

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 10**

**Response to Comments
City of Mackay
Permit No. ID-002302-7**

Background

On December 18, 2003, EPA proposed to reissue the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for the City of Mackay wastewater treatment facility (WWTP). The Public Notice of the draft permit initiated a public comment period which expired on February 2, 2004. The EPA received comments on the draft permit from Kenneth Day on behalf of the City of Mackay. No other comments were received.

This document summarizes the comments received on the draft permit, and EPA's response to the comments. The document provides a record of the basis for changes made from the draft permit to the final permit. The Fact Sheet that accompanied the draft permit was not revised because it is already a final document that provides a basis for the draft permit.

Comment 1

An Operation and Maintenance Plan was developed for the City of Mackay wastewater treatment plant in 1988. Since that time the plan has been updated as needed. The City is concerned that the language in the proposed permit would require them to develop a new plan, when an update to the existing plan is sufficient.

Response 1

EPA agrees that it is sufficient to update the existing plan rather than develop a new plan. The final permit has been revised to state "Any existing Operation and Maintenance Plans may be modified to meet the requirements under this section."