

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Protection de la nature et des Parcs

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL**

NUMBER 4878-C5AR8X Issue Date: October 14, 2021

Mark David Griffith 55 Highland Ave Toronto, Ontario M4W 2A2

Site Location: Site 1:

1405 Juddhaven Road Township of Seguin

P0B 1J0

PIN: 52200-0196

Site 2:

1405 Juddhaven Road

Township of Muskoka Lakes

P0B 1J0

PIN: 48142-0116

You have applied under section 20.2 of Part II.1 of the <u>Environmental Protection Act</u>, R.S.O. 1990, c. E. 19 (Environmental Protection Act) for approval of:

establishment, use and operation of sewage works for the treatment and subsurface disposal of domestic sewage, with a daily sanitary sewage flow of 2,950 Litres per day located at the above site location Site 1 to service a three (3) bedroom cottage and a one (1) bedroom boathouse for recreational use, located at the above noted Site Location Site 2, and consisting of the following:

#### Located at Site 1:

#### Septic Tank

one (1) new two-chamber 6,135 Litre capacity septic tank, equipped with an effluent filter that meets OBC specifications, with access risers to grade, receiving sewage from the three (3) bedroom cottage and boathouse and discharging by gravity to the filter bed described below;

### Raised Filter Bed

one (1) new raised filter bed consisting of 6 rows of 3 inch diameter distribution pipes each with a length of 5.6 metres spaced 1 metre apart and installed in a stone layer with a minimum thickness of 300 millimetres and a minimum contact area of 39.6 square metres (6 metres by 6.6 metres), overlying a filter sand layer with a depth of 750 millimetres, complete with a minimum 250 millimetres thick underlying soil mantle with a minimum area 295 square metres and a percolation time, T, of 10 minutes per centimetre that extends a minimum of 15 metres beyond the outer distribution pipes in the direction in which the effluent from the filter bed will move laterally, all in accordance with OBC requirements;

including all other controls, electrical equipment, instrumentation, piping, valves and appurtenances essential for proper operation of the aforementioned sewage works;

all in accordance with Supporting Documentation submitted to the Ministry as listed in the **Schedule A** in this Approval.

For the purpose of this environmental compliance approval, the following definitions apply:

- 1. "Approval" means this entire document and any schedules attached to it, and the application;
- 2. "Director" means a person appointed by the Minister pursuant to section 5 of the EPA for the purposes of Part II.1 of the EPA;
- 3. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the Sudbury District Office;
- 4. "EPA" means the *Environmental Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19, as amended;
- 5. "Licensed Engineering Practitioner" means a person who holds a licence, limited licence or temporary licence under the *Professional Engineers Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.28;
- 6. "Licensed Installer" means a person who is registered under the OBC to construct, install, repair, service, clean or empty on-site sewage systems;
- 7. "Ministry" means the ministry of the government of Ontario responsible for the EPA and OWRA and includes all officials, employees or other persons acting on its behalf;
- 8. "OBC" means the Ontario Building Code, Ontario Regulation 332/12 (Building Code) as amended to January 1, 2015, made under the *Building Code Act*, 1992, S.O. 1992, c. 23;
- 9. "Owner" means Mark David Griffith and its successors and assignees;
- 10. "OWRA" means the Ontario Water Resources Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40, as amended;

11. "Works" means the approved sewage works.

You are hereby notified that this environmental compliance approval is issued to you subject to the terms and conditions outlined below:

# **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. The Owner shall ensure that any person authorized to carry out work on or operate any aspect of the Works is notified of this Approval and the terms and conditions herein and shall take all reasonable measures to ensure any such person complies with the same.
- 2. The Owner shall design, construct, operate and maintain the Works in accordance with the conditions of this Approval.
- 3. Where there is a conflict between a provision of any document referred to in this Approval and the conditions of this Approval, the conditions in this Approval shall take precedence.
- 4. The issuance of, and compliance with the conditions of, this Approval does not:
  - a. statute, regulation or other legal requirement, including, but not limited to, the obligation to obtain approval from the local conservation authority necessary to construct or operate the sewage Works; or
  - b. limit in any way the authority of the Ministry to require certain steps be taken to require the Owner to furnish any further information related to compliance with this Approval.

## 2. EXPIRY OF APPROVAL

1. The approval issued by this Approval will cease to apply to those parts of the Works which have not been constructed within **five (5) years** of the date of this Approval.

