

PUBLIC NOTICE

Date: October 28, 2016
Permit No.: MI0056324
Facility Designated Name: Kalamazoo Lake WWTP

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Resources Division (WRD), proposes to reissue a permit to Kalamazoo Lake Sewer & Water Authority for the Kalamazoo Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 6449 Old Allegan Road, Saugatuck, MI 49453, in Allegan County. The applicant collects and treats municipal wastewater from the City of Saugatuck, Saugatuck Township, Laketown Township, and the City of Douglas. The permittee discharges treated municipal wastewater to the Kalamazoo River.

The draft permit includes the following modifications to the previously-issued permit: The permit condition, Groundwater Monitoring For Lagoon Exfiltration/Leakage has been added. The Michigan Industrial Pretreatment Program has been deferred and replaced with the permit condition, Industrial Waste Pretreatment Program. The final effluent limitation for total mercury has been changed to 2.0 nanograms per liter (ng/l), which is the discharge-specific level currently achievable based on a multiple discharger variance (MDV) from the water quality-based effluent limit of 1.3 ng/l, pursuant to R 323.1103(9) of the Part 4 Rules, Water Quality Standards (WQS), promulgated under Part 31, Water Resources Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

Comments or objections to the draft permit received by November 27, 2016, will be considered in the final decision to issue the permit. Persons desiring information regarding the draft permit, procedures for commenting, or requesting a hearing should contact Maureen Nelson, Permits Section, WRD, DEQ, P.O. Box 30458, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7958; telephone: 517-284-5598; e-mail: nelsonm2@michigan.gov.

Copies of the permit application, public notice, basis for decision memo, and draft permit may be obtained via the Internet at <https://miwaters.deq.state.mi.us> - click on Public Notice Search; or at the WRD's Kalamazoo District Office located at 7953 Adobe Road, Kalamazoo, MI, 49009-5025; Telephone: 269-567-3500.

The discharge-specific level currently achievable for total mercury was developed in accordance with the WRD's approved MDV. A copy of the MDV may be obtained via the Internet at <http://www.michigan.gov/deqnpdes> (select "Applicable Rules and Regulations"), or at the WRD's Kalamazoo District Office.