

#### Catherine E. Heigel, Director

Promoting and protecting the health of the public and the environment

March 25, 2016

Mr. Charles Helms City of York 10 N Roosevelt St York SC 29745

Re:

Permit to repair the LOWER YORK RESERVOIR DAM (D 1222)

York County

To Mr. Helms,

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) has reviewed your application for a permit to repair the LOWER YORK RESERVOIR DAM, together with plans prepared by Armstrong Glen, P.C., and your application is approved. Enclosed is your permit NO. 46-0006. This existing dam is classified as high hazard by DHEC due to the likely damages that would result from its potential failure or improper operation.

Please note the special provision in the permit that your engineer notify DHEC in writing, certifying construction is complete in accordance with the approved plans. Once notified, DHEC will schedule a final inspection with your engineer. DHEC can only issue a Certificate of Operation or Completion based on satisfactory results of the final inspection. The reservoir may not be fully impounded until this certificate is issued by DHEC.

Please be aware that obtaining this permit from the Dams Safety program does not relieve you of requirements to obtain any other Federal, State or local assent that may be required.

This permit becomes final agency decision fifteen (15) calendar days after this letter has been mailed unless a written request for review is filed with the Department. Enclosed you will find the South Carolina Board of Health and Environmental Control Guide to Board Review. This guide is pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 44-1-60 and went into effect April 1, 2013 with latest revision of May 8, 2014. This information is provided as a courtesy; parties are responsible for complying with all applicable legal requirements.

Please note the agency is under the provision of the Permit Extension Joint Resolution of 2013.

Please contact me by telephone at (803) 898-1767 or by email (preferred) at fordrj@dhec.sc.gov if you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter or the enclosed permit.

Sincerely,

James Ford, Hydrogeologist

Dams Safety Section

Bureau of Water

**SCDHEC** 

Enclosures: Guide to Board Review

Permit NO. 46-0006

cc: William M Armstrong, P.E., Armstrong Glen P.C.

Kristen Jones - Lancaster EQC

CODE NO. <u>46-0006</u>

NAME OF APPLICANT

City of York

EFFECTIVE DATE

March 25, 2016

# SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

#### DAMS & RESERVOIRS SAFETY

### PERMIT

Approval of plans and specifications for construction, enlargement, removal or repair of dams and reservoirs is required under provision of the "Dams and Reservoirs Safety Act" (Article 3, Chapter 11, Title 49 of the Code of Laws of S.C., 1976).

This permit constitutes approval for: City of York
10 N Roosevelt St
York SC 29745

to: repair the LOWER YORK RESERVOIR DAM (D 1222) in York County

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

- 1. That all activities identified and authorized herein including the approved plans and specifications shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit; and that any activity performed in any manner inconsistent with the activities authorized herein shall constitute a violation of this permit, which may result in modification, suspension or revocation of this permit, in whole or in part, and the institution of such legal proceedings as the Department of Health and Environmental Control may consider appropriate.
- 2. That this permit may be summarily suspended, in whole or in part, upon a finding by the Department, or its authorized agents, that the work being constructed or as constructed is in variance with the herein approved plans and specifications or the terms of this permit. The Department may order, upon such finding of noncompliance, that the offending portion or portions of such structure be immediately removed or otherwise put into conformance with approved plans and specifications at the permittee's expense.
- 3. That this permit may be suspended or modified in whole or in part, upon a finding by the Department or its authorized agents, that such suspension or modification is deemed necessary to protect public health or safety. Any modification or suspension

of this permit shall not be the basis for any claim of damages against the State of South Carolina.

- 4. That this permit does not convey, expressly or impliedly, any property in rights in real estate or material, nor any exclusive privileges; nor does it authorize the permittee to alienate, diminish, infringe upon or otherwise restrict the property rights of any other person or the public; nor shall this permit be interpreted as appropriating public properties for private use.
- 5. That the permittee shall permit the Department or its authorized agents or representatives to make periodic inspections at any time deemed necessary in order to assure that the activity being performed is in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.
- 6. That this permit does not obviate the requirement to obtain other Federal, State or local assent required by law for the activity authorized herein. Issuance of this permit does not, nor shall be interpreted as to, relieve the permittee/owner of the responsibility for maintaining such structure in a safe condition throughout the life of the structure. Nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve an owner of a dam or reservoir of the legal duties, obligations or liabilities incident to the ownership of a dam or reservoir, nor shall an action against the State of South Carolina, its agencies or employees, lie by reasons of the issuance of this permit or the terms or conditions contained herein.
- 7. That the permittee agrees to maintain an authorized structure in good condition in accordance with approved plans and specifications throughout the life of such structure.
- 8. That it has been determined that this impoundment or water control structure is for the purpose(s) of Water Supply.
- 9. That this impoundment or water control structure is located in York County as shown on the map submitted as part of the permit application which has been made a part of this permit. The Lancaster EQC office serves the area where this dam is located.

## **SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

- 1. That this permit shall be valid for a one (1) year term from the date of execution of this permit. The Joint Resolution suspends the running of the time period for approvals during the four year period from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016. For approvals issued between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2016, the time period begins on January 1, 2017. A copy of this legislation, also referred to as H.3774, can be downloaded at <a href="http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess120">http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess120</a> 2013-2014/bills/3774.htm for your review. Any request for extensions must be submitted in writing at least 30 days prior to expiration of the permit.
- 2. When construction is complete, the owner's engineer must notify DHEC in writing within 10 days that the dam has been properly constructed. DHEC will then

schedule a joint inspection of the dam with the engineer. Once the final inspection is satisfactorily completed, DHEC will issue a Certificate of Operation or Completion. You do not have the Departments assent to impound water with this dam until the DHEC issues this certificate.

This permit shall become effective on the date of the Section Representative's Signature.

Section Representative

March 25, 2016

Copy filed with:

1. S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control

2. Applicant

DHEC 2603(06/94)