6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;
- (7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and
- (8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you must do one of the following:

- (1) Submit payment of the penalty, OR
- (2) Submit a written request for remission, OR
- (3) Submit a written request for an administrative hearing

Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

Payment should be made directly to the order of the Department of Environmental Quality (*do not include waiver form*). Payment of the penalty will not foreclose further enforcement action for any continuing or new violation(s). Please submit payment to the attention of:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 2: Submit a written request for remission or mitigation including a detailed justification for such request:

Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) whether one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) was wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner;
- (2) whether the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation;
- (3) whether the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident;
- (4) whether the violator had been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations; or
- (5) whether payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions.

Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

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Both forms should be submitted to the following address:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617 DocuSign Envelope ID: 863D0078-4766-4364-8755-8BB0BC29AF36

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The mailing address and telephone and fax numbers for the Office of Administrative Hearings are as follows:

6714 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 6714 Tel: (919) 431-3000 Fax: (919) 431-3100

One (1) copy of the petition must also be served on DEQ as follows:

Mr. William F. Lane, General Counsel Department of Environmental Quality 1601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1601

Please indicate the case number (as found on page one of this letter) on the petition.

Failure to exercise one of the options above within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, as evidenced by an internal date/time received stamp (not a postmark), will result in this matter being referred to the Attorney General's Office for collection of the penalty through a civil action. Please be advised that additional penalties may be assessed for violations that occur after the review period of this assessment.

If you have any questions, please contact Mikal Willmer with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4500 or via email at mikal.willmer@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

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G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

ATTACHMENTS: Justification for Remission Request Attachment A

EC: LF

JUSTIFICATION FOR REMISSION REQUEST

Case Number: PC-2020-0020	County: Haywood
Assessed Party: Town of Waynesville	
Permit No.: NC0025321	Amount Assessed: <u>\$1380.37</u>

Please use this form when requesting remission of this civil penalty. You must also complete the *"Request For Remission, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts"* form to request remission of this civil penalty. You should attach any documents that you believe support your request and are necessary for the Director to consider in evaluating your request for remission. Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143B-282.1(c), remission of a civil penalty may be granted only when one or more of the following five factors apply. Please check each factor that you believe applies to your case and provide a detailed explanation, including copies of supporting documents, as to why the factor applies (attach additional pages as needed).

- (a) one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in N.C.G.S. 143B-282.1(b) were wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner *(the assessment factors are listed in the civil penalty assessment document)*;
- (b) the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation (*i.e., explain the steps that you took to correct the violation and prevent future occurrences*);
- (c) the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident (*i.e., explain why the violation was unavoidable or something you could not prevent or prepare for*);
- (d) the violator had not been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations;
- (e) payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions *(i.e., explain how payment of the civil penalty will prevent you from performing the activities necessary to achieve compliance*).

EXPLANATION:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA		DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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IN THE MATTER OF ASSESSMENT)	WAIVER OF RIGHT TO AN
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PERMIT NO. NC0025321)	CASE NO. <u>PC-2020-0020</u>
Having been assessed civil penalties totaling <u>\$1380.</u> of Water Resources dated <u>June 17, 2020</u> , the undersi	<u>37</u> for viol gned, desi	ation(s) as set forth in the assessment document of the Division ring to seek remission of the civil penalty, does hereby waive the

right to an administrative hearing in the above-stated matter and does stipulate that the facts are as alleged in the assessment document. The undersigned further understands that all evidence presented in support of remission of this civil penalty must be submitted to the Director of the Division of Water Resources within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice of assessment. No new evidence in support of a remission request will be allowed after (30) days from the receipt of the notice of assessment.

This the	_ day of	 , 20	_

SIGNATURE

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TELEPHONE

ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: PC-2020-0020

PERMIT NO: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

VIOLATION DATE	AREA	VIOLATION TYPE	VIOLATION DESCRIPTION	PENALTY AMOUNT
03/25/2020	Primary Clarifier	Unauthorized Bypass	44,000-gallon unpermitted bypass of primary effluent to Richland Creek occurred from the the Waynesville WWTP.	\$1250.00



DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES- CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: PC-2020-0028

ASSESSMENT FACTORS

1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;

The extent of harm is unknown. Richland Creek is a Class C water protected for secondary recreational use. Unpermitted bypasses of treatment units to surface waters may be detrimental but not readily quantifiable. No fish kill reported immediately following the bypass.

- The duration and gravity of the violation; Approximately 100,000 gallons of primary effluent discharged to Richland Creek on April 30, 2020.
- 3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality; The effect on surface water is unknown. Unpermitted bypasses of treatment units to surface waters may be detrimental but not readily quantifiable. No fish kill reported immediately following the bypass.
- 4) The cost of rectifying the damage;

Exact costs of corrective action are unknown.

5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;

The exact amount of money saved by noncompliance is unknown. Money saved would include the costs of upgrades to the treatment units of the facility.

6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;

We do not believe the violation was committed willfully or intentionally. Many of the treatment components are reaching the end of their useable life span and need replacement. The Town has applied for an SOC and it is currently in draft.

- 7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and There have been (2) civil penalties for a bypass within the previous 12 months.
- 8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures. \$130.37

8/5/2020

Date

DocuSigned by: 7E617A38285848C.

G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ ROY COOPER Governor MICHAEL S. REGAN Secretary S. DANIEL SMITH Director



NORTH CAROLINA Environmental Quality

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August 3, 2020

Gary Caldwell Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6) and NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 Town of Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. PC-2020-0028 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$3,130.37 (\$3,000 civil penalty + \$130.37 enforcement costs) against the Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: An unpermitted bypass of 100,000 gallons of primary effluent to Richland Creek from the Waynesville WWTP occurred on April 30, 2020. A review of the 5-day reports, discussions with facility staff and response to the Notice of Violation and Intent to Issue Civil Penalty (NOV-2020-PC-0245) have shown the subject facility to be in violation of the conditions and limitations found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321. The violation reported and reviewed by the Division is summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that the Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).

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Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Office Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against the Town of Waynesville :

- <u>\$3,000.00</u> For <u>1</u> of <u>1</u> violation of the conditions and limitations specified in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, through an unpermitted bypass of primary effluent to Richland Creek on April 30, 2020
- \$3,000.00 TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY
- <u>\$130.37</u> Enforcement Costs
- <u>\$3,130.37</u> TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A(c), in determining the amount of the penalty I have taken into account the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the factors set forth at G.S. 143B-282.1(b), which are:

- (1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;
- (2) The duration and gravity of the violation;
- (3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;
- (4) The cost of rectifying the damage;
- (5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;
- (6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;
- (7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and
- (8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you must do one of the following:

- (1) Submit payment of the penalty, **OR**
- (2) Submit a written request for remission, **OR**
- (3) Submit a written request for an administrative hearing

Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

Payment should be made directly to the order of the Department of Environmental Quality (*do not include waiver form*). Payment of the penalty will not foreclose further enforcement action for any continuing or new violation(s). Please submit payment to the attention of:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 2: Submit a written request for remission or mitigation including a detailed justification for such request:

Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) whether one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) was wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner;
- (2) whether the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation;
- (3) whether the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident;
- (4) whether the violator had been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations; or
- (5) whether payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions.

Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

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If you have any questions, please contact Mikal Willmer with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4500 or via email at mikal.willmer@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: 7E617A38285848C

G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

ATTACHMENTS: Justification for Remission Request Attachment A

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JUSTIFICATION FOR REMISSION REQUEST

Case Number: PC-2020-0028	County: Haywood
Assessed Party: Town of Waynesville	
Permit No.: NC0025321	Amount Assessed: <u>\$3,130.37</u>

Please use this form when requesting remission of this civil penalty. You must also complete the *"Request For Remission, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts"* form to request remission of this civil penalty. You should attach any documents that you believe support your request and are necessary for the Director to consider in evaluating your request for remission. Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143B-282.1(c), remission of a civil penalty may be granted only when one or more of the following five factors apply. Please check each factor that you believe applies to your case and provide a detailed explanation, including copies of supporting documents, as to why the factor applies (attach additional pages as needed).

- (a) one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in N.C.G.S. 143B-282.1(b) were wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner *(the assessment factors are listed in the civil penalty assessment document)*;
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PERMIT NO. NC0025321)	CASE NO. <u>PC-2020-0028</u>

Having been assessed civil penalties totaling <u>\$3,130.37</u> for violation(s) as set forth in the assessment document of the Division of Water Resources dated <u>August 3, 2020</u>, the undersigned, desiring to seek remission of the civil penalty, does hereby waive the right to an administrative hearing in the above-stated matter and does stipulate that the facts are as alleged in the assessment document. The undersigned further understands that all evidence presented in support of remission of this civil penalty must be submitted to the Director of the Division of Water Resources within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice of assessment. No new evidence in support of a remission request will be allowed after (30) days from the receipt of the notice of assessment.

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ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: PC-2020-0028

PERMIT NO: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

VIOLATION DATE	AREA	VIOLATION TYPE	VIOLATION DESCRIPTION	PENALTY AMOUNT
04/30/2020	Primary Clarifier	Unauthorized Bypass	100,000-gallon unpermitted bypass of primary effluent to Richland Creek occurred from the the Waynesville WWTP.	\$3000.00

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Your item has been delivered and is available at a PO Box at 9:12 am on August 10, 2020 in WAYNESVILLE, NC 28786.

