

MASSACHUSETTS PERMIT MODIFICATION TO DISCHARGE POLLUTANTS TO SURFACE WATERS

In compliance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, as amended (M.G.L. Chap. 21, §§ 26 - 53) and the implementing regulations at 314 CMR 3.00 and 4.00,

Westborough Treatment Plant Board
34 West Main Street
Westborough, MA 01581

is authorized to discharge from the facility located at

Westborough Wastewater Treatment Plant
238 Turnpike Road
Westborough, MA 01581

to receiving water named

Assabet River
Assabet River Watershed

in accordance with the following effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and additional conditions:

1. This permit shall become effective on March 30.¹
2. This permit shall expire on April 30, 2027.
3. This permit revises and supersedes the relevant portions of the permit that was issued on February 8, 2022.
4. **This permit modification incorporates the removal of the aluminum provisions in Parts I.A.1 and I.G.1 of the EPA NPDES permit**, as set forth in the 2023 Draft NPDES Permit Modification for permit number MA0100412, issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 1 to Crane and Company, Inc. on January 19, 2023 available on EPA's website at:
<https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/massachusetts-draft-individual-npdes-permits>.

Signed this 30th day of March, 2023



Lealdon Langley, Director
Division of Watershed Management
Department of Environmental Protection

¹ If no comments objecting to the issuance or terms of the permit modification were received by the Department during the public comment period, then this permit modification shall be effective upon issuance. If comments objecting to the issuance or the terms of the permit modification are received by the Department during the public comment period, then this permit modification shall become effective 30 days after issuance.

**RESPONSE TO COMMENTS
MA Permit No. MA0100412
WESTBOROUGH WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
WESTBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS**

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP or the “Department”) is issuing a Surface Water Discharge (SWD) Permit Modification to the Westborough Treatment Board (the Permittee) for the facility (the Facility) located in Westborough, Massachusetts. The permit is being issued under the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, as amended (M.G.L. Chap. 21, §§ 26 - 53) and the implementing regulations at 314 CMR 3.00 and 4.00.

In accordance with the provisions of 314 CMR 2.09, MassDEP is obligated to prepare a response to comments received on the draft SWD Permit Modification No. MA0100412 (the “Draft Permit Modification”). The Response to Comments explains and supports MassDEP’s determinations that form the basis of the final permit modification (the “Final Permit Modification”). From January 19, 2023 through February 21, 2023, MassDEP solicited public comments on the Draft Permit Modification for the modification of a permit to discharge municipal wastewater from Outfall Serial Number 001 to the Assabet River. From February 10, 2023 to March 13, 2023 MassDEP solicited public comments on the Draft WQC.

During the public comment period for the draft NPDES permit Modification (January 19, 2023 through February 21, 2023), EPA and MassDEP received a comment from:

- Michael Stanton, Chairman, Westborough Treatment Plant Board, dated January 31, 2023

MassDEP has reviewed EPA’s Response to Comments, issued concurrent with the final NPDES permit modification on March 23, 2023, and concurs with their responses and the associated adjustments made to the final NPDES permit. MassDEP hereby incorporates by reference EPA’s Response to Comments into this Response.

MassDEP’s knowledge of the facility has benefited from the various comments and additional information submitted during the public comment period but the information and arguments presented did not raise any substantial new questions concerning the Permit that warranted MassDEP exercising the discretion to reopen the public comment period. MassDEP does, however, make certain clarifications in response to comments. Any improvements and changes are explained in this document and reflected in the Final Permit. Below, MassDEP provides a summary of the changes made in the Final Permit. The analyses underlying these changes are contained in the responses to individual comments that follow.

A copy of the Final Permit Modification and this Response to Comments document will be posted on the MassDEP website:

A copy of the Final Permit modification may be also obtained by writing or calling Jennifer Wood, MassDEP, Surface Water Discharge Permitting Program, 1 Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108; telephone: 617-835-9886; email: jennifer.wood@mass.gov. MassDEP strongly encourages that interested parties email Jennifer Wood if they wish to obtain a copy of the Final Permit.

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A. Responses to Comments

Comments are reproduced below as received; they have not been edited, corrected or otherwise modified.

**Comments from Michael Stanton, Chairman, Westborough Treatment Plant Board,
dated January 31, 2023**

Comment 1

Again, we would like to thank you for removing the aluminum limit and applicable compliance schedule. We do however again request that the permittee name be corrected to: "Westborough Treatment Plant Board" rather than "Westborough Wastewater Treatment Plant Board". Your attention to this detail is greatly appreciated.

Response 1

The permittee name has been updated from Westborough Wastewater Treatment Plant Board to Westborough Treatment Plant Board in the Final Permit Modification.



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