

**Utah Division of Water Quality
Statement of Basis
ADDENDUM
Wasteload Analysis and Antidegradation Level I Review - FINAL**

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UPDES No. UT0021130

Receiving water: Blue Lakes (2B, 3D, 4)

This addendum summarizes the wasteload analysis that was performed to determine water quality based effluent limits (WQBEL) for this discharge. Wasteload analyses are performed to determine point source effluent limitations necessary to maintain designated beneficial uses by evaluating projected effects of discharge concentrations on in-stream water quality. The wasteload analysis also takes into account downstream designated uses (UAC R317-2-8). Projected concentrations are compared to numeric water quality standards to determine acceptability. The numeric criteria in this wasteload analysis may be modified by narrative criteria and other conditions determined by staff of the Division of Water Quality.

Discharge

Outfall 001: Drainage Ditch → Blue Lakes → Irrigation Canal

The maximum daily design discharge is 2.25 MGD and the maximum monthly design discharge is 1.5 MGD for the facility.

Receiving Water

The receiving water for Outfall 001 is an unnamed drainage ditch that is tributary to Blue Lakes, which outlets to an irrigation canal.

Based on the evaluation documented in the memorandum prepared by Ben Holcomb on March 25, 2014, the beneficial uses for Blue Lakes are 2B, 3D and 4.

- *Class 2B - Protected for infrequent primary contact recreation. Also protected for secondary contact recreation where there is a low likelihood of ingestion of water or a low degree of bodily contact with the water. Examples include, but are not limited to, wading, hunting, and fishing.*
- *Class 3D - Protected for waterfowl, shore birds and other water-oriented wildlife not included in Classes 3A, 3B, or 3C, including the necessary aquatic organisms in their food chain.*
- *Class 4 - Protected for agricultural uses including irrigation of crops and stock watering.*

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Typically, the critical flow for the wasteload analysis is considered the lowest lake elevation for seven consecutive days with a ten year return frequency (7Q10). No stage records were found for Blue Lakes and no water was assumed during critical conditions.

TMDL

The receiving water and downstream waterbodies are not listed as impaired for any parameters according to the 2010 303(d) list.

Mixing Zone

The maximum allowable mixing zone is 15 minutes of travel time for acute conditions, not to exceed 50% of stream width, and 2,500 feet for chronic conditions, per UAC R317-2-5. Water quality standards must be met at the end of the mixing zone. Due to the lack of dilution in Blue Lakes during critical conditions, no mixing zone is allowed.

Parameters of Concern

The potential parameters of concern identified for the discharge/receiving water were total suspended solids (TSS), dissolved oxygen (DO), BOD₅, total ammonia (TAN), E. coli, and pH as determined in consultation with the UPDES Permit Writer.

WET Limits

The percent of effluent in the receiving water in a fully mixed condition, and acute and chronic dilution in a not fully mixed condition are calculated in the WLA in order to generate WET limits. The LC₅₀ (lethal concentration, 50%) percent effluent for acute toxicity and the IC₂₅ (inhibition concentration, 25%) percent effluent for chronic toxicity, as determined by the WET test, needs to be below the WET limits, as determined by the WLA. The WET limit for LC₅₀ is typically 100% effluent and does not need to be determined by the WLA.

Table 1: WET Limits for IC₂₅

Season	Percent Effluent
Annual	100%

Effluent Limits

Effluent limits were determined using a mass balance mixing analysis (UDWQ 2012). The mass balance analysis is summarized in Appendix A.

The water quality standard for chronic ammonia toxicity is dependent on temperature and pH, and the water quality standard for acute ammonia toxicity is dependent on pH. The water quality standards for ammonia are summarized in Appendix B.

Due to lack of monitoring data, it was not possible to assess the effects of TP, TN, DO and BOD₅ in the effluent on the DO in the downstream receiving waters; therefore, it is presumed that secondary standards for BOD₅ and water quality criteria for DO are sufficiently protective of the receiving water.