Status:

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August 10, 2020 at 9:12 am Delivered, PO Box WAYNESVILLE, NC 28786 Printed August 14, 2020 for Mikal Willmer re: PC-2020-0028



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ROY COOPER Covernor MICHAEL S. REGAN Secretary S. DANIEL SMITH Director

NORTH CAROLINA Environmental Quality

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November 24, 2020

Gavin A Brown Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY

Tracking Number: NOV-2020-MV-0152 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

A review of the September 2020 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Monitoring Violation(s):

Sample Location	Parameter	Date	Monitoring Frequency	Type of Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/22/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/23/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/24/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/25/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/26/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation



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Monitoring Violation(s):

Sample Location	Parameter	Date	Monitoring Frequency	Type of Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/27/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/28/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/29/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation
001 Influent	Flow, in conduit or thru treatment plant (50050)	9/30/2020	Continuous	Frequency Violation
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A Notice of Violation/Intent to Issue Civil Penalty is being issued for the noted violation of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES WW Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with the terms, conditions, or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

If you wish to provide additional information regarding the noted violation, request technical assistance, or discuss overall compliance please respond in writing <u>within ten (10) business days</u> after receipt of this Notice. A review of your response will be considered along with any information provided on the submitted Monitoring Report(s). You will then be notified of any civil penalties that may be assessed regarding the violations. **If no response is received in this Office within the 10-day period, a civil penalty assessment may be prepared.**

Remedial actions should have already been taken to correct this problem and prevent further occurrences in the future. The Division of Water Resources may pursue enforcement action for this and any additional violations of State law. If the violations are of a continuing nature, not related to operation and/or maintenance problems, and you anticipate remedial construction activities, then you may wish to consider applying for a Special Order by Consent.

Reminder: Pursuant to Permit <u>Condition 6 in Section E</u>, the Permittee is required to verbally notify the Regional Office as soon as possible, not to exceed 24 hours, from first knowledge of any non-compliance at the facility including limit violations, bypasses of, or failure of a treatment unit. A written report may be required within 5 days if directed by Division staff. Prior notice should be given for anticipated or potential problems due to planned maintenance activities, taking units off-line, etc.



North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality | Division of Water Resources Asheville Regional Office | 2090 U.S. 70 Highway | Swannanos, North Carolina 28778 825-296-4500 If you have any questions concerning this matter or to apply for an SOC, please contact Mikal Willmer of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4686 or via email at mikal.willmer@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss E397192DABFB4FF.

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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Jeff Stines, Public Services Director



North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality | Division of Water Resources Asheville Regional Office | 2090 U.S. 70 Highway | Swannanoa, North Carolina 28778 828-296-4500
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April 21, 2021

Jeff Stines Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION

EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2021-LV-0260 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the **February 2021** Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation indicated below:

Limit Exceedance Violation:

Parameter	Date	Interim Limit	Reported Value	Violation Type	
Solids, Total Suspended- concentration (CO530)	2/28/2021	45 mg/L	59.05 mg/L	Monthly Average Exceeded	

You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due.



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If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in <u>writing (email is acceptable)</u> to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 828-296-4500 or Mikal Willmer at 828-296-4686 or via email at mikal.willmer@ncdern.gov

Sincerely,

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G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ



ROY COOPER Governor DIONNE DELLI-GATTI Secretary S. DANIEL SMITH Director



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May 10, 2021

Gavin A Brown Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2021-LV-0334 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the **March 2021** Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Limit Exceedance Violation(s):

Sample Location	Parameter	Date	Limit Value	Reported Value	Type of Violation
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	3/20/2021	100	126.6	Weekly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	3/31/2021	45	72.83	Monthly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	3/27/2021	45	63.8	Weekly Average Exceeded
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	3/31/2021	30	40.26	Monthly Average Exceeded



Relating to the TSS Violations - SOC:

You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due.

If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in <u>writing (email is acceptable)</u> to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

Relating to the BOD violations:

A Notice of Violation/Intent to Issue Civil Penalty is being issued for the noted violation of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES WW Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with the terms, conditions, or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

If you wish to provide additional information regarding the noted violation, request technical assistance, or discuss overall compliance please respond in writing <u>within ten (10) business days</u> after receipt of this Notice. A review of your response will be considered along with any information provided on the submitted Monitoring Report(s). You will then be notified of any civil penalties that may be assessed regarding the violations. **If no response is received in this Office within the 10-day period, a civil penalty assessment may be prepared.**

Remedial actions should have already been taken to correct this problem and prevent further occurrences in the future. The Division of Water Resources may pursue enforcement action for this and any additional violations of State law.

Reminder: Pursuant to Permit <u>Condition 6 in Section E</u>, the Permittee is required to verbally notify the Regional Office as soon as possible, not to exceed 24 hours, from first knowledge of any non-compliance at the facility including limit violations, bypasses of, or failure of a treatment unit. A written report may be required within 5 days if directed by Division staff. Prior notice should be given for anticipated or potential problems due to planned maintenance activities, taking units off-line, etc.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4500.

Sincerely,

-DocuSigned by: Danuel Boss

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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June 9, 2021

Gary Caldwell Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2021-LV-0441 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the **April 2021** Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Limit Exceedance Violation(s):

Sample Location	Parameter	Date	Limit Value	Reported Value	d Type of Violation
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	4/30/2021	45	64.1	Monthly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	4/30/2021	30	34.43	Monthly Average Exceeded



Relating to the TSS Violation – SOC:

You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due.

If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in <u>writing (email is acceptable)</u> to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

Relating to the BOD Violation:

A Notice of Violation/Intent to Issue Civil Penalty is being issued for the noted violation of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES WW Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with the terms, conditions, or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

If you wish to provide additional information regarding the noted violation, request technical assistance, or discuss overall compliance please respond in writing <u>within ten (10) business days</u> after receipt of this Notice. A review of your response will be considered along with any information provided on the submitted Monitoring Report(s). You will then be notified of any civil penalties that may be assessed regarding the violations. **If no response is received in this Office within the 10-day period, a civil penalty assessment may be prepared.**

Remedial actions should have already been taken to correct this problem and prevent further occurrences in the future. The Division of Water Resources may pursue enforcement action for this and any additional violations of State law. If the violations are of a continuing nature, not related to operation and/or maintenance problems, and you anticipate remedial construction activities, then you may wish to consider applying for a Special Order by Consent.

Reminder: Pursuant to Permit <u>Condition 6 in Section E</u>, the Permittee is required to verbally notify the Regional Office as soon as possible, not to exceed 24 hours, from first knowledge of any non-compliance at the facility including limit violations, bypasses of, or failure of a treatment unit. A written report may be required within 5 days if directed by Division staff. Prior notice should be given for anticipated or potential problems due to planned maintenance activities, taking units off-line, etc.



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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss E397192DABFB4FF

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES - CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: <u>SP-2021-0002</u>

ASSESSMENT FACTORS

1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;

The extent of harm is unknown. All effluent violations may be detrimental to the receiving stream but may not be immediately quantifiable. No assessment for SOC violations.

2) The duration and gravity of the violation;

BOD exceeded the weekly and monthly average permit limits by 31.8% and 41.2%, respectively. No assessment for SOC violations.

3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;

The effect on surface water is unknown. All effluent violations may be detrimental to the receiving stream but may not be immediately quantifiable. No assessment for SOC violations.

4) The cost of rectifying the damage;

The cost of rectifying the damage is unknown. No assessment for SOC violations.

- 5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance; The amount of money saved by noncompliance is unknown. No assessment for SOC violations.
- 6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally; We do not believe the violation was committed willfully or intentionally. The facility is currently under a SOC and an AtoC was submitted in April 2021. No assessment for SOC violations.
- 7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and There have been three CPAs issued in the past 12 months.
- 8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

\$124.43

6/8/2021

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Date

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ



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June 09, 2021

Gavin A Brown Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

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Director

JOHN NICHOLSON Interim Secretary S. DANIEL SMITH

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6), NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, and SOC WQ S19-005 Town of Waynesville Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. SP-2021-0002 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$5,024.43 (\$4,900.00 civil penalty + \$124.43 enforcement costs) against Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: a review has been conducted of the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) submitted by Town of Waynesville for the month of March 2021. This review has shown the subject facility to be in violation of the discharge limitations and/or monitoring requirements found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and SOC WQS19-005. The violations, which occurred in March 2021, are summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6), and SOC WQ S19-005 in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).



