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TO: Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Environmental Quality Members  
Senate Natural Resources Committee Members  
House Appropriations Subcommittee on Environmental Quality Members  
House Natural Resources Committee Members

FROM: Dan Wyant, Director

DATE: December 21, 2015

SUBJECT: Part 13 Report for Fiscal Year 2015

In accordance with Section 1311 of Part 13, Permits, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, attached are the reports on permit and license activity during fiscal year 2015 for permits and licenses administered by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for which applications were received.

No applications were received for the following permits/license:

- Section 3503, Permit for Use of Water in Mining Iron Ore
- Section 11542, Municipal Solid Waste Incinerator Ash Landfill Operating License
- Section 32603, Permit for Submerged Log Removal from Great Lakes Bottomlands
- Section 63103a, Ferrous Mineral Mining Permit
- Section 63514 or 63525, Surface Coal Mining Permit
- Section 63704, Sand Dune Mining Permit

If you need further information, please contact Jim Sygo, Chief Deputy Director, DEQ, at 517-284-6709; or you may contact me at 517-284-6700.

Attachments

cc/att: Ellen Jeffries, Director, Senate Fiscal Agency  
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Part 13 Report  
October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015

Permit/License: Land and Water Interface Consolidated Applications<sup>1</sup>

NOTE: Due to conversion to a new application tracking database, data for the last six weeks of the year is not available.

Applications

Received	3,856
Administratively incomplete when received	2,505
Average time for completeness determination (days)	5
Number processed under Section 1309	N/A <sup>2</sup>

Decisions

Approved	3,555
By processing deadline	3,373
After processing deadline	182
Denied	28
By processing deadline	22
After processing deadline	6
Average processing time (days)	25
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	N/A <sup>3</sup>

Amount refunded under Section 1307 \$1,590.00

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<sup>1</sup>Includes Floodplain (Section 3104), Inland Lakes and Streams (Section 30104), Wetlands (Section 30304), Dam Construction (Section 31509), High Risk Erosion Areas (Section 32312), Bottomland Dredge and Fill (Section 32512), and Critical Dune (Section 35304) permits. Activities regulated under these statutory provisions are processed through a consolidated permit application. Since an activity often requires an authorization under more than one regulatory provision, it is not feasible to separate and report on decisions under each of these sections independently.

<sup>2</sup>The Water Resources Division's database is not capable of tracking this information. One staff person is the primary contact for each application even though multiple programs may be involved.

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Permit: Section 4105, Sewerage System Construction Permit

Applications

Received	509
Administratively incomplete when received	208
Average time for completeness determination (days)	15
Number processed under Section 1309	N/A <sup>4</sup>

Decisions

Approved	509
By processing deadline	509
After processing deadline	0
Denied	2
By processing deadline	2
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	24
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	0
Amount refunded under Section 1307	N/A <sup>5</sup>

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<sup>4</sup>Part 41 construction permits not delayed due to other permitting requirements.

<sup>5</sup>Part 31 construction permits are not subject to fees.

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Permit: Section 11509, Solid Waste Disposal Area Construction Permit

Applications

Received	10
Administratively incomplete when received	1
Average time for completeness determination (days)	24
Number processed under Section 1309	10

Decisions

Approved	8
By processing deadline	8
After processing deadline	0
Denied	0
By processing deadline	0
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	98
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	N/A
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$0.00

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License: Section 11512, Solid Waste Disposal Area Operating License

Applications

Received	40
Administratively incomplete when received	1
Average time for completeness determination (days)	19
Number processed under Section 1309	40

Decisions

Approved	45
By processing deadline	45
After processing deadline	0
Denied	0
By processing deadline	0
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	71
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	N/A
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$0.00

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License: Section 11702, Septage Waste Program License Renewal Applications

Applications

Received	256
Administratively incomplete when received	124
Average time for completeness determination (days)	43
Number processed under Section 1309	N/A

Decisions

Approved	244
By processing deadline	183
After processing deadline	61
Denied	
By processing deadline	12
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	67
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	0
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$0.00

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License: Section 11702, Septage Waste Program New Business License Applications

Applications

Received	21
Administratively incomplete when received	6
Average time for completeness determination (days)	5
Number processed under Section 1309	N/A

Decisions

Approved	20
By processing deadline	20
After processing deadline	0
Denied	0
By processing deadline	0
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	26
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	0
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$0.00

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License: Section 11702, Septage Waste Program New Vehicle License Applications

Applications

Received	119
Administratively incomplete when received	15
Average time for completeness determination (days)	6
Number processed under Section 1309	N/A

Decisions

Approved	118
By processing deadline	114
After processing deadline	4
Denied	1
By processing deadline	1
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	30
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	0
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$262.50

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Permit: Section 11709, Septage Waste Program Land New Site Permit Applications

Applications

Received	6
Administratively incomplete when received	4
Average time for completeness determination (days)	19
Number processed under Section 1309	N/A

Decisions

Approved	6
By processing deadline	6
After processing deadline	0
Denied	0
By processing deadline	0
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	15
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	0
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$0.00

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Permit: Section 61525, Oil or Gas Well Drilling Permit

Applications

Received	120
Administratively incomplete when received	56
Average time for completeness determination (days)	23
Number processed under Section 1309	28

Decisions

Approved	121
By processing deadline	121
After processing deadline	0
Denied	18
By processing deadline	18
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	28
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	0
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$0.00

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Permit: Section 62509, Brine, Storage, or Waste Disposal Well Drilling or  
Conversion Permit or Test Well Drilling Permit

Applications

Received	7
Administratively incomplete when received	1
Average time for completeness determination (days)	20
Number processed under Section 1309	1

Decisions

Approved	7
By processing deadline	7
After processing deadline	0
Denied	1
By processing deadline	1
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	81 <sup>1</sup>
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	0
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$0.00

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<sup>1</sup>Average processing time was uncharacteristically high because of delay by an applicant in getting the necessary revisions in order to finalize processing of three approved permits within this fiscal year.

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Permit: Section 76109, Sunken Aircraft or Watercraft Abandoned Property Recovery Permit

Applications

Received	1
Administratively incomplete when received	1
Average time for completeness determination (days)	1
Number processed under Section 1309	N/A <sup>6</sup>

Decisions

Approved	1
By processing deadline	1
After processing deadline	0
Denied	0
By processing deadline	0
After processing deadline	0
Average processing time (days)	43
Applications decided after deadline that were not processed in sequence	0
Amount refunded under Section 1307	\$0.00

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