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July 28, 2021

NOTICE OF PERMIT

By-Email

robertandsonsdistributor@gmail.com

In the Matter of an
Application for Permit by:
Robert and Sons Tires Corp.
507 Nilsen St.
Haines City, FL 33844

Polk County
WACS # 106464
RJ Tires

Attention: Mr. Robert Vargas

DEP File No: 385348-001-WT/02

Enclosed is Permit Number 385348-001-WT/02 to operate a waste tire processing facility, issued pursuant to Section 403.061(14) and 403.707, Florida Statutes.

Any party to this order (permit) has the right to seek judicial review of the permit under Section 120.68, Florida Statutes, by the filing of a Notice of Appeal under rule 9.110 of the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, with the Clerk of the Department of Environmental Protection, Office of General Counsel, Mail Station 35, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 or via electronic correspondence at Agency_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us and by filing a copy of the Notice of Appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate District Court of Appeal. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within thirty days after this Notice is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

Executed in Hillsborough County, Florida.

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Mike Lynch, Program Administrator
Permitting and Waste Cleanup Program
Southwest District Office

PERMITTEE: Robert and Sons Tires Corp.
FACILITY NAME: RJ Tires

PERMIT #: 385348-001-WT/02
WACS Facility ID: 106464

FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

Barbara Browning

Clerk

July 28, 2021

Date

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned duly designated deputy clerk hereby certifies that this NOTICE OF PERMIT and all copies were sent before the close of business on July 28, 2021, to the listed persons.

Barbara Browning

Clerk

July 28, 2021

Date

Enclosure: Permit No. 385348-001-WT/02

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Haines City, Florida
939-630-1102

Facility WACS ID No.: 106464

Facility Name:

RJ Tires
507 Nilsen St.
Haines City, Polk County, Florida

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412 Vista Bahia
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939-630-1102

Solid Waste Operation Permit – Waste Tire Processing Facility
Permit No.: 385348-001-WT/02

Permit Issued: July 28, 2021
Permit Renewal Application Due Date: May 28, 2026
Permit Expires: July 28, 2026

Permitting Authority:

Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Southwest District Office
13051 N. Telecom Parkway, Suite 101
Temple Terrace, Florida 33637
Phone: (813) 470-5700
Fax: (813) 470-5996

SECTION 1 – SUMMARY INFORMATION

A. Authorization

The permittee is hereby authorized to operate a waste tire processing facility in accordance with the specific and general conditions of this permit and any documents attached to this permit or specifically referenced in this permit and made a part of this permit.

This solid waste operation permit is issued under the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes, and Florida Administrative Code Chapters 62-4, 62-701, and 62-711.

This permit does not relieve the permittee from complying with any other appropriate local zoning or land use ordinances or with any other laws, rules or ordinances. Receipt of any permit from the Department does not relieve the applicant from obtaining other federal, state, and local permits and/or modifications required by law, including those from other sections within the Department or of the Water Management District.

B. Facility Location

The facility is located at 507 Nilsen St., Haines City in Section 19, Township 27 South, and Range 27 East in Polk County, Florida (Latitude 28° 06' 55.8169" and Longitude 81° 38' 30.6070").

C. Facility Description

The above-named permittee is hereby authorized to operate a waste tire processing facility where processing involves the receipt of whole waste tires that are then sorted by size, tested for airtightness, and stored before being combined by placing smaller tires inside larger tires. Combined tires are shipped to Puerto Rico for resale. The tires are combined inside a concrete building, and all tires are stored inside the building or in a maximum of three enclosed trailers located in the paved parking area of the building. On-site waste tire storage capacity is 23,404 tires and includes whole waste tires and combined tires for resale.

D. Appendices Made Part of This Permit

APPENDIX 1 – General Conditions

APPENDIX 2 – List of Documents Incorporated into this Permit

E. Attachments for Informational Purposes Only

ATTACHMENT 1 – Time Sensitive Action Chart

If any of the time deadlines in the Time Sensitive Action Chart are inconsistent with the time deadlines in the permit conditions, the time deadline in the permit condition shall be followed.

