

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

# EcoNewsWire

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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.

#### Allamakee County

#### City of Waukon

Comply with all laws regulating the discharge of pollutants into a water of the state; develop a plan of action to prevent future unpermitted discharges into a water of the state and submit the plan to the Department for approval; once approved, implement the plan within 60 days; pay \$1,568.60 in restitution and investigative costs; and pay a \$2,500 administrative penalty.

#### Ida County

Fredco, Inc.

Develop and implement a standard operating procedure for the proper land application of effluent from the facility and submit to the Department for approval; once approved, immediately implement the plan; and pay a \$8,000 administrative penalty.

# Air Quality permits under review

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#### 9549 or Sarah.Piziali@dnr.iowa.gov for construction permits.

DES MOINES – The DNR Air Quality Bureau has the following draft permits up for review. The permits help protect lowans' 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 <u>make effective comments</u>. 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 <u>www.iowadnr.gov/titlev-draft</u>.

#### **Des Moines County**

CNH Industrial America LLC – 1930 Des Moines Ave., Burlington. The application was submitted to operate their existing Construction Machinery and Equipment facility. The public comment period ends March 13.

#### **Page County**

City of Shenandoah – Shenandoah Sanitation, Inc. – 1207 W. Ferguson Road, Shenandoah.

The application was submitted to operate their existing Refuse Systems facility. The public comment period ends March 13.

#### **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 <u>www.iowadnr.gov/airpermitsearch</u> OR through the <u>EASY Air Public Inquiry Portal</u> and then click the Public Notice tab.

#### **Grundy County**

Shell Rock Soy Processing (SRSP) – 30340 220<sup>th</sup> St., Shell Rock. Project No. 20-278. The Shell Rock Soy Processing facility is a new soybean-crushing plant that will be built in Shell Rock, IA. The facility will extract soybean oil from 3,300 tons of soybeans per day. The SRSP facility will consist of grain receiving, handling and storage operations, a soybean processing and oil extraction operation. The processing and extraction process will include bean preparation, bean oil extraction, flat storage and loadout, and utilities. As part of the process, the facility will produce soybean meal as a co-product.

The public comment period ends March 12. Submit all comments in writing before 4:30 p.m.

# A note on Iowa DNR and COVID-19

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The lowa Department of Natural Resources is working with state and local officials to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and has transitioned employees to work remotely. DNR offices are closed to the public during this time and only available by appointment.

In another effort to further reduce the spread of COVID-19, the DNR is encouraging the use of the online services for submitting applications, payments and other daily tasks and interaction with DNR staff.

- Full list of DNR's online services
- <u>Up-to-date information on DNR services, facilities and events impacted by COVID-</u>
  <u>19</u>
- Technical information for regulated businesses in regards to COVID-19

We thank you for your patience and flexibility during this time. If you need to contact DNR staff you can reach them by email or phone or by calling 515-725-8200.