

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

## MONITORING AND RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

REPORT NO. 25-11

HANOVER PARK WATER RECLAMATION PLANT

FISCHER FARM MONITORING REPORT

FOR FOURTH QUARTER 2024:

SPECIAL CONDITION 6



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Dear Sir or Madam:

Subject: Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant – Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Permit No. 2022-SC-66896, Special Condition 6 Monitoring Report for October, November, and December 2024

This report contains the monitoring data for the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) Fischer Farm site for October, November, and December 2024, as required by Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Operating Permit No. 2022-SC-66896, Special Condition 6. The volumes of liquid biosolids applied to the Hanover Park WRP Fischer Farm site during November 2024, and the associated dry weights of biosolids applied, are shown in <u>Table 1</u>. The analytical data for liquid biosolids applied to Fischer Farm fields in the fourth quarter are reported separately, as required by Permit No. 2022-SC-66896, Special Condition 4. For the next growing season (2025), corn (*Zea mays*) is expected to be grown in all biosolids application areas. The data reported are as follows:

<u>Table 1</u>: Volumes and Dry Weights of Liquid Biosolids Applied to Fields During November 2024 at the Hanover Park Fischer Farm Site.

<u>Figure 1</u>: Map of Fields and Wells at the Hanover Park Fischer Farm Site of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago.

Very truly yours,

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TABLE 1: VOLUMES AND DRY WEIGHTS OF LIQUID BIOSOLIDS APPLIED TO FIELDS¹ DURING NOVEMBER 2024 AT THE HANOVER PARK FISCHER FARM SITE

Field	Date	Biosolids Type	Volume (Gallons)	Dry Weight (Tons)
3	11/08/24	Biosolids	900,000	124.97
2	11/09/24	Biosolids	900,000	123.47
1	11/10/24	Biosolids	1,200,000	179.64
6	11/11/24	Biosolids	2,200,000	300.91
5	11/12/24	Biosolids	2,200,000	313.75
Total			7,400,000	1,042.74

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>All fields that received biosolids applications were used for cultivating corn (*Zea mays*).

## FIGURE 1: MAP OF FIELDS AND WELLS AT THE HANOVER PARK FISCHER FARM SITE OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

