

## Statewide

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF DRAFT GENERAL NPDES PERMIT FOR HOUSEHOLD SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS

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Public notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA)–Division of Surface Water (DSW) has issued a draft general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. OHK000003 that may provide coverage to discharges from select household sewage treatment systems (HSTS) serving one, two or three family dwellings or other residential dwellings as defined by Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3701-29 in the state of Ohio. The draft general NPDES permit was issued on October 18, 2016. The Ohio EPA-DSW has developed this draft general NPDES permit through consultation with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) and a workgroup consisting of local health districts and takes into consideration revisions to OAC 3701-29: Household Sewage Treatment Rules through requirements established by Ohio Revised Code 3718 which became effective January 1, 2015.

The issuance of this draft general NPDES permit addresses the renewal of the existing NPDES Permit Nos. OHK000002 and OHL000002 which expire on December 31, 2016. In accordance with OAC 3745-1-05, an antidegradation review was conducted during the development of those general permits to determine the appropriateness and magnitude of coverage under the general permits and the associated potential lowering of water quality. Draft general NPDES Permit No. OHK000003 does not increase permit limitation nor does it expand the universe of potential new or increased discharges contemplated under general NPDES Permit Nos. OHK000002 and OHL000002. Therefore, an additional review under the provisions of OAC 3745-1-05 is not necessary in issuing this renewal general NPDES permit.

Copies of the draft general NPDES permit, its associated fact sheet and further documentation can be obtained on the Ohio EPA-DSW web page at <http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/permits/gpfact.aspx> or by contacting one of the following Ohio EPA district offices:

Southeast District Office	(740) 385-8501
Southwest District Office	(937) 285-6357
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Persons wishing to be on the Ohio EPA's interested parties mailing list for this project or wishing to submit comments for Ohio EPA's consideration may do so in writing to Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water, Attention: Mark Stump, Permitting Section, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216. Comments should be submitted related to this permit by November 25, 2016.