Action Items and Meetings/Presentations for 6WQ-P
Week of April 24-28, 2017

Meetings/Presentations

- **Type of Event:** National Lakes Assessment field training for EPA Region 6
- **Date/Place of the Event:** June 10-14/Lakeview Lodge, Broken Bow Reservoir, Broken Bow, OK
- **Description of the event/subject matter:** EPA and EPA national contractors will demonstrate site location, field sampling and sample processing procedures to Region 6, state, and contractor field crews who will be implementing EPA's National Lakes Survey in Summer 2017.
- **EPA Participants involved in the event:** Rob Cook, Mike Schaub, Lindsey Griffin, Laura Hunt, Selena Medrano, Taimur Shaikh
- **Approximate Number of people in attendance:** 30

Action Items

Louisiana Offshore Oil Port (LOOP), LLC, Deepwater Port Complex, (joint venture of Marathon Pipe Line LLC, Valero Terminal and Distribution Company, and Shell Oil Company) (LPDES Permit No. LA0049492, AI No. 4634) - State Permit Review and EPA Permit Issuance

The existing wastewater permit which was jointly issued by EPA & LDEQ expired September 30, 2013. EPA and LDEQ are continuing to work together on the proposed reissuance of the permit regarding appropriate permit requirements for brine discharges. This situation is similar to the Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPR) under the U.S. Department of Energy, (Big Hill Oil Storage, TX0092827, and Bryan Mound Oil Storage, TX0074012).EPA reissued these permits in November 2014. Next steps for LOOP will likely include conference calls between EPA, LDEQ and LOOP. The joint LDEQ/EPA permit will be reissued ASAP. R6 upper management briefing is planned pending receipt of LDEQ's proposal regarding a possible alternate approach.

City of Vidalia, Wastewater Treatment Plant (LPDES Permit No. LA0032794, AI No. 30293) - State Permit Review

This facility is a 1.5 MGD "major" Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) which appears to have no controversial issues. Upon further review of the proposed permit, EPA will determine the appropriate response for issuance to LDEQ by the regulatory deadline of April 26, 2017.

City of Calion (NPDES Permit AR0038211) - State Permit Review
NPDES Permits and TMDL Branch proposes to send a response to ADEQ regarding the proposed reissuance of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit by the regulatory due date May 4, 2017. No major issue has been identified in initial permit review.

City of Dayton No Objection Letter (TPDES Permit No. WQ0010564004, EPA No. TX0100170), State Permit Review This draft permit was reviewed as a Renewal w/o Changes (admin changes), No Discharge to 303(d) waters, No TMDL, No WET RP (however, 1 lethal & 1 sub-lethal for P.Promelas, permit limit included and December 28, 2015, agreement letter requirements followed), No variance request, No pH screening needed, No TDS, Cl or SO_4 screening needed, and No compliance schedule. This draft permit was submitted for managerial review and concurrence on Tuesday, April 18, 2017. Worst case scenario, it could be submitted as an Interim Objection if the managerial review turns up something that I may have missed during my review. This draft permit should be mailed out by its regulatory deadline of Thursday, April 27, 2017.

City of Kaufman (TPDES Permit No. WQ0012114001, EPA No. TX0079391), State Permit Review This draft permit has only been preliminarily reviewed. The following was found: Renewal w/ Changes (switching from Interim Phase UV disinfection to chlorine in Final Phase); Discharges to 303(d) waters (pH – limited at 6.0-9.0 std. units); No TMDL; WET RP (3 failures: 1 water flea, 2 fathead minnow – December 28, 2015 agreement letter requirements followed); No variance request; No pH screening needed; No TDS, Cl & SO_4 screening needed; and No compliance schedule. Worst case scenario, this draft permit will be submitted as an Interim Objection, by its regulatory deadline of Thursday, April 27, 2017.

City of Laredo (TPDES Permit No. WQ0015501001, EPA No. TX0137260), State Permit Review This draft permit has only been preliminarily reviewed. The following was found: New Permit; Tier 1 Antidegradation Review Conducted – existing water quality not expected to be impaired; Tier 2 Antidegradation Review Not Needed – No water bodies with exceptional, high, or intermediate aquatic life uses are present w/i stream reach assessed; Discharges to 303(d) waters (bacteria – limited @ 126 CFUs); No TMDL; Priority Watershed of Critical Concern (Least Tern, endangered aquatic-dependent species, in Segment No. 2304 – emailed Dawn Whitehead, FWS – 04/06/2017, awaiting reply); No WET RP (facility not yet built); No variance request; No pH screening needed; No TDS, Cl, SO_4 screening needed (facility not yet built, no data available); and No compliance schedule. Worst case scenario, this draft permit will be submitted as an Interim Objection, by its regulatory deadline of Thursday, April 27, 2017.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TPDES Permit No. WQ0010823001, EPA No. TX0031577), State Permit Review This draft permit has only been preliminarily reviewed. The following was found: Renewal w/ Changes (more stringent D.O. limits were required); Discharges to 303(d) waters (Dioxin & PCBs in edible tissue – 0804); No TMDL; No WET RP (zero failures over last 3 years); No variance request; No pH screening needed; TDS screening showed no permit limitations needed for TDS, Cl or SO_4; and No compliance schedule. Worst case scenario, this draft permit will be submitted as an Interim Objection, by its regulatory deadline of Thursday, May 4, 2017.

City of Josephine (TPDES Permit No. WQ0010887002, EPA No. TX0137332), State Permit Review This draft permit has only been preliminarily reviewed. The following was found: New Permit; Tier 1 Antidegradation Review Conducted – existing water quality not expected to be impaired; No waterbodies with exceptional, high or intermediate aquatic life uses are present within the stream reach assessed; therefore, no Tier 2 degradation review is required; Discharges to 303(d) waters (pH – Segment No. 0507); No TMDL; No WET Testing (New Permit); No variance request; No pH screening needed; No TDS, Cl or SO_4 screening (New Permit); and No compliance schedule. Worst case scenario, this draft permit will be submitted as an Interim Objection, by its regulatory deadline of Thursday, May 4, 2017.

Proposal of Draft NPDES permits – EPA Permits
On April 29, 2017, the Water Division plans to propose the following permits, starting the public comment period. This action also includes Division Director letters requesting CWA 401 Certifications from appropriate State/Tribe with jurisdiction over the receiving waters.

NM0029165 - Ruidoso Downs-Village of Ruidoso: Major POTW permit implementing new NMED TMDL. TMDL somewhat controversial at State level, but draft permit consistent with what State TMDL recommends.

TX0134046 - Boardwalk Pipeline Partners: Hydrostatic test discharges during construction

TX0134045 – Gulf South Pipeline Co., LP: Hydrostatic test discharges during construction
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NM0030341 – City of Las Vegas: Minor drinking water treatment plant

NM0022101 – Village of Taos Ski Valley: Minor POTW implementing NMED TMDL

NM0024996 – Mora Municipal Water and Sewer Works Assoc.: Minor POTW implementing NMED TMDL