

GENERAL PERMIT

AUTHORIZATION TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, MODIFY OR OPERATE
EXTENSIONS TO OR MODIFICATION OF EXISTING SEWAGE COLLECTION SYSTEMS
CHAPTER 3 AND CHAPTER 11,
WYOMING WATER QUALITY RULES AND REGULATIONS

In compliance with the provisions of the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act and Chapters 3 and 11, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations, the owner may construct, install, modify or operate extensions to or modifications of existing sewage collection systems in accordance with the provisions of this permit. The owner applicant of said facility shall submit the information required within Part IV of this permit in order to provide notice of intent to be covered under this permit. Owners are covered by this general permit when the department issues a written authorization of acceptance of coverage to the owner. Upon receipt of notice of coverage, the owner is authorized to construct, install or modify in accordance with this permit. This permit consists of this page, all pages of the Preamble, Table of Contents, and Parts I-V. Documents referenced as attachments, but are not part of this permit; include Application for Permit to Construct, District Offices List, Notification of Coverage, and Certification of Completion.

This permit becomes effective on the date of issuance and shall be reviewed every five (5) years, modified as needed and reissued in accordance with Section 7 (c), Chapter 3, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations.

Authorizations for coverage under this general permit are for the life of the facility unless suspended or revoked in accordance with Section 16, Chapter 3, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations. Coverage under this general permit shall be transferred to a new owner in accordance with Section 12, Chapter 3, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations.


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PREAMBLE

The purpose of this preamble is to provide the owner with some helpful suggestions and practical advice for meeting the requirements of this general permit.

Written notification of acceptance of coverage under this general permit authorizes the owner to construct, install, modify or operate a facility in accordance with the terms and conditions of this general permit. Any modification to the terms and conditions of this general permit must be approved in accordance with Sections 10 (b), Chapter 3, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations. The owner is required to operate the facility in accordance with the statements, representations and procedures presented in the application, supporting documents and this permit.

This general permit should expedite the permitting process and allow responsible owners to construct, install or modify extensions to or modification of existing sewage collection systems as soon as possible. In order to obtain approval of coverage under this general permit the owner is responsible for submitting the application package described in Part IV. The application package includes the Construction Permit Application (attached) and plans and specifications in accordance with Chapter 11, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations. Coverage under the general permit is provided when the department issues a Notice of Coverage (attached). If you need assistance in completing the information required by Part IV, please contact the appropriate Water and Wastewater Program District Office as identified on the attached District Offices List.

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Part I. DEFINITIONS

- A. **“Administrator”** means the Administrator of the Water Quality Division, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality or the administrator’s authorized designee.
- B. **“General Permit”** means a permit issued by the director to construct, install, modify or operate all facilities of a specific type located within the State of Wyoming where coverage for each facility of that type can be permitted thereunder. The administrator or the administrator’s designee has the authority to issue acceptance of coverage under the permit.
- C. **“Individual Permit”** means a permit issued by the director to construct, install, modify, or operate a specific facility at a certain location or site.
- D. **“Owner”** means the permittee or the party, person, corporation or other entity that has control of the facility. The owner is responsible for ensuring compliance with all conditions of the permit.
- E. **“Sewage collection system”** means a sewerage system, including pipelines, conduits, and other construction devices, appurtenances and facilities used for collection or conducting wastes to an ultimate point for treatment or disposal. For general permitting purposes, the definition does not include storm sewers, pumping stations, lift stations or force mains.
- F. **“Source Water Protection Program”** means a program developed and adopted in accordance with the Wyoming Water Quality Management Continuing Planning Process in order to protect designated areas from contaminants that may have adverse effects on the health of persons under the Safe Drinking Water Act sections 1453 and 1428(b).
- G. **“Water quality management plan”** means a plan to address water quality which is developed and adopted in accordance with the Wyoming Water Quality Management Continuing Planning Process
- H. **“Wellhead Protection Program”** means a program developed and adopted in accordance with the Wyoming Water Quality Management Continuing Planning Process in order to protect designated areas from contaminants that may have adverse effects on the health of persons under the Safe Drinking Water Act sections 1453 and 1428(b).

Part II. COVERAGE UNDER THIS PERMIT

A. Facilities Covered Under This Permit

In accordance with Water Quality Rules and Regulations, Section 7 (a), the following are provided coverage under this permit:

1. This permit applies to sewage collection systems and does not include storm sewers, pump stations, lift stations or force mains.
2. Systems which meet the minimum design standards of Chapter 11, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations.
3. The facility receives immediate coverage under this permit when the Administrator or a designee provides written notice to the applicant that the submitted application package required in Part IV has been approved.

