

**State of Michigan**  
**Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy**

Water Resources Division  
Hydrologic Studies and Dam Safety Unit  
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Site Name: 39-Gull Lake Dam-Hickory Corners  
Submission Number: HNQ-2WE4-T21W2  
Date: January 13, 2020

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Mr. Jeffrey Price, Gull Lake Association, 1831 Wild Drive, Richland, MI 49083, has applied to this office for a permit under authority of Part 31, Water Resources Protection; Part 301, Inland Lakes and Streams; and Part 315, Dam Safety, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (NREPA). The applicant proposes to reconstruct the existing principal spillway of the Gull Lake Dam, Dam ID No. 565. The project would include a 1-foot temporary drawdown of Gull Lake; installation of approximately 144 linear feet of steel sheet piling; removal and replacement of the existing concrete spillway; installation of new weir gates; placement of approximately 84 cubic yards of fill during spillway reconstruction and grading of the earthen embankments; and installation of a catwalk safety fencing. No wetland impacts are proposed. Stream flows would be maintained via permanent and construction cofferdams throughout the construction process. The project is located in T01S, R09W, Section 19, Ross Township, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, in accordance with plans attached to this notice.

**THIS NOTICE IS NOT A PERMIT**

The proposed project may also be regulated by one or more additional parts of the NREPA that are administered by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Water Resources Division (WRD). The requirements of all applicable parts are considered in determining if a permit can be issued. When a permit application is received requesting authorization to work in or over the inland waters of the State of Michigan, pursuant to Part 31, Part 301, and Part 315 of the NREPA, the NREPA provides that EGLE submit copies for review to the department of public health; the city, village, or township and county where the project is to be located; the local soil conservation district; and any local watershed council organized under Part 311, Local River Management, of the NREPA. Additional notification is provided to certain persons as required by statute or determined by EGLE.

The normal review of a permit application considers the impacts that the encroachment will have on flood stage or discharge characteristics but does not consider the impact that the proposed work will have on the local community development and land use patterns.

Those persons wanting to make comments on the proposed project shall furnish this office with their written comments no later than 20 days from the date of this notice. Written comments will be made part of the record and should reference the above application number. Objections must be factual, specific, and fully describe the reasons upon which any objection is founded. Unless a written request is filed with EGLE within the 20-day public comment period, EGLE may make a decision on the application without a public hearing. The determination as to whether a permit will be issued or a public hearing held will be based on an evaluation of all relevant factors, including the public comments received and the effect of the proposed work on the public trust or interest, including navigation, fish, wildlife, and pollution. The specific permit decision criteria can be found in the parts

of the NREPA applicable to this application and listed above. Copies of these parts of the NREPA are available on the public notice Web site. Public comments received will also be considered.

The entire copy of the public notice package may be viewed at the WRD's office listed on the top of this public notice or online at:

<https://miwaters.deq.state.mi.us/miwaters/#/external/publicnotice/search>. To access the public notice page online, search for the public notice by location or applicant name, and view by clicking on the "Documents" tab. Comments may be sent electronically by clicking on the "Add Comment" tab. A hard copy of the public notice may be requested by calling the above number.

cc:

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Kalamazoo County Clerk  
Ross Township Clerk  
Kalamazoo County Drain Commissioner  
Kalamazoo County Health Department  
Kalamazoo County Conservation District  
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