North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality - Townion of Water Revolution Advertige Regional Office | 2040 U.S. Highway 70 | Awannanica, North Carolina 267/0 876 246 4500 Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against Town of Waynesville:

<u>\$2,400.00</u>	<u>1</u> of 1 violations of G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) and Permit No. NC0025321, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Monthly Average for <u>BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg.</u> <u>C) - Concentration</u>
<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>1</u> of 1 violations of SOC WQS19-005, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Monthly Average for <u>Solids, Total Suspended</u> <u>- Concentration</u>
<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>1</u> of 1 violations of G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) and Permit No. NC0025321, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Weekly Average for <u>BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C)</u> <u>- Concentration</u>
<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>1</u> of 1 violations of SOC WQS19-005, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Weekly Average for <u>Solids, Total Suspended</u> <u>- Concentration</u>
\$4,900.00	TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY

<u>\$124.43</u> Enforcement Costs

\$5,024.43 TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A(c), in determining the amount of the penalty I have taken into account the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the factors set forth at G.S. 143B-282.1(b), which are:

- (1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;
- (2) The duration and gravity of the violation;
- (3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;
- (4) The cost of rectifying the damage;
- (5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;
- (6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;
- (7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and
- (8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you must do one of the following:

- (1) Submit payment of the penalty, OR
- (2) Submit a written request for remission, **OR**
- (3) Submit a written request for an administrative hearing

Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

Payment should be made directly to the order of the Department of Environmental Quality (*do not include waiver form*). Payment of the penalty will not foreclose further enforcement action for any continuing or new violation(s). Please submit payment to the attention of:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 2: Submit a written request for remission or mitigation including a detailed justification for such Request (Option not available for SOC Limit Violations):

Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) whether one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) was wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner;
- (2) whether the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation;
- (3) whether the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident;
- (4) whether the violator had been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations; or
- (5) whether payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions.

Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

In order to request remission, you must complete and submit the enclosed "Request for Remission of Civil Penalties, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts" form within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. The Division of Water Resources also requests that you complete and submit the enclosed "Justification for Remission Request."

Both forms should be submitted to the following address:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 3: File a petition for an administrative hearing with the Office of Administrative Hearings (Option not available for SOC Limit Violations):

If you wish to contest any statement in the attached assessment document, you must file a petition for an administrative hearing. You may obtain the petition form from the Office of Administrative Hearings. You must file the petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. A petition is considered filed when it is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings during normal office hours. The Office of Administrative Hearings accepts filings Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for official state holidays. The petition may be filed by facsimile (fax) or electronic mail by an attached file (with restrictions) - provided the signed original, one (1) copy and a filing fee (if a filing fee is required by NCGS §150B-23.2) is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings within seven (7) business days following the faxed or electronic transmission. You should contact the Office of Administrative Hearings with all questions regarding the filing fee and/or the details of the filing process.

The mailing address and telephone and fax numbers for the Office of Administrative Hearings are as follows:

6714 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 6714 Tel: (919) 431-3000 Fax: (919) 431-3100

One (1) copy of the petition must also be served on DEQ as follows:

Mr. William F. Lane, General Counsel Department of Environmental Quality 1601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1601

Please indicate the case number (as found on page one of this letter) on the petition.

Failure to exercise one of the options above within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, as evidenced by an internal date/time received stamp (not a postmark), will result in this matter being referred to the Attorney General's Office for collection of the penalty through a civil action. Please be advised that additional penalties may be assessed for violations that occur after the review period of this assessment.

If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Armeni with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4667 or via email at lauren.armeni@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss E397192DABFB4FF

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A

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JUSTIFICATION FOR REMISSION REQUEST

Case Number:	SP-2021-0002	County:	Haywood
Assessed Party:	Town of Waynesville		
Permit No.:	NC0025321	Amount Assessed:	\$5,024.43

Please use this form when requesting remission of this civil penalty. You must also complete the *"Request For Remission, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts"* form to request remission of this civil penalty. You should attach any documents that you believe support your request and are necessary for the Director to consider in evaluating your request for remission. Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143B-282.1(c), remission of a civil penalty may be granted only when one or more of the following five factors apply. Please check each factor that you believe applies to your case and provide a detailed explanation, including copies of supporting documents, as to why the factor applies (attach additional pages as needed).

- (a) one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in N.C.G.S. 143B-282.1(b) were wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner *(the assessment factors are listed in the civil penalty assessment document)*;
- (b) the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation (*i.e., explain the steps that you took to correct the violation and prevent future occurrences*);
- (c) the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident (*i.e., explain why the violation was unavoidable or something you could not prevent or prepare for*);
- (d) the violator had not been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations;
- (e) payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions *(i.e., explain how payment of the civil penalty will prevent you from performing the activities necessary to achieve compliance*).

EXPLANATION:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA		DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
COUNTY OF HAYWOOD		
IN THE MATTER OF ASSESSMENT)	WAIVER OF RIGHT TO AN
OF CIVIL PENALTIES AGAINST)	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING AND
)	STIPULATION OF FACTS
Town of Waynesville)	
Waynesville WWTP)	
PERMIT NO. NC0025321))	CASE NO. <u>SP-2021-0002</u>

Having been assessed civil penalties totaling <u>\$5,024.43</u> for violation(s) as set forth in the assessment document of the Division of Water Resources dated <u>June 9, 2021</u>, the undersigned, desiring to seek remission of the civil penalty, does hereby waive the right to an administrative hearing in the above-stated matter and does stipulate that the facts are as alleged in the assessment document. The undersigned further understands that all evidence presented in support of remission of this civil penalty must be submitted to the Director of the Division of Water Resources within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice of assessment. No new evidence in support of a remission request will be allowed after (30) days from the receipt of the notice of assessment.

This the	day of		, 20
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ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: SP-2021-0002

PERMIT: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

LIMIT VIOLATION(S)

SAMPLE LOCATION: Outfall 001 - Effluent

Violation Date	Report Month/Yr	Parameter	Frequency	Unit of Measure	Limit Value	Calculated Value	% Over Limit	Violation Type	Penalty Amount
3/27/2021	3-2021	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	63.8	41.8	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$1,000.00
3/31/2021	3-2021	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	30	40.26	34.2	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$2,400.00
3/20/2021	3-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration Exceeded SOC LVs	5 X week	mg/l	100	126.6	26.6	Weekly Average	\$500.00
3/31/2021	3-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration Exceeded SOC LVs	5 X week	mg/l	45	72.83	61.8	Monthly Average	\$1,000.00

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July 1, 2021

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2021-LV-0488 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the May 2021 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Limit Exceedance Violation(s):

Sample Location	Parameter	Date	Limit Value	Reported Value	Type of Violation
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	5/1/2021	100	118.2	Weekly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	5/8/2021	100	112.4	Weekly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	5/31/2021	45	68.45	Monthly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	5/31/2021	30	32.15	Monthly Average Exceeded



Relating to the TSS Violations – SOC:

You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due. If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in writing (email is acceptable) to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

Relating to the BOD Violation:

A Notice of Violation/Intent to Issue Civil Penalty is being issued for the noted violation of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES WW Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with the terms, conditions, or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

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Remedial actions should have already been taken to correct this problem and prevent further occurrences in the future. The Division of Water Resources may pursue enforcement action for this and any additional violations of State law. If the violations are of a continuing nature, not related to operation and/or maintenance problems, and you anticipate remedial construction activities, then you may wish to consider applying for a Special Order by Consent.

Reminder: Pursuant to Permit <u>Condition 6 in Section E</u>, the Permittee is required to verbally notify the Regional Office as soon as possible, not to exceed 24 hours, from first knowledge of any non-compliance at the facility including limit violations, bypasses of, or failure of a treatment unit. A written report may be required within 5 days if directed by Division staff. Prior notice should be given for anticipated or potential problems due to planned maintenance activities, taking units off-line, etc.

If you have any questions concerning this matter or to apply for an SOC, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by Daniel Boss

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES - CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: <u>SP-2021-0005</u>

ASSESSMENT FACTORS

- The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation; No assessment for SOC limit violations. No penalties are being assessed for the BOD monthly average limit violation.
- 2) The duration and gravity of the violation; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The cost of rectifying the damage; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The amount of money saved by noncompliance; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- 6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- 7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- 8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

\$124.43

7/22/2021

Date

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Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ ROY COOPER Governor ELIZABETH S. BISER Sectorary S. DANIEL SMITH Director



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July 22, 2021

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6) and NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, and SOC WQ S19-005 Town of Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. SP-2021-0005 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$2,124.43 (\$2,000.00 civil penalty + \$124.43 enforcement costs) against Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: a review has been conducted of the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) submitted by Town of Waynesville for the month of May 2021. This review has shown the subject facility to be in violation of the discharge limitations and/or monitoring requirements found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and SOC WQ S19-005. The violations, which occurred in May 2021, are summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6), and SOC WQ S19-005 in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).



