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File No.: 6085.00

April 12, 2023

Pauline Harder Grand Palms RV Resort Box 335, Grand Marais MB R0E 0T0 pauline@grandpalmsrvresort.com

Dear Pauline Harder:

Re: Grand Palms RV Resort - Environment Act Licence No. 3386

Thank you for your October 28, 2020, proposal. Enclosed is Environment Act Licence No. 3386 to Grand Palms RV Resort for the construction, expansion, and operation of an onsite wastewater management system that will serve the Grand Palms RV Resort.

Grand Palms RV Resort must follow all licence requirements and federal, provincial, and municipal regulations and by-laws. The licensee must have approval from the director per the Environment Act to alter the development.

Anyone affected by the issuance of this licence may appeal the decision to the Minister of Environment and Climate. Appeals must be submitted in writing to the Minister at <u>minec@leg.gov.mb.ca</u> by May 12, 2023. The licence is available on the public registry at <u>https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/eal/registries/index.html</u>

If you have any questions about this approval, please contact Allan Cyrenne, Acting Regional Supervisor, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch at <u>EnvCEEastern@gov.mb.ca</u> or 204-392-3227.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

Siobhan Burland Ross Acting Director

Enclosure

c. Allan Cyrenne

THE ENVIRONMENT ACT LOI SUR L'ENVIRONNEMENT





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Licence No. / Licence n°: <u>3386</u> Issue Date / Date de délivrance : <u>April 12, 2023</u>

In accordance with The Environment Act (C.C.S.M. c. E125) / Conformément à la Loi sur l'environnement (C.P.L.M. c. E125)

Pursuant to Section 10(1) / Conformément au Paragraphe 10(1)

THIS LICENCE IS ISSUED TO: / CETTE LICENCE EST DONNÉE

GRAND PALMS RV RESORT; "the licensee"

for the construction, expansion, and operation of the development being a wastewater collection and holding tank system with truck hauling of wastewater to licensed wastewater treatment facilities serving the Grand Palms RV Resort consisting of 171 existing sites and proposed 324 new campsites which operates on a seasonal basis on portions of NW 16-18-07 EPM in the Rural Municipality of Alexander in accordance with the proposal filed pursuant to The Environment Act dated October 28, 2020, and subject to the following specifications, limits, terms and conditions:

DEFINITIONS

In this licence,

"accredited laboratory" means an analytical facility accredited by the Standards Council of Canada (SCC), or accredited by another accrediting agency recognized by Manitoba Conservation and Climate to be equivalent to the SCC, or able to demonstrate, upon request, that it has the quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures in place equivalent to accreditation based on the international standard ISO/IEC 17025, or otherwise approved by the director;

"affected area" means a geographical area, excluding the property of the development;

"approved" means approved by the director or assigned environment officer in writing;

"bioassay" means a method of determining toxic effects of industrial wastes and other wastewaters by using viable organisms;

"day" means any 24-hour period;

"director" means an employee so designated pursuant to The Environment Act;

"environment officer" means an employee so designated pursuant to The Environment Act;

"greywater" means liquid waste from a dwelling or other building produced by bathing, laundering, or food preparation activities or from drainage associated with these sources and specifically excluding wastewater and septage;

"holding tank" means a watertight receptacle, conforming to the requirements of the latest edition of Canadian Standards Association (Association) Standard B66-10, *Prefabricated Septic Tanks and Sewage Holding Tanks*, and bearing a valid stamp or mark indicating certification by the Association, designed to retain wastewater, greywater or wastewater effluent;

"odour nuisance" means a continuous or repeated odour, smell or aroma, in an affected area, which is offensive, obnoxious, troublesome, annoying, unpleasant or disagreeable to a person:

- a) residing in an affected area;
- b) working in an affected area; or
- c) present at a location in an affected area which is normally open to members of the public; if the odour, smell or aroma
- d) is the subject of at least 5 written complaints, received by the director in a form satisfactory to the director and within a 90-day period, from 5 different persons falling within clauses a),
 b) or c), who do not live in the same household; or
- e) is the subject of at least one written complaint, received by the director in a form satisfactory to the director, from a person falling within clauses a), b) or c) and the director is of the opinion that if the odour, smell or aroma had occurred in a more densely populated area there would have been at least 5 written complaints received within a 90-day period, from 5 different persons who do not live in the same household;

"septage" means the sludge produced in individual on-site wastewater disposal systems such as septic tanks;

"service agreement" means an agreement to discharge wastewater to municipal wastewater treatment facilities;

"sludge" means accumulated solid material containing large amounts of entrained water, which has separated from wastewater during processing;

"Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" means the most recent edition of Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater published jointly by the American Public Health Association, the American Waterworks Association and the Water Environment Federation;

"wastewater" means the spent or used water of a community or industry which contains dissolved and suspended matter; and

