STATE OF TENNESSEE
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June 2, 2017

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Subject: **NPDES Construction General Permit Tracking No. TNR113020**
Cleveland Fire Hall #6
City of Cleveland
Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee

Dear Ms. Carroll:

You recently submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) form as part of an application package to obtain coverage under a General NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activity. The Division of Water Resources (the division) acknowledges receipt of the most recent version of the application for the above referenced project on June 2, 2017. After review, the application was deemed to be complete on June 2, 2017. Enclosed is the Notice of Coverage (NOC) form which shows the site name and location, receiving stream, effective date of coverage, etc.

Contractor Information

You have not identified a contractor on the NOI. You must identify a primary contractor, or contractor otherwise responsible for sediment and erosion controls on the construction site, if appropriate, and submit a revised NOI to this office prior to beginning earth clearing operations onsite. When submitting the NOI, please include the above referenced permit tracking number.

Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)

You have submitted a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) as required by Part 1.4.2 of the CGP. Please note that the division has not performed an engineering review of the SWPPP and does not certify whether the SWPPP adequately provides for the pollution prevention requirements at the site as described in the general permit. The division acknowledges that you have submitted a SWPPP that appears to include the required components of a SWPPP. It is the responsibility of all site operators to design, implement, and maintain measures that are sufficient to prevent pollution at the referenced site, and to remain in compliance with the terms and conditions of the general permit.

Receiving Stream not Supporting Designated Uses

The receiving stream for the construction site for which the NOI was submitted appears on the state's list for partially supporting or for not supporting a stream's designated use due to siltation and due to alteration in stream-side or littoral vegetative covers (habitat alteration).

Since the discharge from the proposed construction site may contain significant amounts of silt, the division considers the potential for degradation to the receiving stream from the discharge to be significant. Therefore, the additional pollution prevention requirements described in subpart 5.4 of the General Permit are applicable to your construction site; requirements of section 5.4.2. apply only if the stream is located on or adjacent to the disturbed area.

Additionally, since the receiving stream is located on or adjacent to the disturbed area, the division considers the potential for further degradation to the stream-side/littoral vegetative covers of the stream to be significant. Therefore, section 5.4.2. of the General Permit is applicable to your construction site, and requires that an average 60-foot (min. 30-foot at any measured location) water quality riparian buffer zone be preserved, to the maximum extent practicable, adjacent to the receiving stream.

Annual Maintenance Fee and Termination of Permit Coverage

Effective July 1, 2014, permit fees for the General Permit have been revised. In addition to new application fee amounts, annual maintenance fees are now required for projects that exceed one year of coverage. Permittees wishing to terminate coverage must submit a completed notice of termination (NOT) form, which is available on the division's construction stormwater webpage at http://www.tn.gov/environment/article/permit-water-npdes-stormwater-construction-permit.

The division will review the NOT for completeness and accuracy and, when necessary, investigate the site for which the NOT was submitted. The division will notify the applicant that either the NOT form was received and accepted, or that the permit coverage is not eligible for termination and has not been terminated. If applicable, the notification will include a summary of existing deficiencies.

We appreciate your attention to the general construction storm water permit and its requirements. A copy of the CGP can be obtained from http://www.tn.gov/environment/article/permit-water-npdes-stormwater-construction-permit. We believe this does make a difference to the quality of state waters. If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Lankford at (423) 634-5709 or by e-mail at *Natalie.Lankford@tn.gov*.

Sincerely,

for

Jennifer Innes
Environmental Program Manager

cc: DWR, Chattanooga EFO Permit File
Chris Broom, MS4 Program Manager, Cleveland Stormwater Division, cbroom@clevelandtn.gov
Ms. Jan Pass, P.E., Passpointe Engineering, LLC, janpass@passpointe.com

STATE OF TENNESSEE

NPDES PERMIT

Tracking Number TNR113020

NOTICE OF COVERAGE UNDER THE GENERAL NPDES PERMIT FOR STORMWATER DISCHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY (CGP)

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
Division of Water Resources
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

Under authority of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977 (T.C.A. 69-3-101 et seq.) and the delegation of authority from the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended by the Clean Water Act of 1977 (33 U.S.C. 1251, et seq.):

Name of the Construction Project: **Cleveland Fire Hall #6 (1.72 acres)**

Master Tracking Number at the Site: **TNR113020**
Permittee Name: **City of Cleveland**
Project Name: **Cleveland Fire Hall #6**
Contractor(s): **no contractor**
is authorized to discharge: storm water associated with construction activity
from site located at: **2190 Westland Drive, Bradley County**
to receiving waters named: **unnamed tributary to South Mouse Creek**
in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth herein.

Likely presence of threatened or endangered species in one mile radius: **NO**
Likely presence of threatened or endangered species downstream: **NO**

Additional pollution prevention requirements apply for discharges into waters which TDEC identifies as:
- **Unavailable Condition - Siltation and Habitat Alteration**
- **Exceptional Tennessee Waters: NO**

Your coverage under the CGP shall become effective on **June 2, 2017**, and shall be terminated upon receipt of Notice of Termination.

A copy of the CGP can be obtained from
http://www.tn.gov/environment/article/permit-water-npdes-stormwater-construction-permit