North Carolina Dispartment of Environmental Quality | Thysiae of Water Resources Astrentific Regional Office | 2010 U.S. Higtway (0) | Swannamoa, Sorth Carolina 201//fl 878:296-4500 Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, G. Landon Davidson, P.G., Regional Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against Town of Waynesville:

- <u>\$0.00</u> <u>0</u> of 1 violations of G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) and Permit No. NC0025321, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Monthly Average for <u>BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg.</u>
 <u>C) Concentration</u>
- \$1,000.00
 1 of 1 violations of SOC WQ S10-005, by discharging waste water

 into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Monthly Average for Solids, Total Suspended

 Concentration
- \$1,000.00
 2 of 2 violations of SOC WQ S10-005, by discharging waste water

 into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Weekly Average for Solids, Total Suspended

 Concentration
- \$2,000.00 TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY
- <u>\$124.43</u> Enforcement Costs
- <u>\$2,124.43</u> **TOTAL AMOUNT DUE**

Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A(c), in determining the amount of the penalty I have taken into account the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the factors set forth at G.S. 143B-282.1(b), which are:

- (1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;
- (2) The duration and gravity of the violation;
- (3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;
- (4) The cost of rectifying the damage;
- (5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;
- (6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;
- (7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and
- (8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you must do one of the following:

- (1) Submit payment of the penalty, **OR**
- (2) Submit a written request for remission, **OR**
- (3) Submit a written request for an administrative hearing

Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

Payment should be made directly to the order of the Department of Environmental Quality (*do not include waiver form*). Payment of the penalty will not foreclose further enforcement action for any continuing or new violation(s). Please submit payment to the attention of:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 2: Submit a written request for remission or mitigation including a detailed justification for such request (Option not available for SOC Limit Violations):

Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) whether one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) was wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner;
- (2) whether the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation;
- (3) whether the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident;
- (4) whether the violator had been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations; or
- (5) whether payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions.

Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

In order to request remission, you must complete and submit the enclosed "Request for Remission of Civil Penalties, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts" form within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. The Division of Water Resources also requests that you complete and submit the enclosed "Justification for Remission Request."

Both forms should be submitted to the following address:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 3: File a petition for an administrative hearing with the Office of Administrative Hearings (Option not available for SOC Limit Violations):

If you wish to contest any statement in the attached assessment document, you must file a petition for an administrative hearing. You may obtain the petition form from the Office of Administrative Hearings. You must file the petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. A petition is considered filed when it is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings during normal office hours. The Office of Administrative Hearings accepts filings Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for official state holidays. The petition may be filed by facsimile (fax) or electronic mail by an attached file (with restrictions) - provided the signed original, one (1) copy and a filing fee (if a filing fee is required by NCGS §150B-23.2) is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings within seven (7) business days following the faxed or electronic transmission. You should contact the Office of Administrative Hearings with all questions regarding the filing fee and/or the details of the filing process.

The mailing address and telephone and fax numbers for the Office of Administrative Hearings are as follows:

6714 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 6714 Tel: (919) 431-3000 Fax: (919) 431-3100

One (1) copy of the petition must also be served on DEQ as follows:

Mr. William F. Lane, General Counsel Department of Environmental Quality 1601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1601

Please indicate the case number (as found on page one of this letter) on the petition.

Failure to exercise one of the options above within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, as evidenced by an internal date/time received stamp (not a postmark), will result in this matter being referred to the Attorney General's Office for collection of the penalty through a civil action. Please be advised that additional penalties may be assessed for violations that occur after the review period of this assessment.

If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Armeni with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4667 or via email at lauren.armeni@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss E397192DABFB4FF

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A

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ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: SP-2021-0005

PERMIT: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

LIMIT VIOLATION(S)

SAMPLE LOCATION: Outfall 001 - Effluent

Violation Date	Report Month/Yr	Parameter	Frequency	Unit of Measure	Limit Value	Calculated Value	% Over Limit	Violation Type	Penalty Amount
5/31/2021	5-2021	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	30	32.15	7.2	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$0.00
5/1/2021	5-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	100	118.2	18.2	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$500.00
5/8/2021	5-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	100	112.4	12.4	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$500.00
5/31/2021	5-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	68.45	52.1	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$1,000.00

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September 7, 2021

Jeff Stines Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2021-LV-0663 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the **July 2021** Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Parameter	Date	Interim Limit	Reported Value	Violation Type	
Coliform, Fecal MF, MFC Broth, 44.5 C (31616)	7/17/2021	600	1,584.66	Weekly Geometric Mean Exceeded	



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You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due. If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in writing (email is acceptable) to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667 or via email at Lauren. Armeni@ncdenr.gov

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by Daniel Boss E397192DABFB4FF.

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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September 20, 2021

Jeff Stines, Director of Public Services Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2021-LV-0694 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the **August 2021** Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Parameter	Date	Interim Limit	Reported Value	Violation Type	
Coliform, Fecal MF, MFC Broth, 44.5 C (31616)	MFC 8/21/2021 600		679.64	Weekly Geometric Mean Exceeded	
Solids, Total Suspended – Concentration (CO530)	8/7/2021	100	102	Weekly Average Exceeded	
Solids, Total Suspended – Concentration (CO530)	8/31/2021	45	61.36	Monthly Average Exceeded	



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You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due. If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in writing (email is acceptable) to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667 or via email at Lauren.Armeni@ncdenr.gov

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DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES - CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: <u>SP-2021-0008</u>

ASSESSMENT FACTORS

- The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The duration and gravity of the violation; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The cost of rectifying the damage; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The amount of money saved by noncompliance; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- 7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- 8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

\$124.43

10/5/2021

Date

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss -E397192DABFB4FF.

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ ROY COOPER Governor ELIZABETH S. BISER Sectorary S. DANIEL SMITH Director



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October 05, 2021

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville 16 S Main St PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6), NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, and SOC WQ S19-005 Town of Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. SP-2021-0008 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$624.43 (\$500.00 civil penalty + \$124.43 enforcement costs) against Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: a review has been conducted of the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) submitted by Town of Waynesville for the month of July 2021. This review has shown the subject facility to be in violation of the discharge limitations and/or monitoring requirements found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and SOC WQ S19-005. The violations, which occurred in July 2021, are summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6), and SOC WQ S19-005 in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).



North Carolina Dispartment of Environmental Quality | Thysiae of Water Resources Adjectile Regional Office | 2090 U.S. (agtway 10) | Swamamoa, Sorth Carolina 20//fi 808, 206, 4500 Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against Town of Waynesville:

<u>\$500.00</u> <u>1</u> of 1 violations of SOC WQ S19-005, by discharging waste water
 into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Weekly Geometric Mean for <u>Coliform, Fecal</u>
 <u>MF, MFC Broth, 44.5 C</u>

- \$500.00 TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY
- <u>\$124.43</u> Enforcement Costs

<u>\$624.43</u> TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A(c), in determining the amount of the penalty I have taken into account the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the factors set forth at G.S. 143B-282.1(b), which are:

- (1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;
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- (4) The cost of rectifying the damage;
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- (7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and
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Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you must do one of the following:

- (1) Submit payment of the penalty, **OR**
- (2) Submit a written request for remission, OR
- (3) Submit a written request for an administrative hearing

Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

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Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

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Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

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Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

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Please indicate the case number (as found on page one of this letter) on the petition.

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If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Armeni with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4667 or via email at lauren.armeni@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

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Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEO

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ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: SP-2021-0008

PERMIT: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

LIMIT VIOLATION(S)

SAMPLE LOCATION: Outfall 001 - Effluent

Violation Date	Report Month/Yr	Parameter	Frequency	Unit of Measure	Limit Value	Calculated Value	% Over Limit	Violation Type	Penalty Amount
7/17/2021	7-2021	Coliform, Fecal MF, MFC Broth, 44.5 C	5 X week	#/100ml	600	1,584.66	164.1	Weekly Geometric Mean Exceeded	\$500.00

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES - CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: <u>SP-2021-0009</u>

ASSESSMENT FACTORS

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\$124.43

10/8/2021

Date

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Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ DocuSign Envelope ID: B546E489-F685-479A-9356-D558C6FADC6D

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October 11, 2021

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6), NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, and SOC WQ S19-005 Town of Waynesville Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. SP-2021-0009 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$2,124.43 (\$2,000.00 civil penalty + \$124.43 enforcement costs) against Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: a review has been conducted of the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) submitted by Town of Waynesville for the month of August 2021. This review has shown the subject facility to be in violation of the discharge limitations and/or monitoring requirements found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and SOC WQ S19-005. The violations, which occurred in August 2021, are summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

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<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>1</u> of 1 violations of SOC WQ S19-005 by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Weekly Average for <u>Solids, Total Suspended</u> <u>- Concentration</u>
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<u>\$2,000.00</u>	TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY
\$124.43	Enforcement Costs

<u>\$2,124.43</u> **TOTAL AMOUNT DUE**

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Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

Payment should be made directly to the order of the Department of Environmental Quality (*do not include waiver form*). Payment of the penalty will not foreclose further enforcement action for any continuing or new violation(s). Please submit payment to the attention of:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 2: Submit a written request for remission or mitigation including a detailed justification for such Request (Option not available for SOC Limit Violations):

Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) whether one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) was wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner;
- (2) whether the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation;
- (3) whether the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident;
- (4) whether the violator had been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations; or
- (5) whether payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions.

Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

In order to request remission, you must complete and submit the enclosed "Request for Remission of Civil Penalties, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts" form within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. The Division of Water Resources also requests that you complete and submit the enclosed "Justification for Remission Request."

Both forms should be submitted to the following address:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 3: File a petition for an administrative hearing with the Office of Administrative Hearings (Option not available for SOC Limit Violations):

If you wish to contest any statement in the attached assessment document, you must file a petition for an administrative hearing. You may obtain the petition form from the Office of Administrative Hearings. You must file the petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. A petition is considered filed when it is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings during normal office hours. The Office of Administrative Hearings accepts filings Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for official state holidays. The petition may be filed by facsimile (fax) or electronic mail by an attached file (with restrictions) - provided the signed original, one (1) copy and a filing fee (if a filing fee is required by NCGS §150B-23.2) is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings within seven (7) business days following the faxed or electronic transmission. You should contact the Office of Administrative Hearings with all questions regarding the filing fee and/or the details of the filing process.