ATTACHMENT 2 – Storage Plan

SECTION 2 – SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

A. Administrative Requirements

1. Documents Part of This Permit. The permit application **as finally revised, replaced or amended** in response to the Department's Request(s) for Additional Information are contained in the Department's files and are made a part of this permit. Those documents that make up the complete permit application are listed in APPENDIX 2 [APP-2].
 - a. Engineering Report (Eng. Report), [ref. APP-2, Para. 1.a.]
 - b. Operation Plan (Op. Plan), [ref. APP-2, Para. 1.b.]
 - c. Contingency Plan/Emergency Preparedness Plan (Contingency Plan), [ref. APP-2, Para. 1.c.]
 - d. Storage Plan (Storage Plan), [ref. APP-2, Para. 1.d.]
2. Permit Modification. Any change to construction, operation or monitoring requirements of this permit may require a modification to this permit, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 62-701.320(4), F.A.C.
3. Permit Renewal. In order to ensure uninterrupted operation of this facility, a timely and sufficient permit renewal application must be submitted to the Department in accordance with Rule 62-701.320(10), F.A.C. A permit application submitted at least 61 days prior to the expiration of this permit is considered timely and sufficient.
4. Transfer of Permit or Name Change. In accordance with Rule 62-701.320(11), F.A.C., the Department must be notified in writing within 30 days: (1) of any sale or conveyance of the facility; (2) if a new or different person takes ownership or control of the facility; or (3) if the facility name is changed.

B. Construction Requirements

1. General Construction Requirements. No construction is authorized at this facility. The Department shall be notified before any planned construction at the facility is implemented in order to determine whether a permit modification is required.

C. Operation Requirements

1. General Operating Requirements. The Permittee shall operate the facility in accordance with the approved Operation Plan. The Department shall be notified before any changes, other than minor deviations, to the approved Operation Plan are implemented in order to determine whether a permit modification is required.
2. Authorized Waste and Material Types. The facility is authorized to manage only the following:
 - a) Whole waste tires as defined in Rule 62-701.200, F.A.C.

C. Operation Requirements (cont.)

3. Unauthorized Waste Types. The facility is not authorized to accept or manage any waste types not listed in C.2. above. Any unauthorized waste inadvertently received by the facility shall be managed in accordance with the approved Operation Plan [ref. [Op. Plan, Sec. 2.3.](#)].
4. Maximum Storage Quantities. The maximum storage at the facility for whole waste tires, including combined tires for re-sale shall be 23,404 tires in accordance with Rule 62-711.530(2), F.A.C and [Attachment B of the Operation Plan](#).
5. Facility Capacity. If the facility has reached its permitted capacity for storage of waste tires, the permittee shall not accept additional waste tires until sufficient capacity has been restored.
6. Storage and Management. All waste tires will be stored indoors or in outdoor storage trailers in accordance with the facility Storage Plan and shall meet the fire department's standards along with the applicable storage requirements cited in Rule 62-711.540, F.A.C.
7. Contingency Plan and Notification of Emergencies. The Permittee shall notify the Department in accordance with the approved Contingency Plan. Notification shall be made to the DEP's Southwest District Office Compliance Assurance Program at (813) 470-5700 or SWD_Waste@FloridaDEP.gov.
8. Operations Involving Use of Open Flames. No operations involving the use of open flames shall be conducted within 25 feet of a waste tire pile, Rule 62-711.540(1)(b), F.A.C.
9. Processing Requirements. At least 75% of the whole tires and used tires that are delivered to or are contained on the site at the beginning of each calendar year must be processed and removed for disposal or recycling from the facility during the year, or disposed in a permitted solid waste management facility Rule 62-711.530(3), F.A.C.
10. Quarterly Reports. Owner or operators of waste tire processing facilities shall submit quarterly reports to the Department that summarize the information collected under Rule 62-711.530(4), F.A.C. The reports shall be submitted on DEP Form 62-701.900(21), on the 20th of the month following the close of each calendar quarter to the Southwest District Office Compliance Assurance Program at SWD_Waste@FloridaDEP.gov, with a copy to the Department of Environmental Protection, Solid Waste Section, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, Rule 62-711.530(5), F.A.C.
11. Fire Inspection. A fire safety survey should be conducted at least annually, and the survey report shall be made part of the next quarterly report in accordance with Rule 62-711.540(1)(d), F.A.C. The fire safety inspection report shall be maintained at the facility for five years and copies shall be provided to the Department upon request. In the event that deficiencies are noted in the annual fire safety inspection report, **within 30 days** of completion, the permittee shall provide documentation to the Department indicating correction of any deficiencies noted. The documentation shall include approval of the corrections by the local fire authority.

