

**State of Michigan
Department of Environmental Quality**

Water Resources Division
Grand Rapids District Office
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Site Name: 61-Riley Thompson Rd& Beattie Rd-Twin Lake
Submission Number: 2P6-13W2-FNMX
Date: March 14, 2017

PUBLIC NOTICE

Brenda Moore, 141 E Apple Avenue, Muskegon, MI 49442, has applied to this office for a permit under authority of Part 301, Inland Lakes and Streams, Part 303, Wetlands Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA). The applicant proposes approximately 4.75 miles of open drain restoration on the Ribe Drain and associated wetlands, including open drain cleanout to a depth below the historical elevation, restoration techniques such as two-stage channel, creation of stream meanders, bank stabilization, rock rip rap, cross vanes, j-hooks, riffle zones, rock clusters, log revetments, and cobblestone stilling basins; Remove and/or improve several existing culverts and headwalls/wing walls; Install several new culverts to meet bankfull width; Remove the concrete dam structure upstream of Riley Thompson Road in order to return this section of drain to a natural stream; Remove woody debris; Excavate the channels between West Lake, Middle Lake and Twin Lake approximately 18 inches in depth; Install an impermeable liner, to inhibit vegetative growth, and cover the liner with cobblestone; Excavated material will be disposed of on-site and off-site in upland areas. The project is located in T11N, R16W, Section 13, Dalton and Cedar Creek Townships, Muskegon County, Michigan, in accordance with plans attached to this notice.

THIS NOTICE IS NOT A PERMIT

The proposed project may also be regulated by one or more additional parts of the NREPA that are administered by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Resources Division (WRD). The requirements of all applicable parts are considered in determining if a permit can be issued. When a permit application is received requesting authorization to work in or over the inland waters of the State of Michigan, pursuant to, Part 301, Part 303, of the NREPA, the NREPA provides that the DEQ submit copies for review to the department of public health; the city, village, or township and county where the project is to be located; the local soil conservation district; and any local watershed council organized under Part 311, Local River Management, of the NREPA. Additional notification is provided to certain persons as required by statute or determined by the DEQ.

Those persons wanting to make comments on the proposed project shall furnish this office with their written comments no later than 20 days from the date of this notice. Written comments will be made part of the record and should reference the above application number. Objections must be factual, specific, and fully describe the reasons upon which any objection is founded. Unless a written request is filed with the DEQ within the 20-day public comment period, the DEQ may make a decision on the application without a public hearing. The determination as to whether a permit will be issued or a public hearing held will be based on an evaluation of all relevant factors, including the public comments received and the effect of the proposed work on

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the public trust or interest, including navigation, fish, wildlife, and pollution. The specific permit decision criteria can be found in the parts of the NREPA applicable to this application and listed above. Copies of these parts of the NREPA are available on the public notice Web site. Public comments received will also be considered.

The entire copy of the public notice package may be viewed at the WRD's district office listed on the top of this public notice or online at:

<https://miwaters.deq.state.mi.us/miwaters/#/external/publicnotice/search>. To access the public notice page online, search for the public notice by location or applicant name, and view by clicking on the "Documents" tab. Comments may be sent electronically by clicking on the "Add Comment" tab. A hard copy of the public notice may be requested by calling the above number.

cc:

Brenda Moore, Applicant
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Dalton Township Clerk
Cedar Creek Township Clerk
Muskegon County Health Department
Muskegon County Conservation District
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