

Department of Environmental Quality

May 3, 2018

Mr. Phillip Vick City of Conway Street and Engineering Department 100 East Robins Street Conway, AR 72032

RE: Short Term Activity Authorization Request No. 20180116 – City of Conway Street & Engineering Department – Debris Removal, Faulkner County

Dear Mr. Vick:

The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has completed its review of your above referenced request for a short term activity authorization (STAA) to facilitate the removal of sediment and debris from Tucker Creek and Centennial Creek. Woody debris, underbrush will be mulched within the easement boundaries that have trees. Sediment accumulations that are impeding the flow of water will be removed. Best management practices (BMPs) adequate for this type of project shall be utilized during the course of this project. The project sites are located in Sections 9 and 16, T 5 N, R 14 W (Lat. 35.0869, Lon. -92.5019, Lat. 35.0744, Lon. -92.4939), Faulkner County.

The applicant is responsible for compliance with all applicable terms and conditions of this authorization. Receipt of this authorization does not relieve any applicant of the responsibility to comply with any other applicable federal, state or local statute, ordinance, policy, or regulation.

ADEQ hereby grants you a short term activity authorization to exceed the turbidity standard during the performance of the activity described above, and in your request received April 25, 2018, pursuant to the following conditions:

- 1. City of Conway Street & Engineering Department shall contact Amy Beck or Travis Harmon ADEQ District 5 Inspectors, by email at beck@adeq.state.ar.us or harmont@adeq.state.ar.us, at least 24 hours prior to the initiation of each stream crossing or in-stream activity which may cause or contribute to a water quality turbidity violation. Please reference ADEQ STAA No. 20180116.
- 2. The applicant will limit the construction activity to low flow conditions as much as possible.
- 3. The applicant will take all reasonable measures to limit equipment and machine usage in the wetted areas of the streams.
- 4. The applicant will utilize BMPs to minimize the impacts of sedimentation and turbidity in each stream. The applicant's activities shall not cause violations of any other water quality standards.
- 5. The applicant shall document the date and duration of each in-stream activity and

- the specific BMPs utilized to minimize impacts to the water quality of the water body. This information shall be kept for a period of six (6) months after completion of the project and this information shall be made available to ADEQ upon request.
- 6. The applicant shall cease all in-stream construction activities immediately upon any precipitation event occurring. Any BMPs that are damaged following a rain event will be reinforced or repaired within three days of the rain event to limit any downstream impacts. The applicant shall document the condition of the BMPs and repairs made to the BMPs once the rain event ceases. The applicant shall maintain records of the date and duration of the precipitation events and document all corrective actions taken to repair all BMPs. The applicant shall maintain these records for a period of six (6) months following completion of the project and this information shall be made available to ADEQ upon request.
- 7. A short term activity authorization has been issued pursuant to the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission's Regulation No. 2, Section 2.305(E). This authorization is for a period of three (3) months, beginning upon the initiation of in stream activities. If the project is not completed within the three (3) month period, the applicant should contact ADEQ to request a new STAA.
- 8. The applicant will take all reasonable measures to prevent the spillage or leakage of any chemicals, oil, grease, gasoline, diesel, or other fuels. In the unlikely event such spillage or leakage occurs, the applicant will notify ADEQ immediately.
- 9. No construction activity is authorized in any waterbody designated as Extraordinary Resource Waters, Natural and Scenic Waterways, or Ecologically Sensitive Water bodies.
- 10. The applicant shall cease construction activity immediately if the ADEQ Director rescinds or revokes this short term activity authorization in writing.
- 11. If a construction site will disturb equal to or greater than one (1) acre and less than five (5) acres, the applicant shall comply with the requirements in Reg. 6.203 for Stormwater discharge associated with a small construction site, as defined in APC&EC Regulation No. 6. If the construction site will disturb five (5) acres or more, the applicant shall comply with the terms of the Stormwater Construction General Permit Number ARR150000 prior to the start of construction. BMPs must be implemented regardless of the size. More information can be obtained by contacting the NPDES Stormwater Section of ADEQ at (501) 682-0621.

In issuing this authorization, ADEQ does not assume any liability for the following:

- A. Damages to the proposed project, or uses thereof, as a result of other permitted or unpermitted activities or from natural causes.
- B. Damages to persons, property, or to other permitted or unpermitted activities or structures caused by this authorization.
- C. Design or construction deficiencies associated with this proposed project.

If you have any questions regarding this authorization please contact Ms. Lazendra Hairston at (501) 682-0946.

Sincerely,

for

Caleb J. Osborne

Associate Director, Office of Water Quality

cc: Amy Beck, ADEQ

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