D. Water Quality Monitoring Requirements

[There are no water quality monitoring requirements for this facility.]

E. Gas Management System Requirements

[There are no gas management requirements for this facility.]

F. Closure Requirements

[There are no closure requirements for this facility.]

G. Financial Assurance and Cost Estimates

1. Financial Assurance Mechanism. The permittee shall maintain, in good standing, the financial assurance mechanism established to demonstrate proof of financial assurance. Support documentation and evidence of financial assurance increases shall be submitted within the time frames specified in Rule 62-711.500(3), F.A.C. All submittals in response to this specific condition shall be sent to:

Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Financial Assurance Working Group
2600 Blair Stone Road, MS 4548
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400

2. Annual Cost Estimates. The permittee shall annually adjust the closing cost estimate in accordance with Rule 62-711.500(3), F.A.C. The owner or operator shall submit the annual cost estimate at least 60 days prior to the anniversary date of their financial assurance mechanism.

All submittals in response to this specific condition shall be sent to the Southwest District Office Compliance Assurance Program at SWD_Waste@FloridaDEP.gov and a copy to the address identified in Specific Condition F.1. or to the following email address: Financial.Assurance.Working.Group@FloridaDEP.gov.

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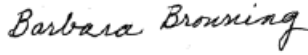
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Mike Lynch
Program Administrator
Permitting & Waste Cleanup Program
Southwest District

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Clerk

July 28, 2021
Date

APPENDIX 1 – General Conditions

1. The terms, conditions, requirements, limitations and restrictions set forth in this permit, are "permit conditions" and are binding and enforceable pursuant to Sections 403.141, 403.161, 403.727, or 403.861, Florida Statutes (F.S.). The permittee is placed on notice that the Department will review this permit periodically and may initiate enforcement action for any violation of these conditions.
2. This permit is valid only for the specific processes and operations applied for and indicated in the approved drawings or exhibits. Any unauthorized deviation from the approved drawings, exhibits, specifications, or conditions of this permit may constitute grounds for revocation and enforcement action by the Department.
3. As provided in subsections 403.087(6) and 403.722(5), F.S., the issuance of this permit does not convey any vested rights or any exclusive privileges. Neither does it authorize any injury to public or private property or any invasion of rights, nor any infringement of federal, State, or local laws or regulations. This permit is not a waiver of or approval of any other Department permit that may be required for other aspects of the total project which are not addressed in this permit.
4. This permit conveys no title to land or water, does not constitute State recognition or acknowledgment of title, and does not constitute authority for the use of submerged lands unless herein provided and the necessary title or leasehold interests have been obtained from the State. Only the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund may express State opinion as to title.
5. This permit does not relieve the permittee from liability for harm or injury to human health or welfare, animal, or plant life, or property caused by the construction or operation of this permitted source, or from penalties therefore; nor does it allow the permittee to cause pollution in contravention of Florida Statutes and Department rules, unless specifically authorized by an order from the Department.
6. The permittee shall properly operate and maintain the facility and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) that are installed and used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit, are required by Department rules. This provision includes the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit and when required by Department rules.
7. The permittee, by accepting this permit, specifically agrees to allow authorized Department personnel, upon presentation of credentials or other documents as may be required by law and at reasonable times, access to the premises where the permitted activity is located or conducted to:
 - (a) Have access to and copy any records that must be kept under conditions of the permit;
 - (b) Inspect the facility, equipment, practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
 - (c) Sample or monitor any substances or parameters at any location reasonably necessary to assure compliance with this permit or Department rules.

Reasonable time may depend on the nature of the concern being investigated.

APPENDIX 1 – General Conditions (cont.)

8. If, for any reason, the permittee does not comply with or will be unable to comply with any condition or limitation specified in this permit, the permittee shall immediately provide the Department with the following information:
- (a) A description of and cause of noncompliance; and
 - (b) The period of noncompliance, including dates and times; or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue, and steps being taken to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.

The permittee shall be responsible for any and all damages which may result and may be subject to enforcement action by the Department for penalties or for revocation of this permit.