"wastewater collection system" means the sewer and pumping system used for the collection and conveyance of domestic, commercial and industrial wastewater.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. The licensee shall direct all wastewater and greywater generated within the Grand Palms RV Resort toward the wastewater collection and holding tank system or other approved wastewater treatment facilities.
- 2. The licensee shall at all times maintain a copy of this licence at the development or at the premises from which the development's operations are managed.
- 3. In addition to any of the following specifications, limits, terms and conditions specified in this licence, the licensee shall, upon the request of the director:
 - a) sample, monitor, analyze or investigate specific areas of concern regarding any segment, component or aspect of pollutant storage, containment, handling, treatment and disposal systems, for such pollutants, ambient quality, aquatic toxicity, seepage characteristics and discharge rates and for such duration and frequencies as may be specified;
 - b) determine the environmental impact associated with the release of any pollutant from the development;
 - c) conduct specific investigations in response to the data gathered during environmental monitoring programs; or
 - d) provide the director within such time as may be specified, with such reports, drawings, specifications, analytical data, bioassay data, flow rate measurements and such other information as may from time to time be requested.
- 4. The licensee shall submit all information required to be provided to the director or environment officer under this licence, in written and electronic format, in such form (including number of copies) and of such content as may be required by the director or environment officer, and each submission shall be clearly labelled with the licence number and file number associated with this licence.
- 5. The licensee shall not cause or permit an odour nuisance to be created as a result of the construction, operation or alteration of the development, and shall take such steps as the director may require to eliminate or mitigate an odour nuisance.
- 6. The licensee shall, during construction of the development, operate, maintain and store all materials and equipment in a manner that prevents any deleterious substances (fuel, oil, grease, hydraulic fluids, coolant, paint, uncured concrete and concrete wash water, etc.) from entering the wastewater collection and holding tank system and associated watercourses during construction, and have an emergency spill kit for in-water use available on site during construction.
- 7. The licensee shall dispose of non-reusable construction debris from the development at a waste disposal ground operating under the authority of a permit issued pursuant to the Waste Management Facilities Regulation, or any future amendment thereof, or a licence issued pursuant to The Environment Act.
- 8. The licensee shall locate all fuel storage and equipment servicing areas established for the construction and operation of the development a minimum distance of 100 metres from any waterbody, and shall comply with the requirements of the Storage and Handling of Petroleum Products and Allied Products Regulation, or any future amendment thereof.

- 9. The licensee shall, during construction and maintenance of the development, prevent the introduction and spread of foreign aquatic and terrestrial biota by cleaning equipment prior to its delivery to the site of the development in accordance with the requirements of the Aquatic Invasive Species Regulation, or any future amendment thereof.
- 10. The licensee shall comply with the requirements of The Heritage Resources Act, and suspend construction and immediately notify the Historic Resources Branch if heritage resources are encountered during the construction of the development.

SPECIFICATIONS, LIMITS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Construction - General

- 11. The licensee shall notify the assigned environment officer prior to beginning construction of the development. The notification shall include the intended starting date of construction and the name of the contactor responsible for construction.
- 12. The licensee shall install the holding tanks of the development in accordance with manufacturers' instructions and the requirements of Manitoba Regulation 83/2003 respecting Onsite Wastewater Management Systems, or any future amendment thereof.

Breakdown or Process Upset Reporting

- 13. The licensee shall, in the case of physical or mechanical equipment breakdown or process upset where such breakdown or process upset results or may result in the release of a pollutant in an amount or concentration, or at a level or rate of release, that causes or may cause a significant adverse effect, immediately report the event by calling the 24-hour environmental accident reporting line at 204-944-4888 (toll-free 1-855-944-4888). The report shall indicate the nature of the event, the time and estimated duration of the event and the reason for the event.
- 14. The licensee shall, following the reporting of an event pursuant to Clause 13:
 - a) identify the repairs required to the mechanical equipment;
 - b) undertake all repairs to minimize unauthorized discharges of a pollutant;
 - c) complete the repairs in accordance with any written instructions of the director and/or the environment officer; and
 - d) submit a report to the director about the causes of breakdown and measures taken, within one week of the repairs being done.

Operation – General

15. The licensee shall obtain and maintain classification of the development pursuant to the Water and Wastewater Facility Operators Regulation or any future amendment thereof and maintain compliance with all requirements of the regulation including, but not limited to, the preparation and maintenance of a Table of Organization, Emergency Response Plan, and Standard Operating Procedures.

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16. The licensee shall carry out the operation of the development with individuals properly certified to do so pursuant to the Water and Wastewater Facility Operators Regulation or any future amendment thereof. In the event that the development is reclassified pursuant to the Regulation, the licencee shall provide a development plan to the Director to have certified operator(s) upgrade their certification.

Operation - Wastewater Management

- 17. The licensee shall, prior to commencing operation of the development, enter into and maintain a service agreement(s) with a service provider(s) for receiving and providing treatment of the wastewater from the holding tanks of the development at an off-site wastewater treatment facility operating under the authority of a licence issued under The Environment Act.
- 18. The licensee shall have wastewater pumped and hauled from the development by haulers registered, or who are employed by haulers registered, in accordance with Schedule G of Manitoba Regulation 83/2003 respecting Onsite Wastewater Management Systems, or any future amendment thereof.
- 19. The licensee shall operate and maintain the development such that:
 - a) septage is not discharged into the development; and
 - b) it effectively provides the service for which it was designed.
- 20. The licensee shall not spill, or allow to be spilled, wastewater in the areas around the development.
- 21. The licensee shall use only holding tanks approved by the Canadian Standards Association (Standard CSA B66) for the collection and storage of wastewater from the development, unless otherwise approved by the director.
- 22. The licensee shall install and maintain child resistant lids and hose accesses for the holding tanks that shall remain secured at all times when access to the holding tanks is not required for normal operation or servicing of the holding tank components of the development.
- 23. The licensee shall undertake a regular program of maintenance for the development that includes inspections to assess the integrity of the wastewater collection system and to determine if the holding tank components are watertight and structurally sound.

Alterations

24. The licensee shall notify the director and receive the approval of the director for any alterations to the development as licensed, prior to proceeding with such alterations.

REVIEW AND REVOCATION

- A. If, in the opinion of the director, the licensee has exceeded or is exceeding or has or is failing to meet the specifications, limits, terms, or conditions set out in this licence, the director may, temporarily or permanently, revoke this licence.
- B. If, in the opinion of the director, new evidence warrants a change in the specifications, limits, terms or conditions of this licence, the director may require the filing of a new proposal pursuant to Section 10 of The Environment Act or request that the licensee file a notice of alteration.

Original Signed By

Siobhan Burland Ross Director