

## General information

**Public comment period begins:** October 28, 2022  
**Public comment period ends:** December 27, 2022  
**Current permit issued:** January 11, 2011  
**Current permit expiration date:** December 31, 2015

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to issue this permit until November 30, 2023.

<b>Name and address of Permittee:</b>	<b>Facility name and location:</b>	<b>MPCA contact person:</b>
City of Wendell P.O. Box 98 Wendell, MN 56590-0098	Wendell Wastewater Treatment Facility Township Road Wendell, MN 56590 Grant County T130N, R43W, Section 034	Stephanie Lyons Municipal Division Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 525 Lake Avenue South, Suite 400 Duluth, MN 55802 Phone: 218-302-6643 Email: <a href="mailto:stephanie.lyons@state.mn.us">stephanie.lyons@state.mn.us</a>
		File manager phone: 651-757-2728 or 844-828-0942

A draft permit is available for review on the MPCA Public Notices webpage at <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publicnotices>. Additional materials relating to the issuance of this permit are available for inspection by appointment at any MPCA office (<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mPCA/contact-us>) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The MPCA will mail or email a copy of the draft permit upon request. Comments, petitions, and other requests must be received at the MPCA in writing on or before the public comment period end date and U.S. Mail comments must be received by 4:30 p.m.

**Watershed:** Mustinka River

**Receiving water:** Mustinka River - Class 2Bg, 3, 4A, 4B, 5, 6 water

## Description of Wendell Wastewater Treatment Facility

The Wendell Wastewater Treatment Facility (Facility) is located in the SW 1/4 of Section 34, Township 130 North, Range 43 West, Wendell, Grant County, Minnesota. This is a Class D Facility.

The application and plans show that the existing Facility consists of a collection system, one lift station, approximately 7,500 feet of 4-inch force main, and a two-cell stabilization pond system. The Facility has a controlled discharge (SD001) to the Mustinka River (Class 2B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5, 6 Water) and is designed to treat an annual average wet weather flow of 19,500 gallons per day (gpd) with a 5-day carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand strength of 267 milligrams per liter. The stabilization pond system has a detention time of approximately 200 days at design flow.

The Facility has one bypass control structure located on the east side of the primary pond. This structure is capable of discharging treated wastewater from either the primary or secondary pond.

The Facility is further described in plans and specifications on file with the MPCA prepared by the engineering firm KBM, Inc., Grand Forks, North Dakota.

The preliminary determination to issue this Wastewater notice of coverage is tentative.

## Procedure for public participation

As stated in Minn. R. chs. 7000 and 7001, there are three formal procedures for public participation in the MPCA's consideration of this matter. Interested persons may:

- 1) Submit written comments on the draft permit.
- 2) Petition the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting.
- 3) Petition the MPCA to hold a contested case hearing.

## Submitting written comments

Comments may be submitted:

- 1) Online at <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publiccomments>; or
- 2) By U.S. postal mail to the following address:  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
c/o Stephanie Lyons  
525 Lake Avenue South, Suite 400  
Duluth, MN 55802

Submitted comments or petitions must state:

- 1) Your interest in the permit application or the draft permit.
- 2) The action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to the section of the draft permit you believe should be changed.
- 3) The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA to investigate the merits of the position.

## Public informational meeting

A public informational meeting is an informal meeting during which interested persons can ask questions concerning the proposed facility. MPCA staff will be present to provide information. If an interested person would like the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting, the person should include all information identified above and in addition include a statement of the reasons the person desires the MPCA to hold a public informational meeting and the issues that the person would like the agency to address at the public informational meeting.

## Contested Case Hearing

A contested case hearing is a formal proceeding before an administrative law judge empowered to advise the MPCA regarding issues of fact. As described in Minn. R. 7000.1800, persons who submit petitions for a contested case hearing must also state the issues they propose to address in a contested case hearing, the specific relief requested or resolution of the matter, and the reasons (which may be in the form of proposed findings) supporting an MPCA decision to hold a contested case hearing. Failure to comply with these rules exactly may result in a denial of the request. To the extent known, the petitioner may also submit a list of prospective witnesses to be called at a hearing, a proposed list of publications, references, or studies to be introduced at a hearing and the approximate time required for the petitioner to present the matter at a hearing. The decision whether to hold a contested case hearing will be made under Minn. R. 7000.1900.