

**NORTHWEST KANSAS PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT REVIEW**

REQUEST FOR ACTION ON GRANT REVIEW

DATE: July 9, 2003

Agency Name:

Kansas Geological Survey
University of Kansas
1930 Constant Avenue
Lawrence, KS 66047

Impact Categories:

Geological and other applicable

Applicant's Name and Address:

Ellis County
1204 Fort Street
Hays, KS 67601

Project Title:

Renovations to a Non-Discharging Evaporative
Sewer Lagoon Wastewater Treatment Facility

Project Number:

KDH&E (Munjoy, KS Revolving Loan Application
NPDES Permit)

Return No Later Than:

August 11, 2003

Return To:

Michele Kippes
Economic Development Coordinator
Northwest Kansas Planning & Development Commission
P.O. Box 248
Hill City, KS 67642

The enclosed proposal has been submitted by the Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission for an Environmental Assessment Review. Your review of this proposal as it affects regional or local interest will be appreciated. Your appropriate comments concerning the proposal should be submitted to the Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission no later than the date specified above.

Comments filed on a proposal may include: (1) The extent to which the project is consistent with or contributes to the fulfillment of your agency planning within the state, region or locality; (2) How the proposal relates to state, regional or local objectives; and (3) The effect of the proposal on your agency's activities.

_____ No Impact Anticipated

☒ ^{Definitely}
~~Potentially~~ Beneficial

_____ Potentially Adverse - Requires Documentation Only

_____ Potentially Adverse - Requires More Study

_____ Needs Mitigation

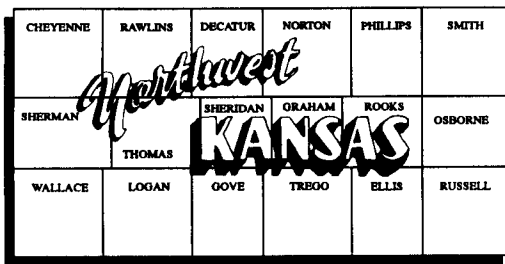
_____ Requires Project Modification

COMMENTS:

The renovations of the lagoon wastewater treatment facility to decrease leakage of wastewater from the facility will be beneficial in that it will not only decrease problems on the farmland next to the facility but improve the quality of runoff from heavy rains falling on the farmland receiving the leakage from the cells.

Reviewer's Signature and Title

Donald Whitmore Senior Scientist
7/28/03



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July 9, 2003

RE: Ellis County
Kansas Department of Health & Environment Environmental Assessment

Dear Sirs,

Ellis County is applying for Revolving Loan Funds through the Kansas Department of Health & Environment, Division of Environment, Bureau of Water for sewer improvements to the Munjor Wastewater Improvement District. The project involves the renovation of the existing three-cell sewer lagoon system in order to eliminate cited deficiencies and to bring the system into full Kansas Department of Health & Environment compliance.

Our office is conducting an environmental assessment of the above referenced project. The loan will be used to assist in the financing of the renovations of a Non-Discharging evaporative sewer lagoon wastewater treatment facility on land commonly known as a tract of land in Section 25, Township 14 South, Range 18 West of the 6th P.M., Ellis County, Kansas. I have enclosed a copy of the USGS site map and Kansas Department of Health & Environment inspection report for your review. We request that your agency review the project and advise our office regarding the environmental impact of the project. Enclosed you will find an "Environmental Assessment Review" form for convenience in issuing your response concerning the impact categories noted.

Please return the completed review form back to my office before August 11, 2003 as indicated on the "Environmental Assessment Review" form. Your prompt consideration of this review will be greatly appreciated.

