

**New York State Department of Environmental Conservation**

**Division of Environmental Permits**

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December 18, 2017

ROBERT W HAMMOND  
OLYMPIC REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
2634 MAIN ST  
LAKE PLACID, NY 12946

Re: DEC ID # 5-1554-00013/00001  
WHITEFACE MOUNTAIN SKI CENTER

Dear Applicant Agent :

Please be advised that your application for a DEC permit(s) is complete and a technical review has commenced. Notice and the opportunity for public comment is required for this application. Enclosed is a Notice of Complete Application for your project. Please have the Notice published in the newspaper identified below once during the week of 12/18/2017 on any day Monday through Friday.

PRESS REPUBLICAN  
170 MARGARET ST  
PLATTSBURGH, NY 12901

On the Notice of Complete Application, that information presented between the horizontal lines, on the enclosed page(s) should be published. Do not print this letter or the information contained below the second horizontal line. Please request the newspaper publisher to provide you with a Proof of Publication for the Notice. Upon receipt of the Proof of Publication promptly forward it to this office. You must provide the Proof of Publication before a final decision can be rendered on your application. You are responsible for paying the cost of publishing the Notice in the newspaper.

Notification of this complete application is also being provided by this Department in the NYSDEC Environmental Notice Bulletin.

This notification does not signify approval of your application for permit. Additional information may be requested from you at a future date, if deemed necessary to reach a decision on your application. Your project is classified major under the Uniform Procedures Act. Accordingly, a decision is due within 90 days of the date of this notice unless a public hearing is held, which may extend this time frame. If a public hearing is necessary, you will be notified.

If you have any questions please contact me at the above address or phone number above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Erin L. Burns".

ERIN L BURNS  
Division of Environmental Permits

THIS IS NOT A PERMIT

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Notice of Complete Application**

*Date:* 12/18/2017

*Applicant:* NYS OLYMPIC REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
OLYMPIC CENTER  
2634 MAIN ST  
LAKE PLACID, NY 12946

*Facility:* WHITEFACE MOUNTAIN SKI CENTER  
5021 ST RTE 86  
WILMINGTON, NY 12997

*Application ID:* 5-1554-00013/00001

*Permits(s) Applied for:* 1 - Article 17 Titles 7 & 8 Industrial SPDES - Surface Discharge

*Project is located:* in WILMINGTON in ESSEX COUNTY

*Project Description:*

The applicant proposes the following wastewater discharges at an existing facility (SPDES #NY0128783):

- Outfall 001 (Base Lodge and Bear Den Lodge): 25,000 GPD discharge of treated sanitary wastewater to groundwater with septic tanks, grease interceptors, and absorption beds.
- Outfall 002 (Mid-station Lodge): 5,600 GPD of treated sanitary wastewater to groundwater, with septic tank, grease interceptor, and absorption beds.
- Outfall 004 (Maintenance Facility): 25 GPD discharge of treated industrial wastewater from a floor drain through an oil/water separator with carbon filter treatment system to a surface pad.

The proposed changes to the permit at this facility are:

- Outfall 001: Installation of new septic tanks and grease interceptors at both Base Lodge & Bear Den Lodge. Adding a flow monitoring requirement and a schedule of compliance.
- Outfall 002: Increase in discharge from 5,350 GPD to 5,600 GPD with a wastewater system upgrade;
- Outfall 004: Changing the discharge from a groundwater to surfacewater discharge; adding a schedule of compliance to construct the floor drain treatment system.

*Availability of Application Documents:*

Filed application documents, and Department draft permits where applicable, are available for inspection during normal business hours at the address of the contact person. To ensure timely service at the time of inspection, it is recommended that an appointment be made with the contact person.

*State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Determination*

Project is an Unlisted Action and will not have a significant impact on the environment. A Negative Declaration is on file. A coordinated review was not performed.

*SEQR Lead Agency* None Designated

*State Historic Preservation Act (SHPA) Determination*

Cultural resource lists and maps have been checked. The proposed activity is not in an area of identified archaeological sensitivity and no known registered, eligible or inventoried archaeological sites or historic structures were identified or documented for the project location. No further review in accordance with SHPA is required.

*DEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29)*

It has been determined that the proposed action is not subject to CP-29.

*Availability For Public Comment*

Comments on this project must be submitted in writing to the Contact Person no later than or days after the publication date of this notice, whichever is later.

*Contact Person*

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