Compliance Inspection Report

Permit: WQ0017224 **Effective:** 10/03/18 Expiration: 11/30/23 Owner: Gwwtp LLC SOC: Effective: **Expiration:** Facility: Ginguite Woods WWTP N Croatan Hwy County: Dare Region: Washington Southern Shores NC 27949 Contact Person: Bob Howsare Title: Phone: 252-305-2696 **Directions to Facility:** Approximately 0.56 miles east of the Currituck Sound bridge, on the NE corner of the intersection of US 158 (N Croatan Hwy) and S Dogwood Tr in Kitty Hawk. System Classifications: SI, WW2, **Primary ORC:** Certification: Phone: Secondary ORC(s): On-Site Representative(s): **Related Permits:** Exit Time: 02:00PM Inspection Date: 08/03/2021 Entry Time 01:00PM Primary Inspector: Victoria Herdt Phone: 252-948-3911 Secondary Inspector(s): Robert B Tankard Phone: 252-946-6481 Ext.23 Inspection Type: Compliance Evaluation Reason for Inspection: Routine Permit Inspection Type: Reclaimed Water **Facility Status:** Compliant Not Compliant **Question Areas:** Treatment Flow Measurement-Effluent Treatment Flow Measurement-Influent Miscellaneous Questions Treatment Barscreen **Treatment Filters** Treatment Flow Measurement-Water Use Records Treatment Activated Sludge Record Keeping Treatment Lagoons Treatment Influent Pump Station **Treatment Clarifiers Treatment Disinfection** End Use-Infiltration **Treatment Flow Measurement** Treatment Return pumps End Use-Reuse Standby Power Wells

(See attachment summary)

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Inspection Summary:

A compliance inspection was conducted on 08/03/2021 by Victoria Herdt and Robert Tankard of the NCDEQ DWR and Bryan Allen (ORC).

Walking through the plant, the following issues were observed:

EQ basin tanks and head works are rusting and metal is now flaking to a point where the integrity is questionable. The EQ basin and headworks need to be replaced.

The operator is using one clarifier for storage of solids.

Flow meter and turbidity meter did not have calibration sticker. Turbidity meter was not operational on day of inspection. Infiltration pond had excessive vegetation around the perimeter of the pond. Also algae and duckweed were prevalent in the pond. This may cause problems with infiltration in the future.

Did not evaluate reclaim irrigation system. A rain or moisture sensor needs to be installed and connected to irrigation system.

An attempt to start Generator failed. Generator has had problems in the past and was not operational on day of inspection. The generator need to be replaced. The generator has failed on to many inspections where it is no longer reliable.

All catwalks and safety rails need to be repaired where operators and inspectors can evaluate the system without concerns of safety. This office will refer all safety issues to the Dept. of Labor.

Groundwater violations are present in MW1 and MW2. MW2 is located offsite of wwtp.

Operator and Back-up operator needs to be designated.

On the day of inspection the facility was considered non-compliant in regards to Permit # WQ0017224.

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Туре	Yes No NA NE
Single Family Spray, LR	
Lagoon Spray, LR	
Infiltration System	
Activated Sludge Spray, LR	
Activated Sludge Spray, HR	
Single Family Drip	
Recycle/Reuse	
Activated Sludge Drip, LR	
Reuse (Quality)	
Treatment Influent Pump Station	Yes No NA NE
Is the pump station free of bypass lines or structures?	□□■
Is the general housekeeping acceptable?	□□■
Are all pumps present?	□□■
Are all pumps operable?	□□□■
Are floats/controls operable?	□□■
Are audio and visual alarms available?	□□■
Are audio and visual alarms operational?	□□■
# Are SCADA/Telemetry alarms required?	□□■
Are SCADA/Telemetry available?	
Are SCADA/Telemetry operational?	□ □ ■ □
Comment:	
Treatment Flow Measurement-Influent	<u>Yes No NA NE</u>
Is flowmeter calibrated annually?	□ □ ■ □
Is flowmeter operating properly?	
Does flowmeter monitor continuously?	
Does flowmeter record flow?	
Does flowmeter appear to monitor accurately?	
Comment:	
Treatment Flow Measurement-Water Use Records	Yes No NA NE
Is water use metered?	
Are the daily average values properly calculated?	
Comment:	
Treatment Flow Measurement-Effluent	Yes No NA NE

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Is the aeration mechanism operable? Is the aeration basin thoroughly mixed? Is the aeration equipment easily accessed? Is Dissolved Oxygen adequate? Are Settleometer results acceptable? Is activated sludge an acceptable color? Comment: Two new BB69 C KAESER Blowers were installed. **Treatment Clarifiers** Yes No NA NE Are the weirs level? Are the weirs free of solids and algae?

Is the scum removal system operational?

Is the scum removal system accessible?

Is the sludge blanket at an acceptable level?