The mailing address and telephone and fax numbers for the Office of Administrative Hearings are as follows:

6714 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 6714 Tel: (919) 431-3000 Fax: (919) 431-3100

One (1) copy of the petition must also be served on DEQ as follows:

Mr. William F. Lane, General Counsel Department of Environmental Quality 1601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1601

Please indicate the case number (as found on page one of this letter) on the petition.

Failure to exercise one of the options above within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, as evidenced by an internal date/time received stamp (not a postmark), will result in this matter being referred to the Attorney General's Office for collection of the penalty through a civil action. Please be advised that additional penalties may be assessed for violations that occur after the review period of this assessment.

If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Armeni with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4667 or via email at lauren.armeni@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Danuel Boss -E397192DABFB4FF.

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office

Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A

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ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: SP-2021-0009

PERMIT: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

LIMIT VIOLATION(S)

SAMPLE LOCATION: Outfall 001 - Effluent

Violation Date	Report Month/Yr	Parameter	Frequency	Unit of Measure	Limit Value	Calculated Value	% Over Limit	Violation Type	Penalty Amount
8/21/2021	8-2021	Coliform, Fecal MF, MFC Broth, 44.5 C	5 X week	#/100ml	600	679.64	13.3	Weekly Geometric Mean Exceeded	\$500.00
8/7/2021	8-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	100	102	2.0	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$500.00
8/31/2021	8-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	61.36	36.4	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$1,000.00

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October 29, 2021

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2021-LV-0806 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the **September 2021** Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Parameter	Date	Interim Limit	Reported Value	Violation Type
Solids, Total Suspended – Concentration (CO530)	9/30/2021	45	54.1	Monthly Average Exceeded



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You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due. If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in writing (email is acceptable) to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

If you have any questions concerning this matter or to apply for an SOC, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667.

Sincerely,

-DocuSigned by Daniel Boss -E397192DABF84FF

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES - CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: <u>SP-2021-0013</u>

ASSESSMENT FACTORS

- The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- 2) The duration and gravity of the violation; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The cost of rectifying the damage; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- The amount of money saved by noncompliance; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally; No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- 7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and No assessment for SOC limit violations.
- 8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

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11/18/2021

Date

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Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ ROY COOPER Governor ELIZABETH S. BISER Sectorary S. DANIEL SMITH Director



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November 19, 2021

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6), NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, and SOC WQ S19-005 Town of Waynesville Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. SP-2021-0013 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$1,113.78 (\$1,000.00 civil penalty + \$113.78 enforcement costs) against Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: a review has been conducted of the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) submitted by Town of Waynesville for the month of September 2021. This review has shown the subject facility to be in violation of the discharge limitations and/or monitoring requirements found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and SOC WQ S19-005. The violations, which occurred in September 2021, are summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6), and SOC WQ S19-005 in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).



North) Cardina Department of Envergenmential Quality (Division of Water Brissianary Ashreytik Regional Office (2000 U.S. Highway (0.1) Swamauna, North-Cardina 20776 108-208, 4200 Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against Town of Waynesville:

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 of 1 violations of SOC WQ S19-005 by discharging waste water

 into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Monthly Average for Solids, Total Suspended

 - Concentration

- \$1,000.00 TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY
- <u>\$113.78</u> Enforcement Costs
- <u>\$1,113.78</u> **TOTAL AMOUNT DUE**

Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A(c), in determining the amount of the penalty I have taken into account the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the factors set forth at G.S. 143B-282.1(b), which are:

- (1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;
- (2) The duration and gravity of the violation;
- (3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;
- (4) The cost of rectifying the damage;
- (5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;
- (6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;
- (7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and
- (8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you must do one of the following:

- (1) Submit payment of the penalty, **OR**
- (2) Submit a written request for remission, OR
- (3) Submit a written request for an administrative hearing

Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

Payment should be made directly to the order of the Department of Environmental Quality (*do not include waiver form*). Payment of the penalty will not foreclose further enforcement action for any continuing or new violation(s). Please submit payment to the attention of:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 2: Submit a written request for remission or mitigation including a detailed justification for such Request (Option not available for SOC Limit Violations):

Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) whether one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) was wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner;
- (2) whether the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation;
- (3) whether the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident;
- (4) whether the violator had been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations; or
- (5) whether payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions.

Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

In order to request remission, you must complete and submit the enclosed "Request for Remission of Civil Penalties, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts" form within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. The Division of Water Resources also requests that you complete and submit the enclosed "Justification for Remission Request."

Both forms should be submitted to the following address:

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Option 3: File a petition for an administrative hearing with the Office of Administrative Hearings (Option not available for SOC Limit Violations):

If you wish to contest any statement in the attached assessment document, you must file a petition for an administrative hearing. You may obtain the petition form from the Office of Administrative Hearings. You must file the petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. A petition is considered filed when it is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings during normal office hours. The Office of Administrative Hearings accepts filings Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for official state holidays. The petition may be filed by facsimile (fax) or electronic mail by an attached file (with restrictions) - provided the signed original, one (1) copy and a filing fee (if a filing fee is required by NCGS §150B-23.2) is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings within seven (7) business days following the faxed or electronic transmission. You should contact the Office of Administrative Hearings with all questions regarding the filing fee and/or the details of the filing process.

The mailing address and telephone and fax numbers for the Office of Administrative Hearings are as follows:

6714 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 6714 Tel: (919) 431-3000 Fax: (919) 431-3100

One (1) copy of the petition must also be served on DEQ as follows:

Mr. William F. Lane, General Counsel Department of Environmental Quality 1601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1601

Please indicate the case number (as found on page one of this letter) on the petition.

Failure to exercise one of the options above within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, as evidenced by an internal date/time received stamp (not a postmark), will result in this matter being referred to the Attorney General's Office for collection of the penalty through a civil action. Please be advised that additional penalties may be assessed for violations that occur after the review period of this assessment.

If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Armeni with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4667 or via email at lauren.armeni@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss -E397192DABF84FF.

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office

Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A

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ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: SP-2021-0013

PERMIT: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

LIMIT VIOLATION(S)

SAMPLE LOCATION: Outfall 001 - Effluent

Violation Date	Report Month/Yr	Parameter	Frequency	Unit of Measure	Limit Value	Calculated Value	% Over Limit	Violation Type	Penalty Amount
9/30/2021	9-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	54.1	20.2	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$1,000.00

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November 29, 2021

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2021-LV-0882 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the October 2021 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Limit Exceedance Violation(s):

Sample Location	Parameter	Date	Limit Value	Reported Value	Type of Violation
001 Effluent	Coliform, Fecal MF, MFC Broth, 44.5 C (31616)	10/9/2021	600	1,094.06	Weekly Geometric Mean Exceeded SOC
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	10/9/2021	100	131.6	Weekly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	10/31/2021	45	57.62	Monthly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	Oxygen, Dissolved (DO) (00300)	10/7/2021	6	5.5	Daily Minimum Not Reached



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Relating to the Fecal Coliform and TSS Violations - SOC:

You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due. If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in writing (email is acceptable) to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

If you wish to provide additional information regarding the noted violation, request technical assistance, or discuss overall compliance please respond in writing <u>within ten (10) business days</u> after receipt of this Notice. A review of your response will be considered along with any information provided on the submitted Monitoring Report(s). You will then be notified of any civil penalties that may be assessed regarding the violations. **If no response is received in this Office within the 10-day period, a civil penalty assessment may be prepared.**

Remedial actions should have already been taken to correct this problem and prevent further occurrences in the future. The Division of Water Resources may pursue enforcement action for this and any additional violations of State law.

Reminder: Pursuant to Permit <u>Condition 6 in Section E</u>, the Permittee is required to verbally notify the Regional Office as soon as possible, not to exceed 24 hours, from first knowledge of any non-compliance at the facility including limit violations, bypasses of, or failure of a treatment unit. A written report may be required within 5 days if directed by Division staff. Prior notice should be given for anticipated or potential problems due to planned maintenance activities, taking units off-line, etc.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss -E397192DABFB4FF

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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January 18, 2022

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2022-LV-0045 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the December 2021 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Limit Exceedance Violation(s):

Sample Location	Parameter	Date	Limit Value	Reported Value	l Type of Violation
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	12/31/2021	45	86	Monthly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	12/25/2021	45	58.33	Weekly Average Exceeded
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	12/31/2021	30	43.84	Monthly Average Exceeded



Relating to the TSS Violation - SOC:

You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due. If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in writing (email is acceptable) to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

Relating to the BOD Violations:

A Notice of Violation/Intent to Issue Civil Penalty is being issued for the noted violation of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES WW Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with the terms, conditions, or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

If you wish to provide additional information regarding the noted violation, request technical assistance, or discuss overall compliance please respond in writing <u>within ten (10) business days</u> after receipt of this Notice. A review of your response will be considered along with any information provided on the submitted Monitoring Report(s). You will then be notified of any civil penalties that may be assessed regarding the violations. **If no response is received in this Office within the 10-day period, a civil penalty assessment may be prepared.**

Remedial actions should have already been taken to correct this problem and prevent further occurrences in the future. The Division of Water Resources may pursue enforcement action for this and any additional violations of State law. If the violations are of a continuing nature, not related to operation and/or maintenance problems, and you anticipate remedial construction activities, then you may wish to consider applying for a Special Order by Consent.

