

General information

Public comment period begins: November 21, 2024
Public comment period ends: December 23, 2024
Current permit issued: March 23, 2021
Current permit expiration date: February 28, 2031

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to modify this permit for the remainder of the permitting term described above.

Name and address of Permittee:	Facility name and location:	MPCA contact person:
Lutsen Mountains Corporation 1001 Bridge Run Ln Lutsen, MN 55612	Ullr & Eagle Mountain Wastewater Treatment Facility 467 Ski Hill Rd Lutsen, MN 55612 Cook County T060N, R03W, Section 021	Amanda Wilson Municipal Division Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 525 S Lake Ave Ste 400 Duluth, MN 55802 Phone: 218-302-6680 Email: amanda.wilson@state.mn.us File manager phone: 651-757-2728 or 844-828-0942

A draft permit is available for review on the MPCA Public Notices webpage at <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/get-engaged/public-comments>. 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: Lake Superior - North

Description of Ullr & Eagle Mountain Wastewater Treatment Facility

Existing Facility

The existing facility discharges from WS 009 and WS 017 by subsurface discharge to onsite drainfields. This is a Class C facility. The facility has three separate treatment systems:

Eagle Ridge System 1

The Eagle Ridge System 1 (WS 008) is designed to treat an average wet weather (AWW) flow of 0.0063 million gallons per day (MGD) and a maximum design flow of 0.0095 MGD.

The Eagle Ridge System 1 consists of 13 septic tanks, an aerated attached-growth denitrification tank, three equalization surge tanks, two dosing tanks, a chlorine feed system for pathogen treatment, and a 10-zone subsurface drip irrigation system.

Eagle Ridge System 2

The Eagle Ridge System 2 (WS 010) is designed to treat an AWW flow of 0.0026 MGD and a maximum design flow of 0.0038 MGD.

The Eagle Ridge System 2 consists of seven septic tanks and a trench drainfield system.

Existing Ullr Mountain System

Ullr System (WS 016) is designed to treat an AWW flow of 0.0060 MGD and a maximum design flow of 0.0090 MGD.

The Ullr Mountain System consists of six septic tanks, a recirculating gravel filter and tank, two dosing tanks, and an 8-zone subsurface drip irrigation system.

Biosolids produced at the three facilities are pumped and transported to the Grand Marais Wastewater Treatment facility.

Proposed Ullr Mountain System

Proposed construction at the Ullr Mountain System will consist of adding a 1,000-gallon grease tank and replacing two existing 3,200-gallon septic tanks with one 10,000-gallon septic tank and one 10,000-gallon equalization tank. Design flow and loading at the facility will not be changed.

The preliminary determination to modify this Wastewater permit 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 <https://mpca.commentinput.com/comment/search>; or
- 2) By U.S. postal mail to the following address:
Amanda Wilson
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
525 S Lake Ave, Ste 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.