

**February 16&17, 2012**  
**NOTICE OF SURFACE WATER DISCHARGE**  
**APPLICATION AND RECOMMENDATION**

The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has received an application for the issuance of a Surface Water Discharge (SWD) permit from the following applicant:

**APPLICANT NAME: Higman Sand & Gravel**

**PERMIT NUMBER: SD0027928**

**FACILITY LOCATION: Spink Pit is Located in the Southwest ¼ of Section 5, Township 93 North, Range 50 West, in Union County, South Dakota**

**PROPOSED NEW PITS: Hudson Pit (Outfall 002) is located in the Northeast ¼ of Section 2, Township 95 North, Range 48 West, in Union County, South Dakota.**

**West Hawarden Pit (Outfall 003) is located in the Southeast ¼ of Section 21, Township 95 North, Range 48 West, in Union County, South Dakota.**

**Vermillion Pit (Outfall 004) is located in the Western ½ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 29, Township 93 North, Range 51 West, in Clay County, South Dakota.**

**Volin Pit (Outfall 005) is located in Section 12, Township 94 North, Range 54 West, in Yankton County, South Dakota.**

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The renewal of the Surface Water Discharge permit will allow the discharge of water from the Higman Sand & Gravel's Spink Pit. Any discharge from this facility will enter BRULE CREEK. BRULE CREEK has been assigned the following beneficial uses:

- (6) Warmwater marginal fish life propagation waters;
- (8) Limited-contact recreation waters;
- (9) Fish and wildlife propagation, recreation, and stock watering waters; and
- (10) Irrigation waters.

The renewal of the Surface Water Discharge permit will allow the discharge of water from the Higman Sand & Gravel's Hudson and West Hawarden Pits. Any discharge from these facilities will enter the BIG SIOUX RIVER. The BIG SIOUX RIVER has been assigned the following beneficial uses:

- (5) Warmwater semipermanent fish life propagation waters;
- (7) Immersion recreation waters;
- (8) Limited-contact recreation waters;
- (9) Fish and wildlife propagation, recreation, and stock watering waters; and
- (10) Irrigation waters.

The renewal of the Surface Water Discharge permit will allow the discharge of water from the Higman Sand & Gravel's Vermillion Pit. Any discharge from this facility will enter the VERMILLION RIVER. The VERMILLION RIVER has been assigned the following beneficial uses:

- (5) Warmwater semipermanent fish life propagation waters;
- (8) Limited-contact recreation waters;
- (9) Fish and wildlife propagation, recreation, and stock watering waters; and
- (10) Irrigation waters.

The renewal of the Surface Water Discharge permit will allow the discharge of water from the Higman Sand & Gravel's Volin Pit. Any discharge from this facility will enter TURKEY CREEK. TURKEY CREEK has been assigned the following beneficial uses:

- (6) Warmwater marginal fish life propagation waters;
- (8) Limited-contact recreation waters;
- (9) Fish and wildlife propagation, recreation, and stock watering waters; and
- (10) Irrigation waters.

Tentative determinations regarding the water quality limits for any discharge and other conditions have been made by DENR. The Surface Water Discharge permit specifies the quality of water that can be discharged and still protect the uses of the receiving water. The proposed discharge permit and supporting document are available from DENR at the address listed below.

In accordance with the Administrative Rules of South Dakota, Chapter 74:50:02, any person desiring to comment on the Department's recommendation for the conditional issuance of this permit must submit written comments to the below address within the specified thirty (30) day comment period. Comments may be directed to the following address: South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Services, Surface Water Quality Program, Joe Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501-3181. Any person desiring a public hearing must file a petition which complies with the ARSD 74:50:02. If no objections are received within the specified 30-day period, the Secretary will issue final determinations within sixty days of the date of this notice.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Dale Healey, with DENR, at (605) 773-3351, or by writing to the address listed above.



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