#### 3. CHANGE OF OWNER

- 1. The Owner shall notify the District Manager and the Director, in writing, of any of the following changes within 30 days of the change occurring:
  - a. change of address of Owner;
  - b. change of Owner, including address of new owner;
  - c. change of partners where the Owner is or at any time becomes a partnership, and a copy of the most recent declaration filed under the *Business Names Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.B17 shall be

included in the notification to the District Manager;

- d. change of name of the corporation where the Owner is or at any time becomes a corporation, and a copy of the most current information filed under the *Corporations Information Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. C39 shall be included in the notification to the District Manager;
- 2. In the event of any change in ownership of the Works, other than a change to a successor municipality, the Owner shall notify in writing the succeeding owner of the existence of this Approval, and a copy of such notice shall be forwarded to the District Manager and the Director.

#### 4. CONSTRUCTION

- 1. The Owner shall ensure that the construction of the Works is supervised by a Licensed Installer or a Licensed Engineering Practitioner.
- 2. The Owner shall ensure that the Works are constructed such that minimum horizontal clearance distances as specified in the OBC are satisfied.
- 3. The Owner shall ensure that an imported soil that is required for construction of any subsurface disposal bed as per this Approval is tested and verified by the Licensed Engineering Practitioner or Licensed Installer for the percolation time (T) prior to delivering to the site location and the written records are kept at the site.
- 4. Upon construction of the Works, the Owner shall prepare a statement, certified by a Licensed Installer or a Licensed Engineering Practitioner, that the Works are constructed in accordance with this Approval, and upon request, shall make the written statement available for inspection by Ministry staff.
- 5. Upon construction of the Works, the Owner shall prepare a set of as-built drawings showing the works "as constructed". "As-built" drawings shall be kept up to date through revisions undertaken from time to time and a copy shall be retained at the site for the operational life of the Works and shall be made available for inspection by Ministry staff.

## 5. OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE, AND RECORDING

- 1. The Owner shall ensure that, at all times, the Works and the related equipment and appurtenances used to achieve compliance with this Approval are properly operated and maintained. Proper operation and maintenance shall include effective performance, adequate funding, adequate staffing and training, including training in all procedures and other requirements of this Approval and the OWRA and regulations, adequate laboratory facilities, process controls and alarms and the use of process chemicals and other substances used in the Works.
- 2. The Owner shall ensure that the septic tank is pumped out every 3-5 years or when the tank is 1/3 full of solids and the effluent filter is cleaned out at minimum once a year (or more often if

required).

- 3. The Owner shall ensure that grass-cutting is maintained regularly over the subsurface disposal bed(s), and that adequate steps are taken to ensure that the area of the underground works is protected from vehicle traffic.
- 4. The Owner shall visually inspect the general area where sewage works are located for break-out once every month during the operating season.
- 5. In the event a break-out is observed from a subsurface disposal bed, the Owner shall do the following:
  - a. sewage discharge to that subsurface disposal system shall be discontinued;
  - b. the incident shall be **immediately** reported verbally to the Spills Action Centre (SAC) at (416) 325-3000 or 1-800-268-6060;
  - c. submit a written report to the District Manager within one (1) week of the break-out;
  - d. access to the break-out area shall be restricted until remedial actions are complete;
  - e. during the time remedial actions are taking place the sewage generated at the site shall not be allowed to discharge to the environment; and
  - f. sewage generated at the site shall be safely collected and disposed of through a licensed waste hauler to an approved sewage disposal site.
- 6. The Owner shall maintain a logbook to record the results of Operation and Maintenance activities specified in the above sub-clauses, and shall keep the logbook at the site and make it available for inspection by the Ministry staff.
- 7. The Owner shall retain for a minimum of **five (5) years** from the date of their creation, all records and information related to or resulting from the Operation and Maintenance activities required by this Approval.

#### 6. CERTIFICATE OF REQUIREMENT

- 1. Pursuant to Section 197 of the EPA, no person having an interest in the Property, shall deal with the Property in any way without first giving a copy of this Approval to each person acquiring an interest in the Property as a result of the dealing.
- 2. The Owner shall:
  - 1. within sixty (60) days of the date of the issuance of this Approval, submit to the Director for their review, two copies of a completed Certificate of Requirement and a registerable

description of the Property; and

- 2. within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the Certificate of Requirement authorized by the Director, register the Certificate of Requirement in the appropriate Land Registry Office on title to the Property and submit to the Director the duplicate registered copy immediately following registration.
- for the purposes of this condition, Property shall mean the property located at: 1405 Juddhaven Road, Township of Seguin, P0B 1J0, PIN: 52200-0196 and 1405 Juddhaven Road, Township of Muskoka Lakes, P0B 1J0, PIN: 48142-0116

#### 7. REPORTING

- 1. One week prior to the start up of the operation of the Works, the Owner shall notify the District Manager (in writing) of the pending start up date.
- 2. In addition to the obligations under Part X of the EPA and O. Reg. 675/98 (Classification and Exemption of Spills and Reporting of Discharges), the Owner shall, within **fifteen (15) days** of the occurrence of any reportable spill as provided in Part X of the EPA and Ontario Regulation 675/98, submit a full written report of the occurrence to the District Manager describing the cause and discovery of the spill, clean-up and recovery measures taken, preventative measures to be taken and a schedule of implementation.

