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**FACT SHEET AND STATEMENT OF BASIS
BERYL JUNCTION ECODRUM
RENEWAL PERMIT: BIOSOLIDS
UPDES BIOSOLIDS PERMIT NUMBER: UTL-026077
MINOR INDUSTRIAL**

FACILITY CONTACTS

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DESCRIPTION OF FACILITY

The Beryl Junction EcoDrum Treatment Facility (Beryl Junction) is located near 1595 West Highway 56, Beryl Utah (Latitude 37°42'54.55"N and Longitude 113°42'3.58"W). The facility is located on a portion of a farm where the composted biosolids will be applied. The facility will utilize a commercial in-vessel composting system to compost collected waste from portable composting toilets that are used.

All human waste is accumulated with sawdust at the location of use in 20-gallon drums as part of a portable toilet system. The containers are then sealed and transported to the treatment facility in Beryl Junction, Utah. The material to be composted will be transferred from the 20-gallon drum into an EcoDrum unit (an in-vessel commercial composting system). The EcoDrum is an 8ft diameter 30ft long poly drum that rotates constantly to ensure aeration of the compost. An internal temperature gauge allows monitoring of the system and ensures that appropriate temperatures are achieved and maintained.

DISCHARGE

This facility is not authorized to discharge any wastewater to surface or groundwater and no surface or groundwater discharge provisions are included in this permit. Beryl Junction is a non-discharging biosolids facility located at Latitude 37°42'54.55"N and Longitude 113°42'3.58"W. There is no discharge authorized from this facility, therefore there are no effluent limitations included in the permit.

BIOSOLIDS

For clarification purposes, sewage sludge is considered solids, until treatment or testing shows that the solids are safe, and meet beneficial use standards. After the solids are tested or treated, the solids are then known as

biosolids. Class A biosolids, may be used for high public contact sites, such as home lawns and gardens, parks, or playing fields, etc. Class B biosolids may be used for low public contact sites, such as farms, rangeland, or reclamation sites, etc.

DESCRIPTION OF TREATMENT AND BENEFICIAL USE

The accumulated human waste is transferred from the 20-gallon drum into the EcoDrum unit along with wood chips and sawdust. The EcoDrum rotates once a day and a blower introduce fresh air as needed. As the drum rotates the solids are moved down the drum towards the end. By the time it exits the drum, the biosolids should be treated to a point where it can be land applied.

Beryl Junction estimated that they will collect and produce up to 500 DMT of compost with the system during a year. The system continually rotates and monitors the internal temperature and can be programmed to ventilate the drum by fan as needed.

If biosolids are land applied to home lawns and gardens, the biosolids need to be treated by a specific process to further reduce pathogens (PFRP), and meet a microbiological limit of less than less than 3 most probable number (MPN) of Salmonella per 4 grams of total solids (or less than 1,000 most probable number (MPN/g) of fecal coliform per gram of total solids) to be considered Class A biosolids. The Beryl Junction will achieve PFRP through a method of within vessel composting found under (40 CFR 503.32(a)(7)(ii)).

The last inspection conducted at the facility was April 11, 2022. The inspection showed that Beryl Junction was in compliance with all aspects of the biosolids management program and permit.

SELF-MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

Under 40 CFR 503.16(a)(1), the self-monitoring requirements are based upon the amount of biosolids disposed per year and shall be monitored according to the chart below.

Minimum Frequency of Monitoring (40 CFR Part 503.16, 503.26. and 503.46)		
Amount of Biosolids Disposed Per Year		Monitoring Frequency
Dry US Tons	Dry Metric Tons	Per Year or Batch
> 0 to < 320	> 0 to < 290	Once Per Year or Batch
> 320 to < 1650	> 290 to < 1,500	Once a Quarter or Four Times
> 1,650 to < 16,500	> 1,500 to < 15,000	Bi-Monthly or Six Times
> 16,500	> 15,000	Monthly or Twelve Times

In 2021, Beryl junction produced approximately 1.5 DMT of biosolids compost, therefore they need to sample at least one (1) time a year or batch.

