



STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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MONTH DAY, YEAR

Mr. Robert Thode
Fire Mountain Farms
856 Burnt Ridge Road
Onalaska, WA 98570

NOTICE OF FINAL COVERAGE UNDER THE GENERAL PERMIT

Permit Number: BT9902
General Permit Effective Date: September 4, 2015
Final Coverage Date: MONTH DAY, YEAR
Coverage Expiration Date: September 4, 2020 (or a later date if your facility remains in compliance with the *General Permit for Biosolids Management, Chapter 173-308 WAC*, and all approved plans, and your facility has not been directed by the department to reapply for coverage under this permit or apply for coverage under a new permit)

Dear Mr. Robert Thode:

This letter is to notify you that Fire Mountain Farms (FMF) has been granted Final Coverage under the *General Permit for Biosolids Management*. You are required to comply with all applicable requirements of the *General Permit for Biosolids Management, Chapter 173-308 WAC*, and all approved plans.

The following requirement(s) must be complied with as a condition of this approval:

- 1) FMF must maintain an interested parties list, and must ensure that those on the list are provided with public notice in all instances required by WAC 173-308-310 (13) (g) and (h), including when FMF proposes a significant change in biosolids management practices (as defined by WAC 173-308-080 Definitions).
- 2) FMF must submit to Ecology, as part of each Annual Report (or as otherwise specified below):
 - a. An up-to-date list of interested parties.

- b. A report summarizing the previous year's soil report card results, and identifying any long term trends must be submitted as part of any agronomic rate proposal (per WAC 173-308-190 (1)).
 - c. Records demonstrating that FMF received proper notice and necessary information from each generator prior to land application (per WAC 173-308-120 (2) and section 3.12 of the General Permit for Biosolids Management).
 - 3) Prior to piping biosolids across or proximate to waterways, roadways, or residences FMF must obtain approval from Ecology of a spill prevention and response plan which must include a description for the use of secondary containment.
 - 4) If FMF mixes non-exceptional quality biosolids produced by different sources it becomes a material derived from biosolids. A material derived from biosolids is considered to be a new biosolids product that must meet all applicable quality standards and management requirements in the state biosolids rule (Chapter 173-308 WAC, Biosolids Management).
 - 5) Prior to receiving biosolids from a new source (i.e., a POTW whose biosolids FMF did not manage in the previous application season), FMF must submit an updated operating plan addressing important aspects of the material's management including, but not limited to: application site, storage, mineralization rates (per WAC 173-308-310 (19)).
 - 6) FMF must notify Ecology within 24 hours after any noncompliance with a requirement of WAC 173-308, the General Permit for Biosolids Management or any other requirement applicable to FMF's permit coverage, and must provide a written explanation within 5 days (per section 3.9.2 of the General Permit for Biosolids Management).
 - 7) Unless Ecology approves a more up-to-date plan, FMF must conduct compliance Soil or Biosolids Sampling per the Sampling and Analysis Plan dated month day, year.
 - 8) FMF must conduct land application activities per the Land Application Plans listed below:
 - a. Middle Fork Unit SSLAP dated August 16, 2016.
 - b. Mill Creek Unit SSLAP dated August 16, 2016.
 - c. North Fork Unit SSLAP dated August 17th, 2016.
 - d. Elma Unit SSLAP dated month day, year.
 - e. Eatonville Unit SSLAP dated month day, year.
 - f. Willapa Unit SSLAP dated month day, year.
 - g. Rockford Unit SSLAP dated April 28th, 2016.
 - h. Rosman Farms Unit SSLAP dated April 28th, 2016.
 - i. Lone Unit SSLAP dated February 3, 2016.
 - j. Elk Unit SSLAP dated February 13th, 2016.

k. General Land Application Plan dated month day, year.

Non-significant changes or amendments to the above plans may be required or approved by Ecology as necessary. Any significant changes (as defined in WAC 173-308-080 Definitions) shall require notification of interested parties, posting the site for public notice, and a 30 day comments period (per WAC 173-308-310 (13)).

In any case where there is a conflict between one of the foregoing requirements of approval and any provision of WAC 173-308, the Biosolids General Permit, or an approved Site Specific Land Application Plan, the more stringent requirement will prevail.

YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this permit to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this permit:

- File your appeal and a copy of this permit with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this permit on Ecology in paper form - by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
Pollution Control Hearings Board 1111 Israel Rd SW STE 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	Pollution Control Hearings Board PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please direct all questions about this permit to:

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Southwest Regional Biosolids Coordinator

360-407-6055
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MORE INFORMATION

- **Pollution Control Hearings Board**
www.eho.wa.gov/Boards_PCHB.aspx
- **Chapter 43.21B RCW - Environmental Hearings Office – Pollution Control Hearings Board**
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43.21B>
- **Chapter 371-08 WAC – Practice and Procedure**
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=371-08>
- **Chapter 34.05 RCW, Administrative Procedure Act**
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=34.05>
- **Chapter 70.95J. RCW - Municipal Sewage Sludge – Biosolids**
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70.95J>
- **Chapter 173-308 WAC - Biosolids Management**
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/biblio/wac173308.html>

Sincerely,

Peter Lyon
Section Manager
Waste 2 Resources Program

By certified mail [##### ##### ##### ##### #####]

cc: Bill Teitzel, Lewis County Environmental Services Supervisor
Patricia Hervieux, Waste 2 Resources Technical Services Unit Manager