9. In accepting this permit, the permittee understands and agrees that all records, notes, monitoring data and other information relating to the construction or operation of this permitted source which are submitted to the Department may be used by the Department as evidence in any enforcement case involving the permitted source arising under the Florida Statutes or Department rules, except where such use is prescribed by Sections 403.111 and 403.73, F.S. Such evidence shall only be used to the extent it is consistent with the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure and appropriate evidentiary rules.
10. The permittee agrees to comply with changes in Department rules and Florida Statutes after a reasonable time for compliance; provided, however, the permittee does not waive any other rights granted by Florida Statutes or Department rules.
11. This permit or a copy thereof shall be kept at the work site of the permitted activity.
12. The permittee shall comply with the following:
- (a) Upon request, the permittee shall furnish all records and plans required under Department rules. During enforcement actions, the retention period for all records will be extended automatically unless otherwise stipulated by the Department.
 - (b) The permittee shall hold at the facility or other location designated by this permit records of all monitoring information (including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation) required by the permit, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit. These materials shall be retained at least three years from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or application unless otherwise specified by Department rule.
 - (c) Records of monitoring information shall include:
 - 1) The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
 - 2) The person responsible for performing the sampling or measurements;
 - 3) The dates analyses were performed
 - 4) The person responsible for performing the analyses;
 - 5) The analytical techniques or methods used;
 - 6) The results of such analyses.

APPENDIX 1 – General Conditions (cont.)

13. When requested by the Department, the permittee shall within a reasonable time furnish any information required by law which is needed to determine compliance with the permit. If the permittee becomes aware the relevant facts were not submitted or were incorrect in the permit application or in any report to the Department, such facts or information shall be corrected promptly.

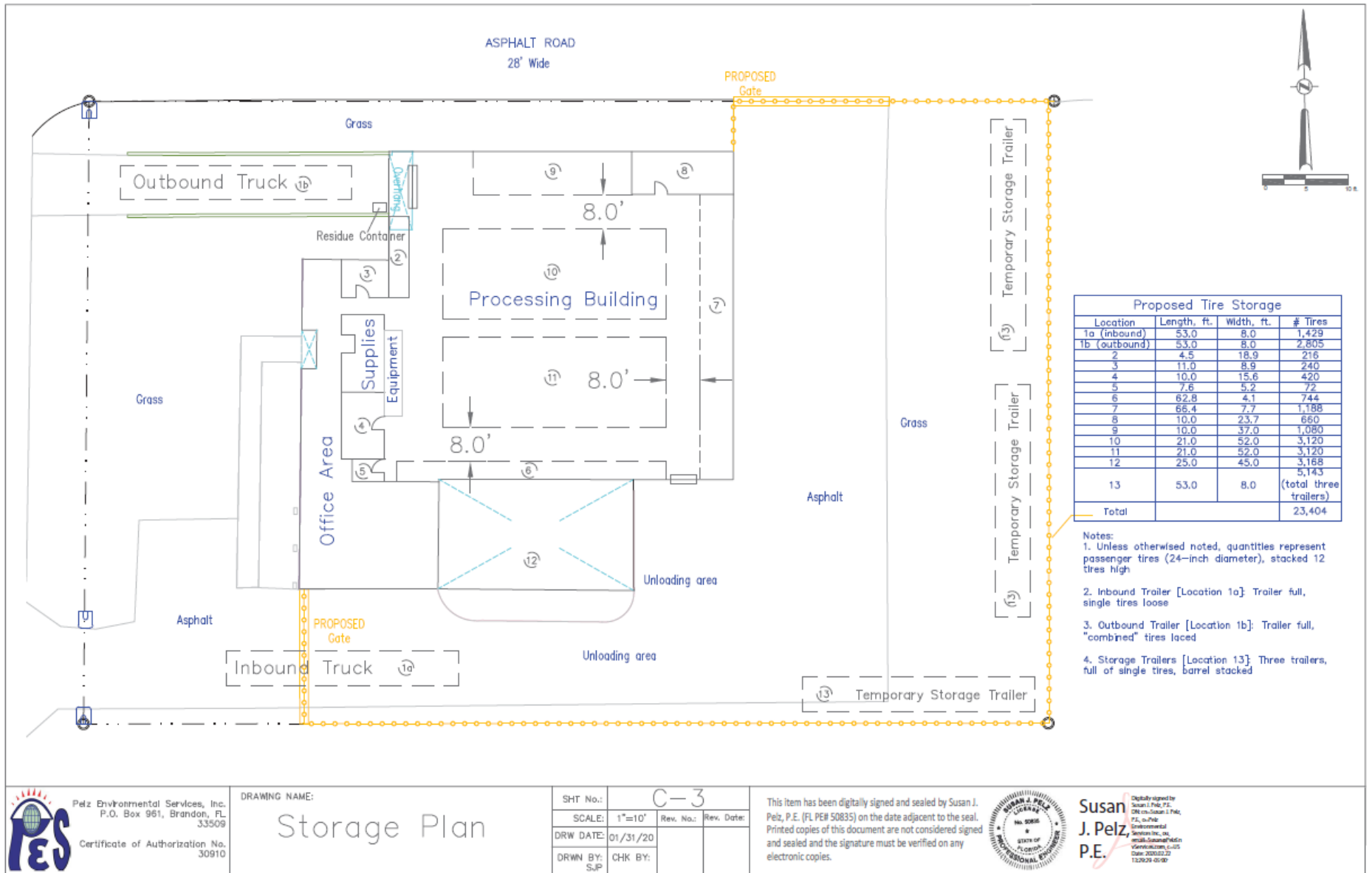
APPENDIX 2 – Approved Application Documents

