Wastewater Enforcement: Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality and Craighead County School District Enter into Consent Administrative Order



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The Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment - Division of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") and Westside Consolidated School District #5 ("Westside") entered into a January 16th Consent Administrative Order ("CAO") addressing an extension of a compliance date to address construction activities pursuant to a Clean Water Act National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") Permit. See Case #: CAO-25-0110.

The CAO provides that Westside operates a nonmunicipal domestic wastewater treatment plant associated with a public school in Craighead County, Arkansas.

The facility operates pursuant to an NPDES Permit.

Part I.B of the NPDES Permit is stated to have required a final progress report on Final Effluent Limitation for Total Residual Chlorine by April 1, 2027.

Westside is stated to have requested on August 1, 2025, an extension of the final compliance date set forth in Part I.B of the Permit to allow the construction activities to be completed when school is not in session.

The CAO requires that on or before December 31, 2027, Westside shall submit the final progress report required by Part I.B of the Permit and certify compliance with the Final Effluent Limitation for Total Residual Chlorine. Such certification must be signed by Westside and an Arkansas professional engineer.

A copy of the CAO can be downloaded here.