



Vermont Agency of Natural Resources
 Department of Environmental Conservation
 Environmental Compliance Division
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 Montpelier, VT 05620-3803

Complaint Report Form

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Complaint Number: 18EC01505

Related Complaint Number:

Town: Highgate

County: Franklin

Date of Incident: 11/26/2018

Time of Incident:

Description: Spreading manure on snow - discharge resulting

Comments: Update 12/6/18 - spreading again today

This is a referral pursuant to Section 6 of the MOU.

Farm: Jacques Parent
 Owner: Jacques Parent
 Operator: Jacques Parent
 Address: 1307 Route 7, Highgate, VT
 Phone Number:

Date of Complaint: 11/24/18
 Complaint: Spreading manure on snow along Route 7 in between the Home Farm and Rice Farm. Complaint did not specify that manure was making its way to surface water.

Date of VAAFMM Investigation: 11/26/18
 Investigative Finding: Maria and Clark went to the Rice Farm facility to investigate a complaint about spreading on snow. Upon arriving to the Rice Farm facility, Maria took the video attached to this email. The video shows manure running off of the field and flowing toward a ditch with flowing water in it. The ditch leads to a surface water. Investigation shows that this complaint should be referred to ANR.

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Directions to Site: 1307 Route 7, Highgate

SUBJECT PROPERTY

Grand List Year: 2017

Town: Highgate

Owner 1: PARENT JACQUES & MARIEL

Owner 2:

Mailing Address: 1307 RTE 7 SWANTON VT 05488

Property Location:

Property Description: FARM DWL MH & 164.29 ACRES

Span #: 29109211332

Parcel ID #: 0006700071-

Total Acres: 164.29

Category: Farm

Residential Code: T

ALLEGED VIOLATOR

Name: Jacques Parent

Approx. Age:

DOB:



Company Name: _____ Title: _____
Physical Address: VT
Mailing Address: VT
Email Address: _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

AGENT

No Complaint Agent Information

COMPLAINANT

Name: David huber
Company: AAFM Title: _____
Physical Address: VT
Mailing Address: VT
Email Address: _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

WITNESSES

No Complaint Witness Information

INCIDENT TRACKING

Complaint Received Date: 11/29/2018 Complaint Input By: Sean McVeigh
Initial Contact Date: 11/29/2018 Initial Contact Person: Sean McVeigh
CIR: Outside Agency Is Data Sensitive?: F
District: 6 WBID #: VT06-03

PROGRAM CODES

Program Code: ENF 05 Unpermitted Discharges (AAPs)
Investigator: Reginald Smith
Status Code: 1 - No Violation(s) Found
Date Assigned to Investigator: 12/4/2018 Date Recieved by Investigator: 12/4/2018
Date Opened by Investigator: 12/6/2018 Date Closed: 2/1/2019
Permit #: _____ Condition#: _____ PIN #: _____
NOAV Issued?: F NOAV Issued Date: _____
Citation Issued?: F Citation Issued Date: _____
Program Incident Report: _____
Closure Review By: CEE0 McVEIGH Closure Review Date: 2/13/2019

ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT OFFICER INVESTIGATION REPORT

12/06/18

I responded to the subject property. I met with the farmer Jacques Parent. Parent reported that he is leasing the field that was the location of this IR. Parent stated that he was recently told by AAFM that he

could spread on snow.

I explained to Parent that I did not have direct jurisdiction over spreading on snow or the pending spreading ban. I told Parent that my concern was the report of a discharge to State waters.

Parent said there was no manure running off of the field. Parent drove me in his truck around the edge of the subject field. I observed a large buffer strip between the edge of the fields and the wood line. There was also a large buffer strip between the ditch line and the previously spread manure. I did not see any evidence of manure leaving the field.

I reminded Parent that although AAFM may have given him permission to spread on snow (as told to me by Parent) he cannot discharge manure to State waters at any time.

Parent said that he understood and would continue to monitor his operation so that manure would not be discharged.

I photographed the site. See photo section of BEAR.

Closed.

FOIA

<u>Date Requested:</u>	2/12/2019	<u>Requestor:</u>	Michael Colby
<u>Affiliation:</u>	1	<u>Method:</u>	Email
<u>Info. Requested:</u>	Incident Report	<u>Supervisor:</u>	Sean McVeigh
<u>Date Approved:</u>	2/13/2019	<u>Date Denied/Delayed:</u>	
<u>Date Sent:</u>	2/13/2019	<u>Sent To:</u>	mcolbyvt@gmail.com

LOCATION

Latitude: 44.9517769

Longitude: -73.117811