Landfill Monitoring

Under 40 CFR 258, the landfill monitoring requirements include a paint filter test. If the biosolids do not pass a paint filter test, the biosolids cannot be disposed in the sanitary landfill (40 CFR 258.28(c)(1)).

BIOSOLIDS LIMITATIONS

Heavy Metals

Class A Biosolids for Home Lawn and Garden Use

The intent of the heavy metals regulations of Table 3, *40 CFR 503.13* is to ensure the heavy metals do not build up in the soil in home lawn and gardens to the point where the heavy metals become phytotoxic to plants. The permittee will be required to produce an information sheet (see *Part III. C.* of the permit) to be made available to all people who are receiving and land applying Class A biosolids to their lawns and gardens. If the instructions of the information sheet are followed to any reasonable degree, the Class A biosolids will be able to be land applied year after year, to the same lawns and garden plots without any deleterious effects to the environment. The information sheet must be provided to the public, because the permittee is not required, nor able to track the quantity of Class A biosolids that are land applied to home lawns and gardens.

Class A Requirements With Regards to Heavy Metals

If the biosolids are to be applied to a lawn or home garden, the biosolids shall not exceed the maximum heavy metals in Table 3 below. If the biosolids do not meet these requirements, the biosolids cannot be sold or given away for applications to home lawns and gardens.

Class B Requirements for Agriculture and Reclamation Sites

The intent of the heavy metals regulations of Tables 1, 2 and 3, of *40 CFR 503.13* is to ensure that heavy metals do not build up in the soil at farms, forest land, and land reclamation sites to the point where the heavy metals become phytotoxic to plants. The permittee will be required to produce an information sheet (see *Part III. C.* of the permit) to be handed out to all people who are receiving and land applying Class B biosolids to farms, ranches, and land reclamation sites (if biosolids are only applied to land owned by the permittee, the information sheet requirements are waived). If the biosolids are land applied according to the regulations of *40 CFR 503.13*, to any reasonable degree, the Class B biosolids will be able to be land applied year after year, to the same farms, ranches, and land reclamation sites without any deleterious effects to the environment.

Class B Requirements With Regards to Heavy Metals

If the biosolids are to be land applied to agricultural land, forest land, a public contact site or a reclamation site it must meet at all times:

The maximum heavy metals listed in *40 CFR Part 503.13(b) Table 1* and the heavy metals loading rates in *40 CFR Part 503.13(b) Table 2*; or

The maximum heavy metals in *40 CFR Part 503.13(b) Table 1* and the monthly heavy metals concentrations in *40 CFR Part 503.13(b) Table 3*.

Tables 1, 2, and 3 of Heavy Metal Limitations

Pollutant Limits, (40 CFR Part 503.13(b)) Dry Mass Basis				
Heavy Metals	Table 1	Table 2	Table 3	Table 4
	Ceiling Conc. Limits ¹ , (mg/kg)	CPLR ² , (mg/ha)	Pollutant Conc. Limits ³ (mg/kg)	APLR ⁴ , (mg/ha-yr)
Total Arsenic	75	41	41	2.0
Total Cadmium	85	39	39	1.9
Total Copper	4300	1500	1500	75
Total Lead	840	300	300	15
Total Mercury	57	17	17	0.85
Total Molybdenum	75	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Nickel	420	420	420	21

