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SUBJECT: Report on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
(Non-Storm Water) Program Fund for Fiscal Year 2023

In accordance with Section 3121(5) of Part 31, Water Resources Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, attached is the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) report on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (Non-Storm Water) Program Fund for fiscal year 2023.

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This report fulfills the reporting requirement contained in Section 3121(5) of Part 31, Water Resources Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

The activities discussed in this report represent fiscal year (FY) 2023 activities performed in administering the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy’s (EGLE) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program that were funded by the NPDES Fund.

Activity (a):

Subactivity	Fee FTE	Total FTE
Permit issuance and development	5.5	26.6
Compliance	15.8	76.6
Enforcement	.4	1.8

There were approximately 83.3 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions in FY 2023 in this program that were not funded by the NPDES fees.

Activity (b):

EGLE received 345 NPDES permit applications.

Activity (c):

Subactivity	Fee-Funded Staff Hours	Total Hours
Industrial major	4,928	24,406
Industrial minor	8,357	41,380
Municipal major	16,395	81,177
Municipal minor	8,357	41,380
Municipal combined sewer overflow	458	2,265
Wastewater lagoon	1,065	5,277
Agricultural permit	1,615	8,346
No Discharge	2,860	14,168

Activity (d):

Subactivity	Permits Issued
Industrial major	15
Industrial minor	89
Municipal major	13
Municipal minor	18
Municipal combined sewer overflow	1
Wastewater lagoon	2
Agricultural permit	3
No Discharge	0
Concentrated animal feeding operation*	1
Ballast water*	28
Biosolids*	0

*These are additional types of permits that were issued, but they are not covered by a fee category indicated in Section 3120(1); therefore, they are not required to be reported in activity (c), above.

Activity (e):

No permit applications were denied.

Activity (f):

Permit applicants withdrew 29 applications.

Activity (g):

The percentage and number of permit applications reviewed for administrative completeness within statutory time frames were 95.6 percent and 308, respectively.

Activity (h):

EGLE received 220 permit applications (68.3 percent) that were administratively complete as received.

Activity (i):

EGLE took final action for 52 out of 56 new permit applications (92.9 percent) within 180 days and 94 out of 144 applications for reissuance (65.3 percent) within the required time frame.

Activity (j):

EGLE did not reopen any permits to put them in the proper basin year.

Activity (k):

There were five unfilled positions dedicated to the NPDES Program at the end of FY 2023.

Activity (l):

The amount of revenue in the NPDES Fund at the end of FY 2023 was \$446,045.