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Plato Township
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Re: Plato Township MS4 – NPDES Phase II Storm Water Program for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems - Waiver – ILR400484 - Bureau ID: W0894380096

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed your letter requesting a waiver for the Township of Catlin NPDES Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System permit.

The 2020 U.S. Census lists the population within the coverage area as 9,296, however a claimed 0 serviced in waiver application.

The Federal Regulations, 40 CFR 122.32(e) states:

The NPDES permitting authority may waive permit coverage if your MS4 serves a population under 10,000 and you meet the following criteria:

- 1) The permitting authority has evaluated all waters of the U.S., including small streams, tributaries, lakes, and ponds, that receive a discharge from your MS4;*
- 2) For all such waters, the permitting authority has determined that storm water controls are not needed based on waste load allocations that are part of an EPA approved or established TMDL that addresses the pollutant(s) of concern or, if a TMDL has not been developed or approved, an equivalent analysis that determines sources and allocations for the pollutant(s) of concern;*
- 3) For the purpose of this paragraph (e), the pollutant(s) of concern include biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), sediment or a parameter that addresses sediment (such as total suspended solids, turbidity or siltation), pathogens, oil and grease, and any pollutant that has been identified as a cause of impairment of any water body that will receive a discharge from your MS4; and*
- 4) The permitting authority has determined that future discharges from your MS4 do not have the potential to result in exceedances of water quality standards, including impairment of designated uses, or other significant water quality impacts, including habitat and biological impacts.*

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Per Part III of our Notice of Intent for Waiver;

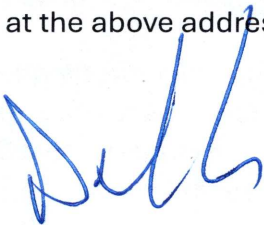
- a. *If your community serves a population of less than 1,000 the following criteria must be met:*
 - i. *The MS4 system is not contributing substantially to the pollutant loadings of a physically interconnected MS4 that is regulated by the NPDES storm water program.*
 - ii. *If the MS4 system, requesting a waiver, discharges any pollutant(s) that have been identified as a cause of impairment of any water body to which you discharge and it has been determined that storm water controls are not needed based on waste load allocations that are part of an EPA approved or established "total maximum daily load" (TMDL) that addresses the pollutants(s) of concern.*
- b. *If your community serves a population greater than 1,000 but less than 10,000 the following criteria must be met:*
 - i. *The permitting agency has evaluated all waters of the U.S., including small streams, tributaries, lakes, and ponds, that receive a discharge from your MS4.*
 - ii. *It has been determined that storm water controls are not needed based on waste load allocations that are part of an EPA approved or established TMDL that addresses the pollutant(s) of concern or, if a TMDL has not been developed or approved, an equivalent analysis that determines sources and allocations for the pollutant(s) of concern:*
 - iii. *The pollutant(s) of concern include biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), sediment or a parameter that addresses sediment (such as total suspended solids, turbidity, or siltation), pathogens, oil and grease, and any pollutant that has been identified as a cause of impairment of any water body that will receive a discharge from the MS4.*
 - iv. *The IEPA has determined that future discharges from the MS4 do not have the potential to result in exceedances of water quality standards, including impairment of designated uses, or other significant waterquality impacts, including habitat and biological impacts.*

Based on the above criteria, and the criteria set in our Notice of Intent for Waiver, the Agency hereby waives permit coverage under the Phase II MS4 Storm Water Permit. At some time in the future, if you make a determination that you do own and operate separate storm sewers that serve more than 10,000 population, or the Agency determines that the above conditions cannot be met, or should conditions no longer meet those as listed in Part III of the Notice of Intent for Waiver, you will need coverage under the MS4 permit.

This notice of no NPDES permit required constitutes final action by this Agency on this submission in accordance with the Illinois Environmental Protection Act.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding the above, please contact the Permit Section at 217/782-0610 or at the above address.

Very truly yours,



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cc: Des Plaines Region, Records Unit, Fiscal