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Dallas, N.C. Waste Water Treatment Plant Annual Report for 2023

General Information:

The Town of Dallas, N.C. operates a Waste Treatment plant capable of processing .6 MGD (million gallons/day) with a discharge to Dallas Creek, A class C tributary to the Catawba River Basin. Consisting of two units of extended aeration, combined with sludge digesters, and chlorine contact chambers for disinfection. The plants flows are monitored through a parshall flume, and ultrasonic flow indication on the influent side. They are also monitored on the discharge side to each unit through ultrasonic flow metering. The influent side has a manual bar screen at the pump station along with bar screen at the front of the units. Disinfection is accomplished by a chlorine contact chamber. De-chlorination accomplished by sulfur addition before discharging to creek.

Bio-solids produced by the plant are processed in an eco-friendly manner by utilizing a "Green" mindset allowing local farmers to fertilize fields for production of various grasses. Land application is a win-win situation for farmers and local governments for disposal of solids. The plant has digesters for processing sludge on each unit. The town maintains drying beds for use in rainy times when land application is not feasible, and also send solids to an incinerator at Rocky River WWTP if need be. Records of each of these methods of sludge disposal are kept at the Dallas Waste Treatment plant office for public viewing.

The Town of Dallas processed more than 124 million gallons of waste water for the year 2022. Daily average flow was 246,352 This was accomplished with minimal disruptions in quality of service. The plant had 1 small violation for the year. Exceeded the total suspended solids on effluent due to heavy rain storm and was given a civil penalty for \$703.03 on April 2023. The Town of Dallas is committed to operating in adherence to their permit #NC0068888. The new interconnect to Gastonia has been live as of January 2023. Due to population growth and housing development, we are sending 150,000 gallons a day of raw waste water to Gastonia, to insure we stay within our permit limits of 600,000 gallons a day. As of right now we are at a daily average of around 165,000 gallons a day since interconnect has been live. The WWTP is looking towards the future as Dallas expands and grows in population. We are currently replacing old equipment. The west basin was rebuilt in June of 2022. Now both basins have been rebuilt in last 2 years. Creating better treatment for incoming wastewater.



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The plant utilizes different laboratories to analyze treated water and biological treatment. These are listed:

- 1. City of Gastonia certification # 210
- 2. Environmental Testing Solutions certification # 600
- 3. Lab at the plant. Not certified, used for process control.

A total of 156 test are required by permit, 208 are conducted. The Town of Dallas provides

33% more testing to insure parameters and quality are being achieved.

The plant has two main pumps. Two back-up emergency pieces of equipment to maintain the plant in unforeseen situations. There is a new CAT generator able to run the entire plant in case of electrical interruption, and a Sunbelt diesel pump to avoid overflow at the influent of the plant. Dallas also uses a variety of local business in various capacities which perform different quality checks on equipment that deserve to be listed:

- 1. Dixie Electric Maintenance
- 2. Piedmont Chlorinator
- 3. Maryland Biochemical
- 4. Lime Chem
- 5. B &W Solutions
- 6. Clearwater Inc.
- Disinfection System Biological and Chemical providers Lime Slurry P.H. control additives Maintenance
- Flow metering and charting

I have personally examined the information submitted in this document and the individuals responsible for information contained herein. I believe the information to be true, accurate, and complete. I am aware of penalties for submitting false information.

Signed <u>30</u> day of March, 2024

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