



South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control

CERTIFIED MAIL

December 6, 2013

Brian Johnson
6490 New Cut Rd
Inman, SC 29365

Re: Inspection of **Dam D-3314**, Ed Lee Pond, Spartanburg County

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On October 21, 2013, SC DHEC conducted a routine inspection of your dam off Holly Springs Road. I am enclosing a copy of the inspection report of the dam. Overall the dam appears to be in **poor** condition. The primary outlet pipe is blocked. Only a trickle of water is exiting the pipe. The pond is draining across the emergency spillway. The channel for the spillway is non-existent after approximately 80 feet. From that point to the creek the water is just meandering through the wooded area below the dam and causing erosion.

Additionally, the downslope side of the dam has numerous trees and an undulating topography. Trees and their root systems can become a problem for dams over time. If blown over trees can uproot a large quantity of soil causing significant damage to the structure of the dam. Likewise the roots can become a pathway for water movement through the dam. Remove all trees less than 6 inches in diameter.

We do not have a copy of a current Emergency Notification Plan in our file. Please complete the attached form and return to us a copy. Should this dam experience difficulty the agencies listed on the notification plan could provide assistance.

Corrections should be performed within ninety (90) days from the receipt of this letter. These corrections are required by the *Dams and Reservoirs Safety Act Regulations R. 72-4*. Failure to perform these corrections is a direct violation of the Dams and Reservoirs Safety Act, Article 3, Section 49-11-260 and subsequent penalties. Contact Florence Hall or myself when the corrections have been made. If you have any questions, please call me at 864-596-3800.

Sincerely,

James West
SC DHEC Upstate Region - Spartanburg EQC Office

Cc: John Poole, SC DHEC Bureau of Water – Dam Safety Program
Florence Hall, SC DHEC BEHS Spartanburg District Engineer