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Re: Bypass of compliance flow meter for outfall 002. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Waste
Discharge Permit # WA0052078

Mr. Durkee:

At 2:15pm on 5/10, our wastewater EQ tank reached a high-level requiring bypass to prevent overflowing. The Port of Sunnyside was contacted prior to making the necessary valving changes. The flow was then valved back to the EQ tank at approximately 4:15pm. In total, approximately 48,146 gallons of wastewater were bypassed.

At 12:30pm on 5/11, our wastewater EQ tank again reached a high-level requiring bypass to prevent overflowing. The Port of Sunnyside was contacted prior to making the necessary valving changes. In total, approximately 186,300 gallons of wastewater were bypassed until flow was valved back to the EQ tank at 4:30pm.

At 1:30pm on 5/14, our wastewater EQ tank again reached a high-level requiring bypass to prevent overflowing. The Port of Sunnyside was contacted prior to making the necessary valving changes. In total, approximately 116,500 gallons of wastewater were bypassed until flow was valved back to the EQ tank at 4:00pm.

Lastly, on 5/17 the EQ tank was bypassed due to a repair made to the lift station pump that required the power to be disconnected to the pumps and because of a power outage that occurred. The Port of Sunnyside was contacted prior to making the necessary valving changes. In total, approximately 251,257 gallons of wastewater were bypassed.

The outlet line of the EQ tank was found to be partially blocked resulting in lower discharge flows making it difficult to manage safe levels in the tank. Yesterday a company jetted the line resolving the issue.

If you have any questions, concerns, or want to follow up on this issue, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email anthony.ashby@darigold.com or phone 509-712-5824.

Best Regards,

Anthony Ashby
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