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Heavy Metals	Table 1	Table 2	Table 3	Table 4
	Ceiling Conc. Limits ¹ , (mg/kg)	CPLR ² , (mg/ha)	Pollutant Conc. Limits ³ (mg/kg)	APLR ⁴ , (mg/ha-yr)
Total Selenium	100	100	100	5.0
Total Zinc	7500	2800	2800	140
1, If the concentration of any 1 (one) of these parameters exceeds the Table 1 limit, the biosolids cannot be land applied or beneficially used in any way.				
2, CPLR - Cumulative Pollutant Loading Rate - The maximum loading for any 1 (one) of the parameters listed that may be applied to land when biosolids are land applied or beneficially used on agricultural, forestry, or a reclamation site.				
3, If the concentration of any 1 (one) of these parameters exceeds the Table 3 limit, the biosolids cannot be land applied or beneficially used in on a lawn, home garden, or other high potential public contact site. If any 1 (one) of these parameters exceeds the Table 3 limit, the biosolids may be land applied or beneficially reused on an agricultural, forestry, reclamation site, or other high potential public contact site, as long as it meets the requirements of Table 1, Table 2, and Table 4.				
4, APLR - Annual Pollutant Loading Rate - The maximum annual loading for any 1 (one) of the parameters listed that may be applied to land when biosolids are land applied or beneficially reused on agricultural, forestry, or a reclamation site, when they do not meet Table 3, but do meet Table 1.				

Any violation of these limitations shall be reported in accordance with the requirements of Part III.F.1. of the permit .If the biosolids do not meet these requirements they cannot be land applied.

Pathogens

The Pathogen Control class listed in the table below must be met;

Pathogen Control Class	
503.32 (a)(1) - (5), (7), (8), Class A	503.32 (b)(1) - (5), Class B
B Salmonella species –less than three (3) MPN ¹ per four (4) grams total solids (DWB) ² or Fecal Coliforms – less than 1,000 MPN per gram total solids (DWB).	Fecal Coliforms – less than 2,000,000 MPN or CFU ³ per gram total solids (DWB).
503.32 (a)(6) Class A—Alternative 4	
B Salmonella species –less than three (3) MPN per four (4) grams total solids (DWB) or less than 1,000 MPN Fecal Coliforms per gram total solids (DWB), And - Enteric viruses –less than one (1) plaque forming unit per four (4) grams total solids (DWB) And - Viable helminth ova –less than one (1) per four (4) grams total solids (DWB)	
1 - MPN – Most Probable Number	
2 - DWB – Dry Weight Basis	
3 - CFU – Colony Forming Units	

Class A Requirements for Home Lawn and Garden Use

If biosolids are land applied to home lawns and gardens, the biosolids need to be treated by a specific process to further reduce pathogens (PFRP), and meet a microbiological limit of less than less than 3 most probable number (MPN) of *Salmonella* per 4 grams of total solids (or less than 1,000 most probable number (MPN/g) of fecal coliform per gram of total solids) to be considered Class A biosolids. The Beryl Junction has chosen to achieve PFRP through a method of Composting.

1. Within-Vessel Method- Using within-vessel composting method or the static aerated pile composting method, the temperature of the sewage sludge is maintained at 55° C (113° F). or higher for three days.

The composting method is found under (40 CFR 503.32(a)(8)(ii)).

The practice of sale or giveaway to the public is an acceptable use of biosolids of this quality as long as the biosolids continue to meet Class A standards with respect to pathogens. If the biosolids do not meet Class A pathogen standards the biosolids cannot be sold or given away to the public, and the permittee will need find another method of beneficial use or disposal.

Pathogens Class B

If biosolids are to be land applied for agriculture or land reclamation the solids need to be treated by a specific process to significantly reduce pathogens (PSRP). The Beryl Junction has chosen to achieve PSRP through composting.

1. Under 40 CFR 503.32 (b)(3) the PSRP may be accomplished through composting. To achieve this, the temperature must be above 40° C (104° F) or higher, and remain at 40° C or higher for a minimum of five days. For four hours, during the five days, the temperature needs to exceed 55° C (113° F).

Vector Attraction Reduction (VAR)

If the biosolids are land applied Beryl Junction will be required to meet VAR through the use of a method of listed under 40 CFR 503.33. The Beryl Junction intends to meet the vector attraction reduction requirements through one of the methods listed below.

1. Under 40 CFR 503.33(b)(5) the solids need treated through composting with a temperature of 40° C (104° F) or higher for at least 14 days with an average temperature of over 45° C (113° F).