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Table 3: Water Quality Based Effluent Limits Summary

Effluent Constituent	Acute			Chronic		
	Standard	Limit	Averaging Period	Standard	Limit	Averaging Period
Flow (MGD)		2.25	1 day		1.5	30 days
Dissolved Oxygen, Min. (mg/L)	3.0	3.0	Instantaneous	5.0	5.0	30 days
Ammonia (mg/L) ¹	Varies		1 hour	Varies		30 days
Summer (Jul-Sep)		3.2			1.1	
Fall (Oct-Dec)		3.2			2.5	
Winter (Jan-Mar)		3.2			2.9	
Spring (Apr-Jun)		3.2			1.7	

1: Ammonia limit due to toxicity requirements.

Models and supporting documentation are available for review upon request.

Antidegradation Level I Review

The objective of the Level I ADR is to ensure the protection of existing uses, defined as the beneficial uses attained in the receiving water on or after November 28, 1975. No evidence is known that the existing uses deviate from the designated beneficial uses for the receiving water. Therefore, the beneficial uses will be protected if the discharge remains below the WQBELs presented in this wasteload.

Due to the capacity upgrade of the facility, a Level II Antidegradation Review (ADR) is required for this discharge since the allowable pollutant load is increasing under this permit renewal.

Documents:

WLA Document: *grantsville_potw_wla_2014_final.docx*
Wasteload Analysis: *grantsville_potw_wla_2014.xlsm*

References:

Holcomb, B. 2014. Memorandum regarding Blue Lakes beneficial uses dated March 25, 2014. Utah Division of Water Quality.

Utah Division of Water Quality. 2012. *Utah Wasteload Analysis Procedures Version 1.0.*

WASTELOAD ANALYSIS [WLA]

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Appendix A: Mass Balance Mixing Analysis for Conservative Constituents

Discharging Facility:	Grantsville Lagoons		
UPDES No:	UT-0021130		
Permit Flow [MGD]:	0.76	Annual	Max. Daily
	0.76	Annual	Max. Monthly
Receiving Water:	Blue Lakes		
Stream Classification:	2B, 3D, 4		
Stream Flows [cfs]:	0.0	All Seasons	Critical Low Flow
Fully Mixed:	YES		
Acute River Width:	100%		
Chronic River Width:	100%		

Modeling Information

A mass balance mixing analysis was used to determine the effluent limits.

All model numerical inputs, intermediate calculations, outputs and graphs are available for discussion, inspection and copy at the Division of Water Quality.

Effluent Limitations

Current State water quality standards are required to be met under a variety of conditions including in-stream flows targeted to the 7-day, 10-year low flow (R317-2-9).

Other conditions used in the modeling effort reflect the environmental conditions expected at low stream flows.

Effluent Limitations for Protection of Recreation (Class 2B Waters)

Physical

Parameter	Maximum Concentration
pH Minimum	6.5
pH Maximum	9.0
Turbidity Increase (NTU)	10.0

Bacteriological

E. coli (30 Day Geometric Mean)	206 (#/100 mL)
E. coli (Maximum)	668 (#/100 mL)

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Effluent Limitations for Protection of Aquatic Wildlife (Class 3D Waters)

Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Minimum Concentration
Instantaneous	3.0
30-day Average	5.0

pH	Concentration
Minimum	6.5
Maximum	9.0

Inorganics	Parameter	Acute Standard (1 Hour Average) Standard
	Phenol (mg/L)	0.010
	Hydrogen Sulfide (Undissociated) [mg/L]	0.002

Ammonia-Total (mg/L)	Season	Chronic (30-day ave)			Acute (1-hour ave)		
		Standard	Background	Limit	Standard	Background	Limit
	Summer	1.1		1.1	3.2		3.2
	Fall	2.5		2.5	3.2		3.2
	Winter	2.9		2.9	3.2		3.2
	Spring	1.7		1.7	3.2		3.2