Reminder: Pursuant to Permit <u>Condition 6 in Section E</u>, the Permittee is required to verbally notify the Regional Office as soon as possible, not to exceed 24 hours, from first knowledge of any non-compliance at the facility including limit violations, bypasses of, or failure of a treatment unit. A written report may be required within 5 days if directed by Division staff. Prior notice should be given for anticipated or potential problems due to planned maintenance activities, taking units off-line, etc.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by Daniel Boss

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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January 21, 2022

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville Email: gcaldwell@waynesvillenc.gov

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY

Tracking Number: NOD-2022-MV-0004 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

A review of the December 2021 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the deficiency(s) indicated below:

Monitoring Deficiency(s):

Sample	Monitoring							
Location	Parameter	Date	Frequency	Type of Deficiency				
001 Effluent	Bis (2-Ethylhexyl) Phthalate - Concentration (CO100)	12/31/2021	Quarterly	Frequency Violation				

Please be aware that non-compliance with your permit could result in enforcement action by the Division of Water Resources for these and any additional violations of State law. The Asheville Regional Office encourages you to take all necessary actions to bring your facility into compliance.

If you should need any assistance or would like to discuss this non-compliance situation, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES - CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: LV-2022-0043

ASSESSMENT FACTORS - BOD Violations Only

- The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation; The extent of harm is unknown. All effluent violations may be detrimental to the receiving stream but may not be immediately quantifiable.
- 2) The duration and gravity of the violation; The weekly and monthly average was exceeded for BOD by 29.6% and 46.1%, respectively.
- 3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality; The effect on surface water is unknown. All effluent violations may be detrimental to the receiving stream but may not be immediately quantifiable.
- The cost of rectifying the damage; The cost of rectifying the damage is unknown.
- 5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance; The amount of money saved by noncompliance is unknown.
- 6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally; We do not believe the violation was committed willfully or intentionally.
- 7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and There have been seven CPAs issued in the past 12 months.
- 8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

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2/9/2022

Date

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Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ ROY COOPER Governor ELIZABETH S. BISER Sectorary S. DANIEL SMITH Director



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February 09, 2022

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6), NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, and SOC WQ S19-005 Town of Waynesville Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. LV-2022-0043 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$6,213.78 (\$6,100.00 civil penalty + \$113.78 enforcement costs) against Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: a review has been conducted of the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) submitted by Town of Waynesville for the month of December 2021. This review has shown the subject facility to be in violation of the discharge limitations and/or monitoring requirements found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and SOC WQ S19-005. The violations, which occurred in December 2021, are summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6), and SOC WQ S19-005 in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).



Nact)) Cardina Disartment III Encommental Quality | Denian Of Water Resources Asternik Regional Office | a040 U.S. Highway (U + Inventional North-Carolina 2077) 878-388, 4500 Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against Town of Waynesville:

- \$3,600.00 1 of 1 violations of G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) and Permit No. NC0025321, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Monthly Average for **BOD**, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration \$1,000.00 1 of 1 violations of SOC WQ S19-005, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Monthly Average for **Solids**, **Total Suspended** - Concentration \$1,500.00 1 of 1 violations of G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) and Permit No. NC0025321, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Weekly Average for **BOD**, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration \$6,100.00 TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY <u>\$113.78</u> Enforcement Costs
- <u>\$6,213.78</u> **TOTAL AMOUNT DUE**

Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A(c), in determining the amount of the penalty I have taken into account the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and the factors set forth at G.S. 143B-282.1(b), which are:

- (1) The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation;
- (2) The duration and gravity of the violation;
- (3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality;
- (4) The cost of rectifying the damage;
- (5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance;
- (6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally;
- (7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and
- (8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice, you must do one of the following:

- (1) Submit payment of the penalty, **OR**
- (2) Submit a written request for remission (BOD Violations Only), OR
- (3) Submit a written request for an administrative hearing (BOD Violations Only)

Option 1: Submit payment of the penalty:

Payment should be made directly to the order of the Department of Environmental Quality (*do not include waiver form*). Payment of the penalty will not foreclose further enforcement action for any continuing or new violation(s). Please submit payment to the attention of:

Wastewater Branch Division of Water Resources 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1617

Option 2: Submit a written request for remission or mitigation including a detailed justification for such Request (BOD Violations Only):

Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Because a remission request forecloses the option of an administrative hearing, such a request must be accompanied by a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing and a stipulation and agreement that no factual or legal issues are in dispute. Please prepare a detailed statement that establishes why you believe the civil penalty should be remitted, and submit it to the Division of Water Resources at the address listed below. In determining whether a remission request will be approved, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) whether one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in NCGS 143B-282.1(b) was wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner;
- (2) whether the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation;
- (3) whether the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident;
- (4) whether the violator had been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations; or
- (5) whether payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions.

Please note that all evidence presented in support of your request for remission must be submitted in writing. The Director of the Division of Water Resources will review your evidence and inform you of his decision in the matter of your remission request. The response will provide details regarding the case status, directions for payment, and provision for further appeal of the penalty to the Environmental Management Commission's Committee on Civil Penalty Remissions (Committee). Please be advised that the Committee cannot consider information that was not part of the original remission request considered by the Director. Therefore, it is very important that you prepare a complete and thorough statement in support of your request for remission.

In order to request remission, you must complete and submit the enclosed "Request for Remission of Civil Penalties, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts" form within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. The Division of Water Resources also requests that you complete and submit the enclosed "Justification for Remission Request."

Both forms should be submitted to the following address:

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Option 3: File a petition for an administrative hearing with the Office of Administrative Hearings (BOD Violations Only):

If you wish to contest any statement in the attached assessment document, you must file a petition for an administrative hearing. You may obtain the petition form from the Office of Administrative Hearings. You must file the petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. A petition is considered filed when it is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings during normal office hours. The Office of Administrative Hearings accepts filings Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except for official state holidays. The petition may be filed by facsimile (fax) or electronic mail by an attached file (with restrictions) - provided the signed original, one (1) copy and a filing fee (if a filing fee is required by NCGS §150B-23.2) is received in the Office of Administrative Hearings within seven (7) business days following the faxed or electronic transmission. You should contact the Office of Administrative Hearings with all questions regarding the filing fee and/or the details of the filing process.

The mailing address and telephone and fax numbers for the Office of Administrative Hearings are as follows:

6714 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 6714 Tel: (919) 431-3000 Fax: (919) 431-3100

One (1) copy of the petition must also be served on DEQ as follows:

Mr. William F. Lane, General Counsel Department of Environmental Quality 1601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1601

Please indicate the case number (as found on page one of this letter) on the petition.

Failure to exercise one of the options above within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, as evidenced by an internal date/time received stamp (not a postmark), will result in this matter being referred to the Attorney General's Office for collection of the penalty through a civil action. Please be advised that additional penalties may be assessed for violations that occur after the review period of this assessment.

If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Armeni with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4667 or via email at lauren.armeni@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

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Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEO

ATTACHMENTS: Justification for Remission Request, Attachment A

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JUSTIFICATION FOR REMISSION REQUEST

Case Number:	LV-2022-0043	County:	Haywood
Assessed Party:	Town of Waynesville		
Permit No.:	NC0025321	Amount Assessed:	\$6,213.78

Please use this form when requesting remission of this civil penalty. You must also complete the *"Request For Remission, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts"* form to request remission of this civil penalty. You should attach any documents that you believe support your request and are necessary for the Director to consider in evaluating your request for remission. Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143B-282.1(c), remission of a civil penalty may be granted only when one or more of the following five factors apply. Please check each factor that you believe applies to your case and provide a detailed explanation, including copies of supporting documents, as to why the factor applies (attach additional pages as needed).

- (a) one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in N.C.G.S. 143B-282.1(b) were wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner *(the assessment factors are listed in the civil penalty assessment document)*;
- (b) the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation (*i.e., explain the steps that you took to correct the violation and prevent future occurrences*);
- (c) the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident (*i.e., explain why the violation was unavoidable or something you could not prevent or prepare for*);
- (d) the violator had not been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations;
- (e) payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions *(i.e., explain how payment of the civil penalty will prevent you from performing the activities necessary to achieve compliance*).

EXPLANATION:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA		DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
COUNTY OF HAYWOOD		
IN THE MATTER OF ASSESSMENT)	WAIVER OF RIGHT TO AN
OF CIVIL PENALTIES AGAINST)	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING AND
)	STIPULATION OF FACTS
Town of Waynesville)	
Waynesville WWTP)	
)	
PERMIT NO. NC0025321)	CASE NO. <u>LV-2022-0043</u>

Having been assessed civil penalties totaling $\frac{6,213.78}{2022}$, for violation(s) as set forth in the assessment document of the Division of Water Resources dated February 09, 2022, the undersigned, desiring to seek remission of the civil penalty, does hereby waive the right to an administrative hearing in the above-stated matter and does stipulate that the facts are as alleged in the assessment document. The undersigned further understands that all evidence presented in support of remission of this civil penalty must be submitted to the Director of the Division of Water Resources within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice of assessment. No new evidence in support of a remission request will be allowed after (30) days from the receipt of the notice of assessment.

