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DNR enforcement actions

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DES MOINES – DNR staff work with individuals, businesses and communities to help them protect our natural resources by complying with state and federal laws. This approach is very effective. In the few cases where compliance cannot be achieved, the DNR issues enforcement actions. The following list summarizes recent enforcement actions. Find the entire, original orders on DNR's website at www.iowadnr.gov/EnforcementActions.

Consent Orders A consent order is issued as an alternative to issuing an administrative order. A consent order indicates that the DNR has voluntarily entered into a legally enforceable agreement with the other party.

Cass County

Dennis Kuehl

Operate facility in compliance with laws and regulations, develop and implement a plan of action to prevent discharges, including the submittal of monthly freeboard levels, and pay a \$6,000 administrative penalty.

Clarke County

City of Osceola

Comply with regulations, develop a plan of action to prevent future discharges, pay \$14,463.59 in fish restitution and investigative costs, and pay a \$3,000 administrative penalty.

Lee County

Roland and Mary Wierather

Operate facility in compliance with laws and regulations, facility has ceased operation and will remain closed; and pay a \$3,000 administrative penalty.

Lyon County

Merlin Rozeboom

Operate feedlot in compliance with regulations, either develop an approved Plan of

Action to prevent discharges or submit a complete NPDES permit, and pay a \$5,000 administrative penalty.

Air Quality permits under review

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DES MOINES – The DNR Air Quality Bureau has the following draft permits up for review. The permits help protect Iowans' health and air quality. DNR's permitting staff review each permit application to ensure facilities comply with state and federal air quality requirements. We encourage public comments on draft permits, providing help on how to make-effective comments. Submit written comments to the assigned permit writer before 4:30 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. DNR considers public comments before finalizing the permits.

Title V Operating Permits

Title V Operating permits are reviewed and re-issued every five years. Facilities with a Title V permit have the potential to emit large amounts of air pollutants compared to other facilities. The five-year reviews are a federal requirement and ensure adequate monitoring is included in the permit. The DNR plans to issue Title V Operating Permits for the following facilities. Find permit details at www.iowadnr.gov/titlev-draft.

Butler County

Flint Hills Resources Shell Rock, LLC located at 30750 212th St., Shell Rock The application was submitted to operate their existing Industrial Organic Chemicals, NEC facility. The public comment period ends Feb. 29.

Construction Permits

DNR engineers review and issue construction permits to facilities before they build new or modify existing sources of air pollution. The public may review the following air quality construction permits available online at www.iowadnr.gov/airpermitsearch.

Muscatine County

Grain Processing Corporation – 1600 Oregon St., Muscatine.

Project No. 19-045, Starch Dryer #1 and Starch Dryer #2: modify stack test frequency, modify capacity of Dryer #2; 10 Starch Storage Silos: modify maximum loading rate. The public comment period ends Feb. 27.

Grain Processing Corporation – 1600 Oregon St., Muscatine.

Project No. 18-024, Permit modification to #5 Wet Mill Germ Dryer and #3 Germ Transfer and Receiver to revise limits and establish operating parameters. The public comment period ends Feb. 29.

Scott County

Continental Cement Company, 301 E Front Street, Buffalo

Project No. 19-303, Establishment of a new Clinker Barge Loading Operation Public comment period ends February 28.

Webster County

Cargill Inc., 1950 Harvest Ave., Fort Dodge Project 19-423, Correct capacity Public comment period ends March 2, 2020.