Is the effluent from the clarifier free of excessive solids?

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Comment: Clarifier #1 was the only clarifier being used. Operator could not measure sludge blanket

<u>because not having an adequate sludge judge.</u>	
Treatment Return pumps	Yes No NA NE
Are they in place?	
Are they operational?	
Comment:	
Treatment Filters	Yes No NA NE
Is the filter media present?	
Is the filter media the correct size and type?	
Is the air scour operational?	
Is the scouring acceptable?	
Is the clear well free of excessive solids?	
Is the mud well free of excessive solids and filter media?	
Does backwashing frequency appear adequate?	
Comment: The filters were not being backwashed as needed. The operator had put additional ca	
filters in the troughs to help with screening any solids that may come from the clarifiers	<u>3.</u>
Treatment Disinfection	Yes No NA NE
Is the system working?	
Do the fecal coliform results indicate proper disinfection?	
Is there adequate detention time (>=30 minutes)?	
Is the system properly maintained?	
If gas, does the cylinder storage appear safe?	
Is the fan in the chlorine feed room and storage area operable?	
Is the chlorinator accessible?	
If tablets, are tablets present?	
Are the tablets the proper size and type?	
Is contact chamber free of sludge, solids, and growth?	
If UV, are extra UV bulbs available?	
If UV, is the UV intensity adequate?	
# Is it a dual feed system?	
Does the Stationary Source have more than 2500 lbs of Chlorine (CAS No. 7782-50-5)?	
If yes, then is there a Risk Management Plan on site?	
If yes, then what is the EPA twelve digit ID Number? (1000)	
If yes, then when was the RMP last updated?	
Comment:	

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Is a copy of current permit available? Are monitoring reports present: NDMR? NDAR? Are flow rates less than of permitted flow? Are flow rates less than of permitted flow? Are application rates adhered to? Is GW monitoring being conducted, if required (GW-59s submitted)? Are all samples analyzed for all required parameters? Are there any 2L GW quality violations? Is GW-59A certification form completed for facility? Is effluent sampled for same parameters as GW? Do effluent concentrations exceed GW standards? Are annual soil reports available? # Are PAN records required? # Did last soil report indicate a need for lime? If so, has it been applied? Are operational logs present? Are lab sheets available for review? Do lab sheets support data reported on NDMR? Do lab sheets support data reported on GW-59s? Are Operational and Maintenance records present? Were Operational and Maintenance records complete? Has permittee been free of public complaints in last 12 months? Is a copy of the SOC readily available? No treatment units bypassed since last inspection? Comment: Rebecca Manning provided NDMR/NDAR, Bench sheets, Lab sheets for Octoberl, 2020 was spot checked with no discrepancies found.. **End Use-Infiltration** Yes No NA NE High Rate # Is the application High Rate or Low Rate? Are buffers maintained? Are any supply wells within the CB? Are any supply wells within 250' of the CB? Is municipal water available in the area? Are GW monitoring wells required? Are GW monitoring wells located properly w/ respect to RB and CB? $\sqcap \sqcap \sqcap \blacksquare$ Are GW monitoring wells properly constructed, including screened interval?

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Is a usable green area maintained? Is the disposal site acceptable? Is the distribution equipment acceptable? Is the disposal site free of ponding? Is the disposal site free of breakout? Are the disposal sites free of solids, algae, etc.? Do the records show that the fields are properly maintained? Are the disposal sites free of vegetation? Do any surface water features appear to be adversely impacted by GW discharge? No chemicals or rototiller used to eliminate vegetation, solids, algae, etc.? Comment: The infiltration pond needs the woody vegetation removed to insure leaves do not prevent infiltration from occurring at a high rate as designed. **End Use-Reuse** Yes No NA NE Is the acreage in the permit being utilized? Does the acreage specified in the permit correspond to the measured acreage at the site? Are all essential units provided in duplicate? Is an automatically activated standby power source available? Is the equalization capacity adequate? Is aerated flow equalization present? Has the turbidity meter been calibrated in the last 12 months? Does the turbidity meter have recording capabilities? Is all flow diverted at the appropriate times? Is all upset wastewater diverted from reuse storage unit? Is all upset wastewater treated, retreated, or disposed of acceptably? Is upset wastewater treated prior to discharge to irrigation storage? Is public access restricted from irrigation area during active site use? If golf course, is a sign posted in plain sight on the club house? Is the cover crop acceptable? Are buffers adequate? Is the site free of ponding/runoff? Is the acreage in the permit being utilized? Is the application equipment acceptable? Is the application area free of limiting slopes? How close is the closest water supply well? Are any supply wells within the CB? $\sqcap \sqcap \sqcap \blacksquare$ Are any supply wells within 250' of the CB?

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Comment: Spray Irrigation Fields are not being utilized. The weather station is not operable. All wastewater is going to the high rate pond.

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