Metals-Total Recoverable	Parameter	Chronic (4-day ave)			Acute (1-hour ave)		
		Standard ¹	Background	Limit	Standard ¹	Background	Limit
	Aluminum (µg/L)	87.0		87.0	750.0		750.0
	Arsenic (µg/L)	150.0		150.0	340.0		340.0
	Cadmium (µg/L)	0.5		0.5	5.9		5.9
	Chromium VI (µg/L)	11.0		11.0	16.0		16.0
	Chromium III (µg/L)	182.2		182.2	1401.1		1401.1
	Copper (µg/L)	22.9		22.9	37.8		37.8
	Cyanide (µg/L) ²	5.2		5.2	22.0		22.0
	Iron (µg/L)				1000.0		1000.0
	Lead (µg/L)	8.1		8.1	208.6		208.6
	Mercury (µg/L) ²	0.012		0.012	2.4		2.4
	Nickel (µg/L)	131.7		131.7	1186.1		1186.1
	Selenium (µg/L)	4.6		4.6	18.4		18.4
	Silver (µg/L)				21.3		21.3
	Tributyltin (µg/L) ²	0.072		0.072	0.46		0.46
	Zinc (µg/L)	299.7		299.7	297.2		297.2

1: Based upon a Hardness of 300 mg/l as CaCO₃

2: Background concentration assumed 67% of chronic standard

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Organics [Pesticides]

Parameter	Chronic (4-day ave)		Acute (1-hour ave)	
	Standard	Limit	Standard	Limit
Aldrin (µg/L)			1.5	1.5
Chlordane (µg/L)	0.0043	0.0043	1.2	1.2
DDT, DDE (µg/L)	0.001	0.001	0.55	0.55
Diazinon (µg/L)	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17
Dieldrin (µg/L)	0.0056	0.0056	0.24	0.24
Endosulfan, a & b (µg/L)	0.056	0.056	0.11	0.11
Endrin (µg/L)	0.036	0.036	0.086	0.086
Heptachlor & H. epoxide (µg/L)	0.0038	0.0038	0.26	0.26
Lindane (µg/L)	0.08	0.08	1.0	1.0
Methoxychlor (µg/L)			0.03	0.03
Mirex (µg/L)			0.001	0.001
Nonylphenol (µg/L)	6.6	6.6	28.0	28.0
Parathion (µg/L)	0.0130	0.0130	0.066	0.066
PCB's (µg/L)	0.014	0.014		
Pentachlorophenol (µg/L)	15.0	15.0	19.0	19.0
Toxephene (µg/L)	0.0002	0.0002	0.73	0.73

Radiological

Parameter	Maximum Concentration	
	Standard	Limit
Gross Alpha (µCi/L)	15	

Effluent Limitation for Protection of Agriculture (Class 4 Waters)

Parameter	Maximum Concentration		
	Standard	Background	Limit
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/L)	1200		1200
Boron (mg/L)	0.75		0.8
Arsenic, Dissolved (µg/L)	100		100
Cadmium, Dissolved (µg/L)	10		10.0
Chromium, Dissolved (µg/L)	100		100
Copper, Dissolved (µg/L)	200		200
Lead, Dissolved (µg/L)	100		100
Selenium, Dissolved (µg/L)	50		50
Gross Alpha (pCi/L)	15		15.0

Freshwater total ammonia criteria based on Title R317-2-14 Utah Administrative Code
Acute

INPUT				
pH:	Summer	Fall	Winter	Spring
	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50
Beneficial use classification:	3D	3D	3D	3D
OUTPUT				
Acute:	Total ammonia nitrogen criteria (mg N/L):			
	3.203	3.203	3.203	3.203

Freshwater total ammonia criteria based on Title R317-2-14 Utah Administrative Code
Chronic

	INPUT				
Temperature (deg C):	Summer	Fall	Winter	Spring	
	22.4	9.2	3.3	15.6	
pH:	8.20	8.20	8.20	8.20	
Are fish early life stages present?	No	No	No	No	No
	OUTPUT				
Total ammonia nitrogen criteria (mg N/L):	1.078	1.793	1.793	1.675	
Chronic - Fish Early Life Stages Present:	1.078	2.534	2.912	1.675	
Chronic - Fish Early Life Stages Absent:					