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3BC-KAR1316 amendments: request to compost food waste

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Tue, Feb 9, 2016 at 8:38 AM

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Hi Everyone,

This was an issue that arose from the 2014 inspection: we didn't have permission to 'compost' food waste (essentially just burying it with sewage), but asked formal permission to do so. We didn't hear back on this prior to the 2015 field season, so incinerated this waste with the other trash last season. It would be really helpful to receive an answer on this prior to the 2016 field season, if possible.

Thanks for considering,

Dana

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From: Phyllis Beaulieu [mailto:phyllis.beaulieu@nwb-oen.ca]

Sent: June 18, 2015 10:06 AM
To: Kellett,Dana [Sas]
Cc: Alisauskas,Ray [Sas]; Leafloor,Jim [Wpg]; NWB Sean Joseph
Subject: Re: FW: 3BC-KAR1316 amendments: request to compost food waste

Thank you for email. Your query has been forwarded to the Technical Advisor for a response.

Sean, please provide response and provide copy to licensing@nwb-oen.ca

Regards



On Fri, May 29, 2015 at 10:49 AM, Kellett,Dana [Sas] <Dana.Kellett@ec.gc.ca> wrote:

Hello Phyllis,

We solved the issue on open burning some time ago, but I don't think we heard back on the request to compost food waste with sewage waste in pit located 31+ m from the nearest high water mark. Can you kindly update us on the status of this request, please?

Many thanks in advance,

Dana

Greetings Phyllis,

Thanks for your reply. We look forward to receiving NWB's response.

Best,

Dana

From: Phyllis Beaulieu [<mailto:phyllis.beaulieu@nwb-oen.ca>]
Sent: November 13, 2014 10:36 AM
To: Kellett,Dana [Sas]
Cc: Karen Kharatyan (k.kharatyan@nunavutwaterboard.org)
Subject: Re: 3BC-KAR1316 amendments: request to compost and burn painted buildings upon abandonment

Good morning Dana,

Part D, Item 2 of the licence states "*The licensee shall not practice on-site land filling of domestic waste, unless otherwise approved by the Board in writing.*" Therefore this activity will require Board approval.

Part D, Item 4 states: "*The Licensee shall not open burn plastics, wood treated with preservatives, electric wire, Styrofoam, asbestos or painted wood to prevent the deposition of waste materials of incomplete combustion and/or leachate from contaminated ash residue, from impacting any surrounding waters, unless otherwise approved by the Board in writing*". This means a Board approval is needed for this activity as well. Please note also that open burning is not a recommended method of disposal by Environment Canada and I don't believe that painted wood is included in GN guidance as a material acceptable for open burning.

The NWB will send your request for comments and get back to you as soon as the review is complete.

Regards,



On Wed, Nov 5, 2014 at 7:08 AM, Kellett,Dana [Sas] <Dana.Kellett@ec.gc.ca> wrote:

Dear Phyllis,

As identified in Section 3, items 6 and 7 of AANDC's Water License and Lands Inspection Form, dated 24 September 2014, we are requesting written approval from NWB for the following activities:

1. Composting (burying) of organic food waste. Part D item 9 of NWB permit 3BC-KAR1316 authorizes burying of toilet wastes in latrine pits, which are located more than 31 m from the nearest high water mark. Toilet wastes are temporarily stored in bear-proof containers prior to burying, and once deposited in pits, they are immediately filled with excavated materials to eliminate attractants to bears. Because wet materials require substantial fuel for combustion, we are requesting permission to bury biodegradable food wastes in latrine pits. Temporary storage of these materials would be the same as for toilet wastes.
2. Open burning of painted buildings upon abandonment of the site. Part I item 5 of the above-mentioned NWB permit states that upon abandonment of the site, all infrastructure and site materials shall be removed. We are requesting permission to instead burn painted lumber (buildings) upon abandonment, which will significantly reduce aircraft requirements needed to backhaul waste to Cambridge Bay. There are no plans for abandonment of this site in the foreseeable future, however.

Many thanks for considering, and we look forward to your reply.

Dana

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