If the biosolids do not meet a method of VAR, the biosolids cannot be land applied.

If the permittee intends to use another one of the listed alternatives in 40 CFR 503.33, the Director and the EPA must be informed at least thirty (30) days prior to its use. This change may be made without additional public notice

Landfill Monitoring

Under 40 CFR 258, the landfill monitoring requirements include a paint filter test to determine if the biosolids exhibit free liquid. If the biosolids do not pass a paint filter test, the biosolids cannot be disposed in the sanitary landfill (40 CFR 258.28(c)(1)).

Record Keeping

The record keeping requirements from *40 CFR 503.17* are included under *Part III.G.* of the permit. The amount of time the records must be maintained are dependent on the quality of the biosolids in regards to the metals concentrations. If the biosolids continue to meet the metals limits of *Table 3 of 40 CFR 503.13*, and are sold or given away the records must be retained for a minimum of five years. If the biosolids are disposed in a landfill the records must be retained for a minimum of five years.

Reporting

Beryl Junction must report annually as required in *40 CFR 503.18*. This report is to include the results of all monitoring performed in accordance with *Part III.B* of the permit, information on management practices, biosolids treatment, and certifications. This report is due no later than February 19 of each year. Each report is for the previous calendar year.

MONITORING DATA

METALS MONITORING DATA

Beryl Junction is required to monitor once per year/batch. For the last few years they have only produced about 1 DMT of compost a year, and have stored it onsite. As a result, they have not monitored any of the compost.

STORM WATER

STORMWATER REQUIREMENTS

The storm water requirements in the permit are based on the UPDES Multi-Sector General Permit for Storm Water Discharges for Industrial Activity, General Permit No. UTR000000 (MSGP).

Separate storm water permits may be required based on the types of activities occurring on site. Information on storm water permit requirements can be found at <http://stormwater.utah.gov>

PRETREATMENT REQUIREMENTS

Any wastewater the facility may discharge to the sanitary sewer, either as direct discharge or as a hauled waste, is subject to federal, state and local pretreatment regulations. Pursuant to Section 307 of the Clean Water Act, the permittee shall comply with all applicable Federal General Pretreatment Regulations promulgated, found in 40 CFR section 403, the State Pretreatment Requirements found in UAC R317-8-8, and any specific local discharge limitations developed by the Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) accepting the waste.

In addition, in accordance with 40 CFR 403.12(p)(1), the permittee must notify the POTW, the EPA Regional Waste Management Director, and the State hazardous waste authorities in writing if they discharge any substance into a POTW that if otherwise disposed of would be considered a hazardous waste under 40 CFR 261. This notification must include the name of the hazardous waste, the EPA hazardous waste number, and the type of discharge (continuous or batch).

BIOMONITORING REQUIREMENTS

As part of the nationwide effort to control toxics, biomonitoring requirements are being included in all major permits and in minor permits for facilities where effluent toxicity is an existing or potential concern.

Authorization for requiring effluent biomonitoring is provided for in UAC R317-8-4.2 and R317-8-5.3. The Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) Control Guidance Document, February 15, 1991, outlines guidance to be used by Utah Division of Water Quality staff and by permittee's for implementation of WET control through the UPDES discharge permit program.

Beryl Junction is a minor non-discharging facility. As a result, biomonitoring of the effluent will not be required. However, the permit will contain a WET reopener provision.

PERMIT DURATION

It is recommended that this permit be effective for a duration of five (5) years.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Comments will be received at: 195 North 1950 West
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The Public Noticed of the draft permit and FSSOB were published for public comment on the Division of Water Quality Public Notice Webpage

During the public comment period provided under R317-8-6.5, any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and may request a public hearing, if no hearing has already been scheduled. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. All comments will be considered in making the final decision and shall be answered as provided in R317-8-6.12.

ADDENDUM TO FSSOB

During finalization of the Permit certain dates, spelling edits and minor language corrections were completed. Due to the nature of these changes they were not considered Major and the permit is not required to be re Public Noticed.

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