



January 31, 2017

Ronald G. Allen, Jr., Colonel, USAF  
Malmstrom Air Force Base  
39 78<sup>th</sup> Street North  
Malmstrom AFB, MT 59402

RE: MTR040008, Authorization for Reapplication under the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (Small MS4s)

Dear Ronald G. Allen, Jr:

Malmstrom Air Force Base is authorized, MTR040008, by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to discharge under the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Small MS4s.

Keep a copy of this authorization letter, the permittee's Storm Water Management Program (SWMP), and a copy of the 2017-issued MS4 General Permit on site at all times. Please read the General Permit to ensure you understand how to comply with the requirements and conditions. Coverage under the General Permit remains in effect until the expiration on **December 31, 2021**.

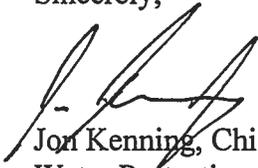
DEQ has reviewed the submitted Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) and is providing the following recommendations to strengthen the MS4's program:

- Malmstrom Air Force Base should continue to provide levels of development, progress, and current efforts of their customized program specific to each Minimum Control Measure (MCMs) and prescribed BMPs within your permitted area. Also, further clarification of your current status with the 2017 General Permit will assist in planning to meet the required timeframes.
- As monitoring requirements are new for Malmstrom Air Force Base under the 2017 General Permit, DEQ recommends developing and documenting monitoring procedures and protocols that are specific for your MS4 and meet the monitoring and records requirements of the 2017 General Permit.
- DEQ supports your efforts in supplementing your SWMP with attachments to include forms and procedures utilized for your program. Please continue to include any additional attachments during the permit cycle to include, but not limited to, protocols, policies, checklists, and MOUs.

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Thank you for your efforts in protecting Montana state waters. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Water Protection Bureau at (406) 444-3080 as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Kenning', written over a horizontal line.

Jon Kenning, Chief  
Water Protection Bureau

cc: Cody Koontz, Malmstrom Air Force Base