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January 7, 2026

Ms. Charlotte McFerran, Environmental Manager  
Compliance Branch, Office of Water Quality  
Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
100 N. Senate Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Re: Town of Cloverdale  
Agreed Order – 2025 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Progress Report - NPDES #0022616

Dear Ms. McFerran:

The Town has continued to implement the approved compliance plan to address the problems in the wastewater system. The accomplishments during the reporting period continue to be related to the progress of the Town's project to implement wastewater collection and treatment system capital improvements. The Town closed on a \$3.5 million bond issuance with the Indiana State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) in November 2023, and construction of the project was initiated in January 2024. The scope of the Town's project generally included the following: gravity sewer rehabilitation, gravity sewer replacement, manhole repair/rehabilitation, existing lift station replacement, additional existing lift station electrical service backup, construction of a new replacement force main and various upgrades to the wastewater treatment facility including a new influent screen, a new blower, covered structure over the clarifiers, main lift station upgrades and miscellaneous site/piping/electrical improvements. Additionally, Lieber State Recreation Area (SRA) regionalized with the Town via construction of a new lift station/force main and SRF funds were awarded to the Town for this work.

Utilizing the Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) method of project delivery, HWC Engineering as the Town's engineering representative continues to work directly with the selected contractor, Reynolds Construction, during the construction phase.

The Certificate of Substantial Completion for all base bid work was issued in November 2024. Based on work completed to date, and the nature of the BOT contracting process, there were available contingency funds that the Town could spend to complete additional work on its system, beyond the base bid work included in the preliminary engineering report (PER) for the project. A PER Addendum was submitted to the Indiana Finance Authority (IFA) in early December 2024 for approval to expand the project's scope for use of the contingency funds,



and was approved by IFA in March 2025. The proposed scope of additional work included improvements both at the WWTP and in the collection system. A change order was issued in March 2025 to add "Phase 2" work proposed in the approved PER Addendum to the construction contract, and was approved by IFA in May 2025.

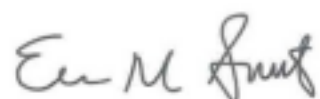
The remaining "Phase 2" work, Lift Station #3 improvements, were completed last quarter using remaining contingency funds on the project. With the completion of the "Phase 2" work (including savings realized from "Phase 2" Estimates), there was an excess of \$1 million in funding available for use by the Town for additional wastewater work. Based on the completion of the "Phase 2" work, and investigative work completed, additional contingency funds were proposed to be utilized for "Phase 3" work. A PER Addendum was submitted to the Indiana Finance Authority (IFA) in July 2025 for approval to expand the project's scope for use of the contingency funds, and was approved by IFA on September 2, 2025. A change order was issued in July 2025 to add "Phase 3" work proposed in the approved PER Addendum to the construction contract, and was approved by IFA on September 26, 2025.

This quarter, the additional "Phase 3" work using contingency funds was completed by the Contractor, with substantial completion on November 18, 2025. The scope of additional work included improvements both at the WWTF and in the collection system, including additional inflow/infiltration reduction measures identified through smoke testing. At the WWTF, the following was completed: site drainage and grading improvements at the lab/control building and Primary Lift Station valve vault improvements. Chemical feed tank improvements and installation of UV treatment system covers were removed from the "Phase 3" scope at the direction of the Town. Within the collection system, the following was completed: purchase of spare breakers for lift station panels, additional sanitary sewer investigation north of Downtown, and additional sanitary sewer, lateral connection, and manhole rehabilitation.

Looking to next quarter, the "Phase 3" final completion date is January 19, 2026. After receiving and evaluating quotes for a vacuum truck, the Town sent a letter to IFA on December 19, 2025 seeking approval to use remaining contingency funds to purchase a vacuum truck (attached). Upon approval, the Town plans to order the vacuum truck which will be used for collection system maintenance for both the Town and Lieber SRA systems.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me either via email at [esmith@hwcengineering.com](mailto:esmith@hwcengineering.com) or via phone at 812-514-5010. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Eric Smith, PE  
Vice President & Director of Water Resources Division



Attachments (1):

Vacuum Truck Request Letter – 2 pgs.

cc: Cloverdale Town Council  
Jason Hartman - Town Manager  
Richard Shagley - Town Attorney  
Steve Shannon, PE, PMP – HWC Engineering  
Laura Gustafson, EI - HWC Engineering





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December 19, 2025

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Re: Town of Cloverdale Wastewater System Improvements  
SRF Project No. DW 22 50 67 01  
Vacuum Truck Purchase with Remaining SRF Funds

Dear Ms. Meiners:

Given the amount of funds remaining in the referenced project budget, and the need to improve the maintenance and operations of the wastewater system (now including the Lieber State Recreation Area), the Town of Cloverdale has identified the need to purchase a vacuum truck. In order to secure approval to utilize remaining SRF funds for the purchase, attached for reference are three equipment proposals solicited and obtained by the Town and a summary prepared by our consulting engineer, HWC Engineering (HWC). The prices provided by each vendor respectively are as follows:

Brown Equipment Company	\$549,998.00
Best Equipment Company	\$545,657.95
MTech	\$523,206.00

Based on our evaluation of all proposals, the Town wishes to notify IFA of the selected equipment and confirm approval to proceed with the purchase. The equipment brand selected is Sewer Equipment Company of America proposed by the Brown Equipment Company. Since this product was not the lowest in cost, the following documents the justification for the Town's selection for your consideration:

1. Shorter delivery time (in stock versus 90-150 days for other vendors)
2. Close proximity for service and good previous experience with service from Brown Equipment

3. Limited electronics to be updated and maintained
4. Better boom and longer hose
5. AIS certification letter from the manufacturer

If any further information is needed, or if you have any questions, please contact me or our consulting engineer, Steve Shannon, PE, PM at 812-251-6556 or [sshannon@hwcengineering.com](mailto:sshannon@hwcengineering.com). We appreciate your attention to this request as we await its approval by your department.

Sincerely,



Brandon Tancak

Town of Cloverdale, Council President

Cc: Jason Hartman, Town Manager - Cloverdale  
Eric Smith, PE - HWC Engineering  
Steve Shannon, PE - HWC Engineering  
Scott Huber - Reynolds Construction