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Gordon Erikson W384S7460 County Road N Palmyra, WI 53156 [sent electronically] Received Town of Eagle 11/03/2025 GP-SE-2025-68-02626

RE: Coverage under the wetland statewide general permit (WDNR-GP24) for Wetland Conservation Activities, located in the Town of Eagle, Waukesha County

Dear Mr. Erikson,

Thank you for submitting an application for a General Permit for Wetland Conservation Activities located in the SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 08, Township 05, Range 17E, Town of Eagle, Waukesha County. Based on the application information submitted, your project meets the eligibility criteria for this activity, so you may proceed with your project.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The applicant proposes to create two shallow scrapes in a degraded wetland for wildlife habitat. Both scrapes will be 0.5 acres in size, have a maximum depth of 4 feet, and will have a 25-foot vegetated buffer around the scrapes. Spoil materials will be hauled out of the wetland and placed onto active crop land.
- 2. The Department has completed an evaluation of the project site and plans and has determined that the project site and project plans as described in the submitted application meet the standards to qualify for this General Permit.
- The proposed project, if constructed in accordance with this permit, will not adversely affect water quality, will not increase water pollution in surface waters, and will not cause environmental pollution as defined in s. 283.01(6m), Wis Stats
- 4. The wetland discharge resulting from the proposed activity will comply with water quality requirements as authorized by this document.
- No practicable alternative exists which would avoid adverse impacts to wetlands, and the project will result in the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative taking into consideration practicable alternatives that avoid wetland impacts.
- 6. All practicable measures to minimize adverse impacts to the functional values of the wetland have been taken.
- 7. The proposed project will not result in significant adverse impacts to wetland functional values, significant impacts to water quality, or other significant adverse environmental consequences.

STANDARDS AND CONDITIONS

You are responsible for meeting all general permit eligibility standards and permit conditions. Please re-read the permit eligibility standards and conditions attached to this letter in the final statewide general permit document. This includes notifying the Department before starting the project and submitting photographs within one week of project completion. Please note your coverage is valid for 5 years from the date of the department's determination or until the activity is completed, whichever occurs first.

You are also responsible for obtaining any other local, state, tribal, or federal permits that are required before starting your project. Note that **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and local zoning authorization for work in floodplains or shorelands may also be required for your project**.

EXPIRATION

This activity is authorized under WDNR-GP24-2023 for a period of 5 years from the date of this letter or until the activity is completed, whichever occurs first.

INSPECTIONS AND PROJECT MODIFICATIONS

The Department conducts routine and annual compliance monitoring inspections. Our staff may follow up and inspect your project to verify compliance with state statutes and codes and the requirements and conditions of this general permit.

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

If you believe that you have a right to challenge this decision, you should know that the Wisconsin statutes and administrative rules establish time periods within which requests to review Department decisions shall be filed. To seek a contested case hearing under section 227.42, Wis. Stats., you have 30 days after the date of the decision to serve a petition for hearing on the Department. For judicial review of a decision pursuant to sections 227.52 and 227.53, Wis. Stats., you have 30 days after the decision is mailed, or otherwise served by the Department, to file your petition with the appropriate circuit court and serve the petition on the Department. Such a petition for judicial review shall name the Department of Natural Resources as the respondent.

If you have questions about this letter or need to modify your project, please contact me, your local Water Management Specialist, Francesca Sanchez, at (414) 531-0305 or at francesca.sanchez@wisconsin.gov to discuss your proposed modifications and determine next steps.

Sincerely,

Francesca Sanchez

Water Management Specialist

Email CC:

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