



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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Mr. Bill Bates
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SUBJECT: Lake Petit Dam
Pickens County
Permit #112-009-0462

Dear Mr. Bates:

The Safe Dams Program staff will be conducting a quality assurance inspection of the subject dam for fiscal year 2021. The dam inspection is scheduled for between January and March 2021. Please remember that these inspections are meant to supplement regular inspections performed by the owner of the dam and are for the purpose of checking that the dam is in compliance. This inspection **does not** count as your engineer inspection which is required by the Rules for Dam Safety.

The schedule for the FY21 inspections has been set with specific dates for the inspections. In light of the current situation with the COVID-19 virus, the Division is practicing social distancing and requests no in-person visits. If you have social distancing protocol or procedures we should follow, please make sure to let us know in advance. Inspection times will be set only for those dams where the owner or his/her representative needs to be present to allow access to the property. If there is a need for you to be present but you become ill, please do not hesitate to call and notify us. Likewise, should our staff start feeling ill we assure you we will call and notify you as well. We will continue to provide written follow-up of our inspection to you.

You should inspect your dam prior to our visit to correct any minor maintenance deficiencies and cut any overgrown vegetation. **The Safe Dams Program staff must be able to access the dam for the inspection. Please contact our office if access is restricted so that arrangements can be made, particularly if there are gates that must be unlocked.** Please send a copy of your own inspection records from the past year to the address at the top of this letter.

Please contact Rachel Cochran at 770-490-0708 no later than **December 4, 2020**, if you or your representative need to allow access to the property for the inspection, or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Safe Dams Program