1. Waste Tire Processing Facility Permit Application (DEP Form No. 62-701.900(23), dated and received March 1, 2020 (application fee received March 9, 2020), prepared by Pelz Environmental Services, Inc., as revised, replaced or amended by information received June 26, 2020, October 5, 2020, and June 16, 2021. This information includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. Engineering Report [ref. Eng. Report], dated February 2020 (received March 1, 2020)
 - b. Operation Plan (Appendix A) [ref. Op. Plan], dated February 2020 (received March 1, 2020)
 - c. Contingency Plan/Emergency Preparedness Plan [ref. Op. Plan, Sec. 4], received March 1, 2020
 - d. Storage Plan (Appendix B, Sheet C-3) [ref. Storage Plan], dated January 31, 2020 (received March 1, 2020)

ATTACHMENT 1 – Time Sensitive Action Chart

Specific Condition	Submittal Due Date	Required
2.A.3	No later than 61 days prior to the date of permit expiration	Submit permit renewal application
2.C.10	No later than the 20 th of the month following the close of each calendar quarter	Submit the quarterly waste report
2.C.11	With the next quarterly report following the fire safety survey	Submit the survey report
2.G.1 & 2.G.2	Annually At least 60 days prior to the anniversary date of the financial assurance mechanism	Submit proof of funding Submit revised cost estimates

ATTACHMENT 2 – Storage Plan



Proposed Tire Storage			
Location	Length, ft.	Width, ft.	# Tires
1a (inbound)	53.0	8.0	1,429
1b (outbound)	53.0	8.0	2,805
2	4.5	18.9	216
3	11.0	8.9	240
4	10.0	15.6	420
5	7.6	5.2	72
6	62.8	4.1	744
7	66.4	7.7	1,188
8	10.0	23.7	660
9	10.0	37.0	1,080
10	21.0	52.0	3,120
11	21.0	52.0	3,120
12	25.0	45.0	3,168
13	53.0	8.0	(total three trailers) 5,143
Total			23,404

- Notes:
- Unless otherwise noted, quantities represent passenger tires (24-inch diameter), stacked 12 tires high
 - Inbound Trailer [Location 1a]: Trailer full, single tires loose
 - Outbound Trailer [Location 1b]: Trailer full, "combined" tires laced
 - Storage Trailers [Location 13]: Three trailers, full of single tires, barrel stacked

Pelz Environmental Services, Inc.
 P.O. Box 961, Brandon, FL 33509
 Certificate of Authorization No. 30910

DRAWING NAME:		SHT No.:		C-3	
Storage Plan		SCALE:	1"=10'	Rev. No.:	Rev. Date:
DRW DATE:	01/31/20	DRW BY:	SJP	CHK BY:	

This item has been digitally signed and sealed by Susan J. Pelz, P.E. (FL PE# 50835) on the date adjacent to the seal. Printed copies of this document are not considered signed and sealed and the signature must be verified on any electronic copies.



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Susan J. Pelz, P.E.