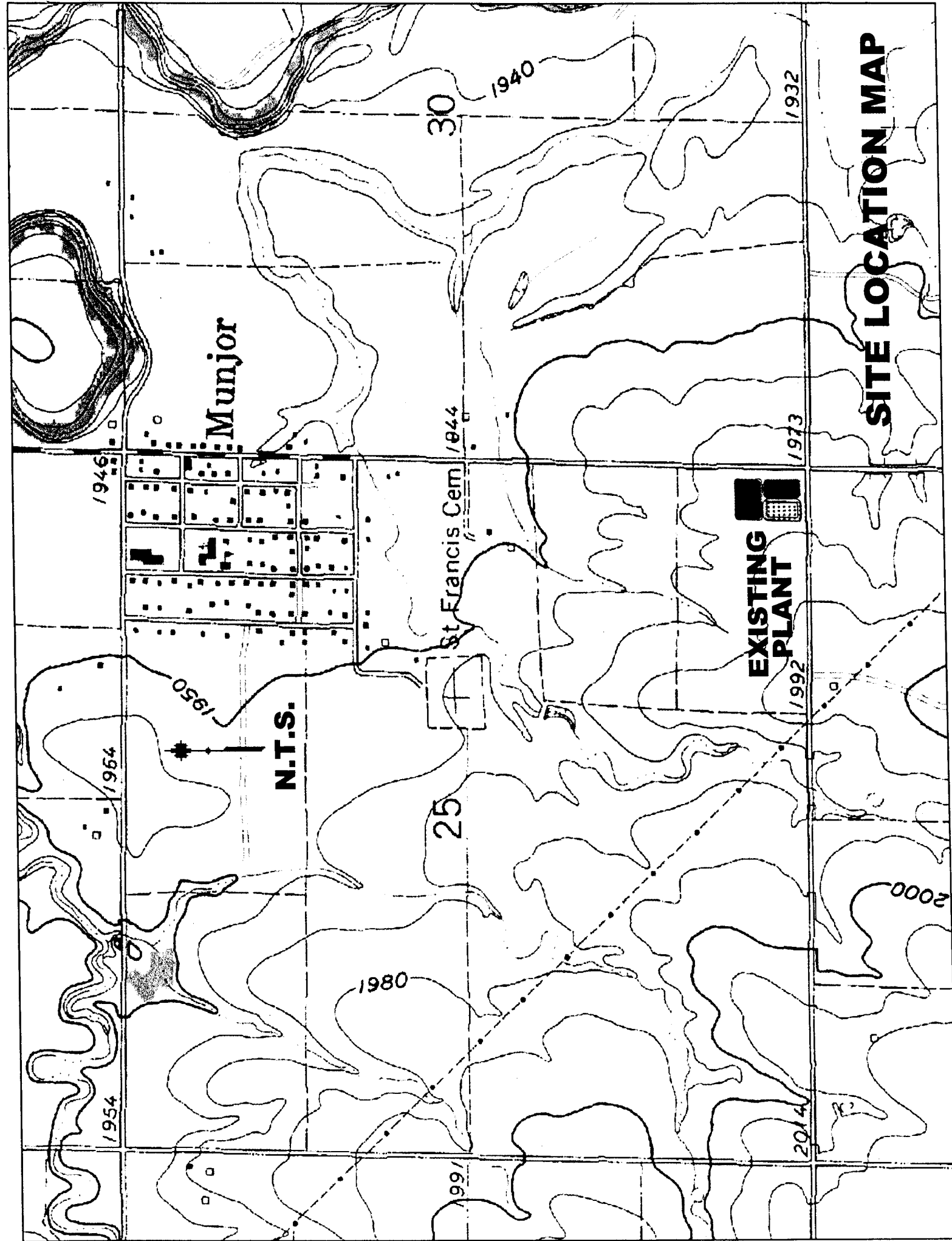
Thank you for your assistance. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Michele Kippes
Economic Development Coordinator

Enclosure

cc: Alberta Klaus, County Clerk



SITE LOCATION MAP



KANSAS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT
BILL GRAVES, GOVERNOR
Clyde D. Graeber, Secretary

July 29, 2002

Lester Gross, Chairman
Munjoy Wastewater Improvement District
884 Samara St.
Munjoy, Kansas 67601

Ref: Kansas Water Pollution Control Permit
Permit No.: M-SH50-NO01

Dear Mr. Gross:

On July 23, 2002, an inspection was conducted on the wastewater treatment facility serving the Munjoy Wastewater Improvement District. Enclosed is the inspection report.