## 8. DECOMMISSIONING OF UN-USED SEWAGE WORKS

- 1. The Owner shall properly abandon any portion of unused existing sewage Works, as directed below, and upon completion of decommissioning report in writing to the District Manager.
  - a. any sewage pipes leading from building structures to unused sewage Works components shall be disconnected and capped;
  - b. any unused septic tanks, holding tanks and pump chambers shall be completely emptied of its content by a licensed hauler and either be removed, crushed and backfilled, or be filled with granular material;
  - c. if the area of the existing leaching bed is going to be used for the purposes of construction of a replacement bed or other structure, all distribution pipes and surrounding material must be removed by a licensed hauler and disposed off site at an approved waste disposal site; otherwise the existing leaching bed may be abandoned in place after disconnecting, if there are no other plans to use the area for other purposes;

The reasons for the imposition of these terms and conditions are as follows:

- 1. Condition 1 is imposed to ensure that the Works are built and operated in the manner in which they were described for review and upon which approval was granted. This condition is also included to emphasize the precedence of Conditions in the Approval and the practice that the Approval is based on the most current document, if several conflicting documents are submitted for review. The condition also advises the Owners their responsibility to notify any person they authorized to carry out work pursuant to this Approval the existence of this Approval.
- 2. Condition 2 is included to ensure that, when the Works are constructed, the Works will meet the standards that apply at the time of construction to ensure the ongoing protection of the environment.
- 3. Condition 3 is included to ensure that the Ministry records are kept accurate and current with respect to the approved works and to ensure that subsequent owners of the Works are made aware of the Approval and continue to operate the Works in compliance with it.
- 4. Condition 4 is included to ensure that the works are constructed, and may be operated and maintained such that the environment is protected and deterioration, loss, injury or damage to any person or property is prevented.
- 5. Condition 5 is included to require that the Works be properly operated, maintained, and equipped such that the environment is protected.
- 6. Condition 6 is included in order to require the Owner to give notice of this Approval to potential future owners of the property before the property is dealt with.
- 7. Condition 7 is included to provide a performance record for future references, to ensure that the Ministry is made aware of problems as they arise, and to provide a compliance record for all the terms and conditions outlined in this Approval, so that the Ministry can work with the Owner in resolving any problems in a timely manner.
- 8. Condition 8 is included to ensure that any components of un-used Works are properly decommissioned.

# Schedule A

| 1. | Application for Environmental Compliance Approval (Municipal and Private Sewage) signed and submitted by Mark Griffith received April 29, 2021 for the proposed Class 4 sewage works, and all supporting documentation and information. |
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In accordance with Section 139 of the Environmental Protection Act, you may by written Notice served upon me and the Environmental Review Tribunal within 15 days after receipt of this Notice, require a hearing by the Tribunal. Section 142 of the Environmental Protection Act provides that the Notice requiring the hearing shall state:

- a. The portions of the environmental compliance approval or each term or condition in the environmental compliance approval in respect of which the hearing is required, and;
- b. The grounds on which you intend to rely at the hearing in relation to each portion appealed.

The Notice should also include:

- 1. The name of the appellant;
- 2. The address of the appellant;
- 3. The environmental compliance approval number;
- 4. The date of the environmental compliance approval;
- 5. The name of the Director, and:
- 6. The municipality or municipalities within which the project is to be engaged in.

And the Notice should be signed and dated by the appellant.

This Notice must be served upon:

The Secretary\*
Environmental Review Tribunal
655 Bay Street, Suite 1500
Toronto, Ontario
M5G 1E5

AND

The Director appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the Environmental Protection Act Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor Toronto, Ontario M4V 1P5

\* Further information on the Environmental Review Tribunal's requirements for an appeal can be obtained directly from the Tribunal at: Tel: (416) 212-6349, Fax: (416) 326-5370 or www.ert.gov.on.ca

*The above noted activity is approved under s.20.3 of Part II.1 of the Environmental Protection Act.* 

DATED AT TORONTO this 14th day of October, 2021



Fariha Pannu, P.Eng.
Director
appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the
Environmental Protection Act

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- c: Area Manager, MECP North Bay Area Office
- c: District Manager, MECP Sudbury District Office Matt Taylor, Kenozha Bay Company