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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. MT-14-03
February 3, 2013

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this notice is to state the Department's intention to issue wastewater discharge permits to the facilities listed in this notice. These permits are issued by the Department under the authority of 75-5-402, Montana Code Annotated (MCA) and the Administrative Rules of Montana 17.30.1001 *et seq.*, Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS). The Water Protection Bureau has prepared draft permits for the facilities listed below. Copies of the draft permits, statements of basis, and environmental assessments are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: Montana Innovations, LLC

FACILITY NAME: Belgrade #4 Truck Stop and Convenience Store

FACILITY LOCATION: Intersection of Exit 298 off Interstate 90 and Amsterdam Road
Belgrade, Montana 59714
Section 2, Township 1 South, Range 4 East
Gallatin County

RECEIVING WATER: Outfall 001: Class I Ground Water

PERMIT NUMBER: MTX000232

The proposed Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS) permit authorizes Montana Innovations, LLC to discharge treated domestic wastewater from the proposed Belgrade #4 Truck Stop and Convenience Store Wastewater Facility to ground water.

The proposed wastewater treatment system would collect and treat domestic wastewater from truck stop and convenience store with a fast-food restaurant in the future. The plans include primary treatment in a septic tank. Primary treatment is followed by advanced treatment in a recirculating sand filter. The treated effluent would then be discharged into an adjacent subsurface drainfield.

The receiving water for the proposed discharge structure (Outfall 001) is shallow Class I ground water as defined in ARM 17.30.1006. The drainfield associated with Outfall 001 is located:

- Southeast ¼ of Section 2, Township 1 South, Range 4 East;
- 45.773633 North Latitude and -111.198532 West Longitude.

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PERMITTEE: Frenchtown School District
P.O. Box 117
Frenchtown, MT 59834

FACILITY NAME: Frenchtown High School and Junior High School

FACILITY LOCATION: 17620 Frenchtown Frontage Road
Frenchtown, MT 59834

RECEIVING WATER: Outfall 001 – Class I Ground Water
Outfall 002 – Class I Ground Water

PERMIT NUMBER: MTX000207

This is a renewal of the Montana Ground Water Pollution Control System (MGWPCS) permit for the Frenchtown High School and Junior High School (facility) located in Frenchtown, MT. This facility is owned by the Frenchtown School District (permittee). The facility is located just northwest of Frenchtown on the north side of Interstate 90. The discharge from the facility is seasonal with a low volume of discharge during the summer. The facility consists of two systems: one system that serves the high school and junior high school and a second system that serves the vocational building and stadium.

The raw waste from the high school enters an 8,500 gallon septic tank. Effluent from this tank then enters a 1,500 gallon dose tank and is connected to a 15,000 gallon septic tank via a force main. Raw waste from the junior high enters a 5,000 gallon septic tank; effluent from this tank also flows into the 15,000 gallon septic tank. A 4-inch force main pumps the effluent from the 15,000 gallon septic tank into an 8,500 gallon dose tank. The effluent is pressure-dosed into a subsurface drainfield (Outfall 001). This drainfield discharges into Class I ground water (see Section II.H.).

The system serving the vocational building and the stadium restrooms includes a 2,500 gallon septic tank under the bleachers that connects to a 5,000 gallon septic tank via an 8-inch PVC pipe. The vocational building connects to the same 5,000 gallon septic tank. Effluent from the two septic tanks is pumped to a 2,000 gallon dose tank. The effluent is then pressure-dosed into a subsurface drainfield (Outfall 002). This drainfield discharges into Class I ground water.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS March 6, 2014. Comments may be directed to the DEQ Permitting & Compliance Division, Water Protection Bureau, PO Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620. All comments received or postmarked PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS March 6, 2014 will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permits. If you wish to comment electronically, you may e-mail David Dunbar or Barb Sharpe at WPBPublicNotices@mt.gov.

During the public comment period provided by the notice, the Department will accept requests for a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be in writing and must state the nature of the issue proposed to be raised in the hearing (ARM 17.30.1024).

The Department will respond to all substantive comments and issue a final decision within sixty days of this notice or as soon as possible thereafter. Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling (406) 444-3080 or by writing to the aforementioned address. The complete administrative record, including permit application and other pertinent information, is maintained at the Water Protection Bureau office in Helena and is available for review during business hours.

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