Since the last inspection two complaints have been received regarding leakage of wastewater from the treatment facility. Mr. Larry Leiker, the landowner and Mr. Greg Pfannenstiel, the tenant, were complaining that wastewater leakage from the north and southwest cells were destroying crops and also appears to be destroying the farm ground near the facility. Leakage of wastewater from the facility can no longer be tolerated. The District must take immediate action to correct the problem. *Failure to correct the problems, especially leakage from the cells, noted in the inspection report by August 1, 2003, may result in enforcement action being initiated against the District.*

If there are any questions, please contact this office at (785) 625-5663.

Sincerely,

Norbert M. Windholz
Bureau of Environmental Field Services
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C: Neil Younger
Mary Befort
Bureau of Water
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**DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENT
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**WASTE STABILIZATION POND
INSPECTION FORM**

FACILITY NAME: Munjor Improvement District Wastewater Treatment Facility

MAILING ADDRESS: 884 Samara St., Munjor, Kansas 67601

PERMIT NUMBER: M-SH50-NO01

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (785) 625-5105

INSPECTED BY: Norbert M. Windholz

DATE: July 23, 2002

OFFICIAL(S) CONTACTED: Mary Befort-Treasurer

RECEIVING STREAM: Non-Overflowing Facility

DESIGN CAPACITY: 400 P.E.

I. PERSONNEL:

LIST OPERATING PERSONNEL (INCLUDE NAME, RESPONSIBILITIES/QUALIFICATIONS)

Neal Younger	Operator	Class I certification
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II. PLANT OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE:

A. IS FLOW MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE AND OPERABLE? Yes. Pump timers at the lift station.

B. DESCRIBE AND COMMENT ON OPERATION AND CONDITION OF FACILITY.

All flow was being directed to the north cell with overflow to the south cell. The water color of the southeast cell was pea green while the north cell was also pea green. The southwest was not being used because of seepage from the cell. Interior dike erosion was severe in the all cells. Vegetation was well controlled throughout the complete facility. Numerous fence posts had been burned are in need of replacement. Signs restricting access to the facility were posted. The lift station appeared to be functioning properly.

C. INDUSTRIAL CONTRIBUTORS (SIGNIFICANT) - DESCRIBE LARGE OR PROBLEM CONTRIBUTORS. None

D. HAVE THERE BEEN OR ARE THERE ANY ANTICIPATED SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN INFLUENT QUANTITY AND/OR QUALITY? N/A

III. RECORDS AND PERMIT REVIEW:

A. DO PLANT PERSONNEL PERFORM THEIR OWN TESTS? (YES/NO) N/A

**KANSAS****DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT**

BILL GRAVES, GOVERNOR

Clyde D. Graeber, Secretary

October 11, 2001

Lester Gross, Chairman
Munjor Wastewater Improvement District
884 Samara St.
Munjor, Kansas 67601

Dear Mr. Gross:

On October 9, 2001, an inspection was conducted of the Munjor wastewater treatment facility. Enclosed is the inspection report.

The inspection indicated major problems at the facility. The southwest cell is no longer in operation due to leakage from the facility. There is also the possibility leakage may be occurring from the northwest cell. Interior dike erosion of all cells is also another major problem. In addition, aquatic weeds were noted in the southeast and northwest cells and numerous fence posts had been destroyed by fire.

The Munjor Improvement District must take action immediately to correct these problems. I understand from the District's Treasurer, Mary Befort, a grant application for funding has been submitted to address several of these problems. The aquatic weeds and fence post problem should be corrected as soon as possible.

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