FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
Environmental Protection

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2600 Blair Stone Road
Tallahassee, FL 32399-2400

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NOTICE OF DRAFT PERMIT

In the Matter of an
Application for Permit Renewal by:

DEP File No. FLS000014-005

City of Orlando
400 S Orange Ave.
P.O. Box 4990
Orlando, FL 32802-4990

The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) gives notice of its preparation of a draft permit (copy attached) for the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) specified above. The Department is authorized under Section 403.0885 of the Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Rule 62-624 and 62-624 of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) to implement the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program. The Department has determined that an MS4 permit is required for the operation of the above-referenced MS4.

The applicant, City of Orlando, applied on October 21, 2021 to the Department for a permit renewal associated with the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) of which they are owner or operator. The Department determined the application for permit renewal is consistent with the standards for issuing permits as required under Rule 62-624.500, F.A.C. The applicant has provided reasonable assurance that their Stormwater Management Program will achieve a reduction of the discharge of pollutants from their MS4 to the Maximum Extent Practicable.

Pursuant to Section 403.815, F.S. and Rule 62-620.550 F.A.C., the applicant shall publish the enclosed Notice of Draft Permit and Request for Public Comment. The notice must be published one time only within 30 days of receipt of this draft permit in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected. For the purpose of this rule, "publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected" means publication in a newspaper meeting the requirements of Sections 50.011 and 50.031, F.S. in the county where the facility is located. Where there is more than one newspaper of general circulation in the county, the newspaper used should be one with significant circulation in the area that may be affected by the permit. If you are uncertain whether a newspaper meets these requirements, please contact Michelle Bull by email at Michelle.Bull@FloridaDEP.gov, or by telephone at (850) 245-7561. The applicant must provide proof of publication by mail to Michelle Bull, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Mail Station 3585, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400 within 14 days of publication. Failure to publish the notice and provide proof of publication within the allotted time may result in the denial of the permit. The proof of publication must include an original clipping of

the notice and an affidavit from the newspaper meeting the requirements of Section 50.051, F.S.

The Department intends to renew coverage with the attached conditions unless, as a result of public comment, appropriate changes are made.

Pursuant to Rule 62-620.555, F.A.C., any interested person may submit written comments on the applicant's proposed permit and/or may submit a written request for a public meeting to the Department through the DEP Business Portal at https://www.fldepportal.com/DepPortal/go/submit-publiccomment, by email to NPDES-MS4@floridadep.gov, or by mail to NPDES Stormwater Program, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Mail Station 3585, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400. The comments or request for a public meeting must be received by the above-mentioned Department office. Comments from the permit applicant and the persons listed below receiving the draft permit package must be received within 30 days of receipt of this notice. Comments or request for a public meeting submitted by other persons receiving the draft permit package via publication must be received within 30 days of publication of the public notice. Failure to submit comments or request a public meeting within this time period will constitute a waiver of any right such person may have to submit comments or request a public meeting pursuant to Rule 62-620.555, F.A.C.

The comments or request for a public meeting shall contain the following information:

a) The commenting party name, address and telephone number;
b) City of Orlando MS4, File FLS000014-005;
c) A description of any changes the commenter proposes for the draft permit;
d) A full explanation of the factual and legal reasons for each proposed change to the draft permit by the commenter; and
e) If applicable, a request that a public meeting be scheduled including a statement of the nature of the issues proposed to be raised at the meeting. However, the Department may not always grant a request for a public meeting. Therefore, written comments should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice, even if a public meeting is requested.

If a public meeting is scheduled, the public comment period is extended until the close of the public meeting, and any person may submit oral or written statements and data at the meeting on the Department's proposed action. As a result of significant public comment, the Department's final action may be different from the position taken by it in the draft permit.

Executed in Tallahassee, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Michelle Bull
NPDES Stormwater Program
Division of Water Resource Management

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this NOTICE OF DRAFT PERMIT AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT and all copies were transmitted via ePost before the close of business on the date indicated below to the listed persons.

Enc: Fact Sheet for Florida Department of Environmental Protection Municipal Separate Storm Sewer NPDES Permit Renewal to Discharge to Waters of the State for City of Orlando, FLS000014-005
DRAFT State of Florida Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit for City of Orlando, FLS000014-005
Annual Report Form for City of Orlando
Public Notice of Draft Permit and Request for Public Comment

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FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

FILED, on this date, under Section 120.52, F.S., with the designated Deputy Clerk, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

Beth Robertson Digitally signed by Beth Robertson Date: 2025.03.18 12:30:52 -04'00'

Clerk Name

3/18/2025

Date