This the	day of		_, 20
		SIGNATURE	
		ADDRESS	
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ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: LV-2022-0043

PERMIT: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

LIMIT VIOLATION(S)

SAMPLE LOCATION: Outfall 001 - Effluent

Violation Date	Report Month/Yr	Parameter	Frequency	Unit of Measure	Limit Value	Calculated Value	% Over Limit	Violation Type	Penalty Amount
12/25/2021	12-2021	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	58.33	29.6	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$1,500.00
12/31/2021	12-2021	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	30	43.84	46.1	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$3,600.00
12/31/2021	12-2021	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	86	91.1	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$1,000.00

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February 21, 2022

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION & INTENT TO ASSESS CIVIL PENALTY EMC-SOC-WQ-S19-005

Tracking Number: NOV-2022-LV-0132 Permit No. NC0025321 Waynesville WWTP Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

On December 31, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission entered into the subject Special Order by Consent (SOC) whereby the subject WWTP was granted relaxed effluent limitations from those imposed by the NPDES Permit, in exchange for Waynesville's commitment to a schedule of wastewater treatment plant improvements that will return the WWTP to compliance with the terms of the NPDES Permit. The SOC contains provisions for the assessment of stipulated penalties when modified limits are exceeded or schedule dates are not met.

A review of the January 2022 Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the subject facility revealed the violation(s) indicated below:

Limit Exceedance Violation(s):

Sample Location	Parameter	Date	Limit Value	Reported Value	Type of Violation
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	1/1/2022	100	155.67	Weekly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	1/8/2022	100	100.8	Weekly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	1/22/2022	100	125.5	Weekly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration (CO530)	1/31/2022	45	85.15	Monthly Average Exceeded - SOC
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) -	1/1/2022	45	61.67	Weekly Average Exceeded



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	Concentration (CO310)				
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	1/8/2022	45	49.6	Weekly Average Exceeded
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	1/22/2022	45	73.5	Weekly Average Exceeded
001 Effluent	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration (CO310)	1/31/2022	30	47.55	Monthly Average Exceeded

Relating to the TSS Violation – SOC:

You are directed to take any immediate remedial actions necessary to correct the problems that have led to this violation. Section III of the SOC stipulates penalties for noncompliance with any modified limits contained in the SOC. Section IV of the SOC lists certain conditions under which the stipulated penalties are not due. If you have information that will establish, to the satisfaction of the Division of Water Resources, that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, you must submit this information in writing (email is acceptable) to the Asheville Regional Office within ten (10) days after receipt of this notice. If the Division is not satisfied that the conditions set forth in Section IV have been met, this Office will proceed with assessment of stipulated penalties as provided in the SOC.

Relating to the BOD Violations:

A Notice of Violation/Intent to Issue Civil Penalty is being issued for the noted violation of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1 and the facility's NPDES WW Permit. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.6A, a civil penalty of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) may be assessed against any person who violates or fails to act in accordance with the terms, conditions, or requirements of any permit issued pursuant to G.S. 143-215.1.

If you wish to provide additional information regarding the noted violation, request technical assistance, or discuss overall compliance please respond in writing <u>within ten (10) business days</u> after receipt of this Notice. A review of your response will be considered along with any information provided on the submitted Monitoring Report(s). You will then be notified of any civil penalties that may be assessed regarding the violations. **If no response is received in this Office within the 10-day period, a civil penalty assessment may be prepared.**

Remedial actions should have already been taken to correct this problem and prevent further occurrences in the future. The Division of Water Resources may pursue enforcement action for this and any additional violations of State law. If the violations are of a continuing nature, not related to operation and/or maintenance problems, and you anticipate remedial construction activities, then you may wish to consider applying for a Special Order by Consent.

Reminder: Pursuant to Permit <u>Condition 6 in Section E</u>, the Permittee is required to verbally notify the Regional Office as soon as possible, not to exceed 24 hours, from first knowledge of any non-compliance at the facility including limit violations, bypasses of, or failure of a treatment unit. A written report may be required within 5 days if directed by Division staff. Prior notice should be given for anticipated or potential problems due to planned maintenance activities, taking units off-line, etc.



North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality | Division of Water Resources Asheville Regional Office | 2090 U.S. Highway 70 | Swannanoa, North Carolina 28778 828.296.4500 If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Lauren Armeni of the Asheville Regional Office at 828-296-4667.

Sincerely,

-DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss -E397192DABFB4FF.

Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

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DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES - CIVIL PENALTY ASSESSMENT

Violator: <u>Town of Waynesville</u> Facility Name: <u>Waynesville WWTP</u> Permit Number: <u>NC0025321</u> County: <u>Haywood</u> Case Number: <u>LV-2022-0079</u>

ASSESSMENT FACTORS – BOD Violations Only

- The degree and extent of harm to the natural resources of the State, to the public health, or to private property resulting from the violation; The extent of harm is unknown. All effluent violations may be detrimental to the receiving stream but may not be immediately quantifiable.
- 2) The duration and gravity of the violation; The weekly averages were exceeded for BOD by 37.0% and 63.3%, respectively. The monthly average was exceeded for BOD by 58.5%.
- 3) The effect on ground or surface water quantity or quality or on air quality; The effect on surface water is unknown. All effluent violations may be detrimental to the receiving stream but may not be immediately quantifiable.
- The cost of rectifying the damage; The cost of rectifying the damage is unknown.
- 5) The amount of money saved by noncompliance; The amount of money saved by noncompliance is unknown.
- 6) Whether the violation was committed willfully or intentionally; We do not believe the violation was committed willfully or intentionally.
- 7) The prior record of the violator in complying or failing to comply with programs over which the Environmental Management Commission has regulatory authority; and There have been eight CPAs issued in the past 12 months.
- 8) The cost to the State of the enforcement procedures.

\$113.78

3/17/2022

Date

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Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ DocuSign Envelope ID: 5807D320-2E76-41FB-9AD1-C0B54B5ED9AA

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March 18, 2022

Gary Caldwell, Mayor Town of Waynesville PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786-0100

SUBJECT: Notice of Violation and Assessment of Civil Penalty for Violations of North Carolina General Statute (G.S.) 143-215.1(a)(6), NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, and SOC WQ S19-005 Town of Waynesville Waynesville Waynesville WWTP Case No. LV-2022-0079 Haywood County

Dear Permittee:

This letter transmits a Notice of Violation and assessment of civil penalty in the amount of \$9,363.78 (\$9,250.00 civil penalty + \$113.78 enforcement costs) against Town of Waynesville.

This assessment is based upon the following facts: a review has been conducted of the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) submitted by Town of Waynesville for the month of January 2022. This review has shown the subject facility to be in violation of the discharge limitations and/or monitoring requirements found in NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321 and SOC WQ S19-005. The violations, which occurred in January 2022, are summarized in Attachment A to this letter.

Based upon the above facts, I conclude as a matter of law that Town of Waynesville violated the terms, conditions or requirements of NPDES WW Permit No. NC0025321, G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6), and SOC WQ S19-005 in the manner and extent shown in Attachment A. In accordance with the maximums established by G.S. 143-215.6A(a)(2), a civil penalty may be assessed against any person who violates the terms, conditions or requirements of a permit required by G.S. 143-215.1(a).



North Carolina Dispartment of Environmental Quality | Thysiae of Water Resources Adjectile Regional Office | 2090 U.S. (agtway 10) | Swamamoa, Sorth Carolina 20//fi 808, 206, 4500 Based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and in accordance with authority provided by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality and the Director of the Division of Water Resources, I, Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor, Asheville Regional Office hereby make the following civil penalty assessment against Town of Waynesville:

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<u>\$3,000.00</u>	<u>2</u> of 3 violations of G.S. 143-215.1(a)(6) and Permit No. NC0025321, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Weekly Average for <u>BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C)</u> <u>- Concentration</u>
<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>3</u> of 3 violations of SOC WQ S19-005, by discharging waste water into the waters of the State in violation of the Permit Weekly Average for <u>Solids, Total Suspended</u> <u>- Concentration</u>
\$9,250.00	TOTAL CIVIL PENALTY

<u>\$113.78</u> Enforcement Costs

<u>\$9,363.78</u> TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

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If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Armeni with the Division of Water Resources staff of the Asheville Regional Office at (828) 296-4667 or via email at lauren.armeni@ncdenr.gov.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Daniel Boss

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Daniel Boss, Assistant Regional Supervisor Water Quality Regional Operations Section Asheville Regional Office Division of Water Resources, NCDEQ

ATTACHMENTS: Justification for Remission Request, Attachment A

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JUSTIFICATION FOR REMISSION REQUEST

Case Number:	LV-2022-0079	County:	Haywood
Assessed Party:	Town of Waynesville		
Permit No.:	NC0025321	Amount Assessed:	<u>\$9,363.78</u>

Please use this form when requesting remission of this civil penalty. You must also complete the *"Request For Remission, Waiver of Right to an Administrative Hearing, and Stipulation of Facts"* form to request remission of this civil penalty. You should attach any documents that you believe support your request and are necessary for the Director to consider in evaluating your request for remission. Please be aware that a request for remission is limited to consideration of the five factors listed below as they may relate to the reasonableness of the amount of the civil penalty assessed. Requesting remission is not the proper procedure for contesting whether the violation(s) occurred or the accuracy of any of the factual statements contained in the civil penalty assessment document. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143B-282.1(c), remission of a civil penalty may be granted only when one or more of the following five factors apply. Please check each factor that you believe applies to your case and provide a detailed explanation, including copies of supporting documents, as to why the factor applies (attach additional pages as needed).

