



Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V

Section A – Licence Details

Licence number:	L8239/2008/2	Licence file number:	DEC7565
Licence holder:	Water Corporation		
Trading as:	York Wastewater Treatment Plant		
ABN:	28 003 434 917		
Registered address:	629 Newcastle Street, LEEDERVILLE, WA 6007		
Reporting period:	01 / 07 / 2021 to 30 / 06 / 2022		

Section B – Statement of Compliance with Licence Conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?
(please tick the appropriate box)

- Yes – please complete:
- section C;
 - section D if required; and
 - sign the declaration in Section F.
- No – please complete:
- section C;
 - section D if required;
 - section E; and
 - sign the declaration at Section F.

Section C – Statement of Actual Production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Production Quantity
54	Inflow 145 m ³ /day

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
Not Applicable	

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	16 (ii)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	10/11/2021
Details of non-compliance:			
<p>Licence condition 16 (ii) states that the Licensee shall inform the Chief Executive Officer (DWER), no less than 14 days prior, of the removal of sludge from a treatment pond. Desludging of treatment pond no 4 commenced on 22 November 2021. Notification was sent to DWER on 10 November 2021, 12 days prior to the commencement of works creating an administrative non-compliance.</p> <p>A sudden change in contractor availability and a scheduling rearrangement the desludging of pond 4 at the York WWTP was the cause of the administrative non-compliance. If Water corporation had not accepted the re-scheduled date then de-sludging was not going to be able to occur in pond 4 until roughly April 2022 which may have had an impact on water quality output over the 2021/2022 summer period and caused significant and costly delays to the capital project and it's commissioning phase.</p>			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
<p>NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.</p> <p>The non-compliance is administrative in nature and no direct negative impact to environmental receptors was determined.</p>			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
A sudden change in contractor availability and a scheduling rearrangement the desludging of pond 4 at the York WWTP was the cause of the administrative non-compliance.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
N/A			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DER verbally		Date: 10/ 11 /2021	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DER in writing		Date: / /	

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Category 54- Capacity	Date(s) of non-compliance:	01/07/2021 - 30/06/2022
Details of non-compliance:			
The York Wastewater Treatment Plant is licenced for an inflow capacity of 130 m ³ /day. Due to an increase in inflow, the WWTP averaged 145 m ³ /day inflow throughout the 2021/2022 reporting period.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
There are no discernible environmental impacts from the increase in average daily inflow capacity.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Increased inflow is the cause of the non-compliance. The increase in inflow can be partially attributed to higher than average rainfall in the first half of the reporting period.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The capital project is close to completion, the upgrade to the York WWTP will increase the capacity to 200 kL/day and includes the relocate and expansion of the woodlot irrigation scheme. The project is due for commissioning in the second quarter of the 2022-23 reporting period.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DER? No			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DER verbally		Date: / /	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DER in writing		Date:	

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	Condition 16 (iii) (b)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	03/12/2021
Details of non-compliance:			
<p>The newly constructed sludge drying bed area at the York WWTP has two valved drainage pipes exiting a HDPE lined (when in use) drainage sump. One pipe is used to drain geobag leachate to treatment pond 1, cell 2 and the other pipe is used for diverting stormwater that falls on the sludge drying bed area to the onsite stormwater drainage system when the constructed sludge drying area is not HDPE lined and not in use.</p> <p>The stormwater drainage valve was unintentionally left open during minor desludging activity that was undertaken in pond 4, resulting in an amount of treated wastewater slowly discharging from the sludge drying bed area to the site's stormwater drainage. All discharge was maintained on site within the bounds of the licenced premises, there was no pooling of wastewater, summer conditions supported evaporation and UV disinfection to take place.</p> <p>Desludging activity commenced on 25/11/21 and concluded on 3/12/21. The Project Manager inspected the site on 30/11/21 which is 6 days after desludging had commenced, at that time no treated wastewater had yet discharged from the pipe to site drainage. As there was no visible discharge noted at the inspection, the valve position was not checked, and the incorrect positioning of the value was not realised. The volume discharged was minimal, estimated at 2 kL. The volume of treated wastewater discharged was greatly reduced due to volume captured in the drainage sump which was lined with HDPE, preventing a large percentage of infiltration and egress from the sludge drying bed area.</p>			
<p>What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.</p>			
There were no discernible environmental impacts that resulted from this incident.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The stormwater drainage valve was unintentionally left open during minor desludging activity that was undertaken in pond 4, resulting in an amount of treated wastewater slowly discharging from the sludge drying bed area to on-site stormwater drainage.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
The site's new operating manual has been updated to ensure that this forms part of the checks that are undertaken prior to any future desludging activity taking place.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DER? No			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DER verbally		Date: / /	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DER in writing		Date:	

Section F – Declaration

I/We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular¹. I/We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Environment Regulation’s (DER) website.

Signature ² :		Signature:		
Name: (printed)		Name: (printed)		
Position:		Position:		
Date:		25/8/2022	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):				

¹ It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

² AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.