- (a) one or more of the civil penalty assessment factors in N.C.G.S. 143B-282.1(b) were wrongfully applied to the detriment of the petitioner *(the assessment factors are listed in the civil penalty assessment document)*;
- (b) the violator promptly abated continuing environmental damage resulting from the violation (*i.e., explain the steps that you took to correct the violation and prevent future occurrences*);
- (c) the violation was inadvertent or a result of an accident (*i.e., explain why the violation was unavoidable or something you could not prevent or prepare for*);
- (d) the violator had not been assessed civil penalties for any previous violations;
- (e) payment of the civil penalty will prevent payment for the remaining necessary remedial actions *(i.e., explain how payment of the civil penalty will prevent you from performing the activities necessary to achieve compliance*).

EXPLANATION:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA		DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
COUNTY OF HAYWOOD		
IN THE MATTER OF ASSESSMENT)	WAIVER OF RIGHT TO AN
OF CIVIL PENALTIES AGAINST)	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING AND
)	STIPULATION OF FACTS
Town of Waynesville)	
Waynesville WWTP)	
)	
PERMIT NO. NC0025321)	CASE NO. <u>LV-2022-0079</u>

Having been assessed civil penalties totaling <u>\$9,363.78</u> for violation(s) as set forth in the assessment document of the Division of Water Resources dated <u>March 18, 2022</u>, the undersigned, desiring to seek remission of the civil penalty, does hereby waive the right to an administrative hearing in the above-stated matter and does stipulate that the facts are as alleged in the assessment document. The undersigned further understands that all evidence presented in support of remission of this civil penalty must be submitted to the Director of the Division of Water Resources within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice of assessment. No new evidence in support of a remission request will be allowed after (30) days from the receipt of the notice of assessment.

This the	day of	, 20
		SIGNATURE
		ADDRESS
		TELEPHONE

ATTACHMENT A

Town of Waynesville

CASE NUMBER: LV-2022-0079

PERMIT: NC0025321

REGION: Asheville

FACILITY: Waynesville WWTP

COUNTY: Haywood

LIMIT VIOLATION(S)

SAMPLE LOCATION: Outfall 001 - Effluent

Violation Date	Report Month/Yr	Parameter	Frequency	Unit of Measure	Limit Value	Calculated Value	% Over Limit	Violation Type	Penalty Amount
1/1/2022	1-2022	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	61.67	37.0	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$1,500.00
1/8/2022	1-2022	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	49.6	10.2	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$0.00
1/22/2022	1-2022	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	73.5	63.3	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$1,500.00
1/31/2022	1-2022	BOD, 5-Day (20 Deg. C) - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	30	47.55	58.5	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$3,750.00
1/1/2022	1-2022	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	100	155.67	55.7	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$500.00
1/8/2022	1-2022	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	100	100.8	0.8	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$500.00
1/22/2022	1-2022	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	100	125.5	25.5	Weekly Average Exceeded	\$500.00
1/31/2022	1-2022	Solids, Total Suspended - Concentration	5 X week	mg/l	45	85.15	89.2	Monthly Average Exceeded	\$1,000.00
System Operations Ratio Calculations

Category 3- System Management

3.B. System Operating Ratio is Greater than 1

Town of Waynesville					
Fiscal Year 2021					
Operating Ratio Formula:					
Operatina Revenue	s	Operating Ratio			
$\frac{Operating Revenues}{Total Exp. + Debt Principal + Interest + Cap Outlav} =$		1.31			
Formula Inputs:					
Operating Revenues	3,061,681				
Total Expenditures	2,168,805				
Debt Principal	-				
Interest	-				
Capital Outlay	161,536				

Monthly Water and Sewer Rate Calculations

Town of Waynesville							
	Fiscal Year 2023						
Combined Water and Bill as pe	rcer	nt of MHI					
Current Combined Residential	Wa	tor and S	ewer Bill 5 000 aal/mo	Unit Cost			
$\frac{Carrent combined Residential water and sever bit 3,000 gar/mo}{(Median Household Income/12)} x 100 =$				1.79%			
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Formula Inputs:			_				
Water Bill	\$	23.82					
Sewer Bill	\$	37.04					
Combined Water & Sewer Bill	\$	60.86					
Median Household Income	\$	40,911					

Town of Waynesville FY23 Sewer Rate						
Month	nly Water Bill: 5,000 gallons					
Water Base Charges:	2,057 gallons included	=	\$ 16.66			
Volume Charge:	\$2.433 / 1,000 gal x 2.943	=	\$ 7.16			
Total Water			\$ 23.82			
Monthly Sewer Bill: 5,000 gallons						
Sewer Base Charges:	2,057 gallons included	=	\$ 23.58			
Volume Charge:	\$4.572 / 1,000 gal x 2.943	=	\$ 13.46			
Total Sewer			\$ 37.04			
Combined Monthly Water and Sewer Bill			\$ 60.86			

LGU Indicators Worksheet

NC Division of Water Infrastructure Fall 2022 Affordability Calculator

← Complete data entry cells in yellow

Updated 8/8/2022. This tool can be used by Applicants to determine eligibility for grant/principal forgiveness funding and to complete the affordability calculations in the application for funding.

Enter Name of Applicant: Town of Waynesville

STEP 1: Applicant's Designation	tion and Assessment Criteria Score		
Select Applicant from menu: ^{Waynesville, Town of}		-	If applying for a project with more than one local government unit, select the local government that is either designated as
Designated as "Distressed" in accordance with NCGS 159G-45	No		distressed or has the greatest VUR Assessment Criteria score.
Max VUR Assessment Criteria Score (2021 and 2022)	8		
Wholesale-only service provider	No		
	-		
STEP 2: Residential Connec	tions		

4,346

How many wastewater residential connections does your system contain?

leters and service area c	overage as shown below. Se						
			i your service area.				
Vaynesville, Town of 🚽	•	•	•				
				Total:			
100%				100%		State	Worse than State
10,145						Benchmarks are:	Benchmark?
3.65%				3.65%	<=	4.48%	Yes
20.4				20.4	>=	14.0	Yes
\$40,911				\$40,911	<=	\$56,642	Yes
7.3				7.3	>=	7.1	Yes
\$1,228,800,617							
\$121,124	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$121,124	<=	\$125,015	Yes
# of Indicators worse \rightarrow						icators worse \rightarrow	5
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STEP 4: Existing Revenues					
Enter the following information below.					
Operating Revenues _{Water & Sewer} :	\$3,061,681				
Total Expenditures _{Water&Sewer} :	\$2,168,805				
Debt Principal _{Water&Sewer} :	\$0				
Interest _{Water&Sewer} :	\$0				
Project Cost:	\$29,423,000				
Calculated Operating Ratio _{Future} :	0.84				

Step 5: Water/Sewer Utility Information			Current monthly bill for 5,000 gallons:		
Combined water and sewer provider, or single service?	nbined@ oantebiaed weaver andvselev er provider Wastewat e wastewater		•	Water Rate	Sewer Rate
Is your project a water or wastewater project?				\$23.82	\$37.04
"Effective" combined water & sewer bill for 5,000 gallons:	\$60.86				
Number of wastewater non-residential connections:	694				
Calculated total number of wastewater connections:	5,040				
Project cost per connection per month:	\$24.32				

Eligibility for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Funding

ARPA grants are administered through the Viable Utility Reserve and the State Reserves. All local government utilities and non-profit water corporations are eligible recipients of **ARPA grants for planning/study projects**. Local government units **designated as distressed** or **categorized as At-Risk Systems** are eligible for ARPA grants for construction projects (see your eligibility below). Additionally, all local government utilities and non-profit water corporations are eligible recipients of ARPA grants for construction if the project is **primarily to provide service to disadvantaged, underserved areas**. ARPA funding is up to 100% grant and is <u>not</u> subject to the percentage limits of the Affordability Criteria for SRF Principal Forgiveness/SRP grant eligibility. ARPA funds are subject to availability and limits specified in the Administration Plan.

See the ARPA Administration Plan on the Division's website for more details.



Eligibility for State Revolving Fund (SRF) Principal Forgiveness and State Reserve Program Grants (not ARPA-funded)

Eligibility is limited by the percentage below, funding request amount, caps on SRF principal forgiveness or SRP grants based on project type, and PF or grant availability.



* Representative LGU data plotted using Project Cost in Step 4, and project type selection (Water or Wastewater) in Step 5.

Percentage of funding request amount eligible for SRF Principal Forgiveness or SRP grant:





Graph is truncated: \$0-\$80 (X-axis), \$20-\$150 (Y-axis)