

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2018-13ML**

**JULY 16, 2018**

**I. NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TREATED WASTEWATER INTO WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA**

NPDES permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

An antidegradation analysis is conducted, as applicable, for new or expanded point source discharges that are proposed. The analysis evaluates whether allowing lower water quality is necessary to accommodate important economic or social development in the area in which the waters are located. In all cases, existing instream water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect the existing use is maintained and protected.

All municipalities must be in compliance with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Service Delivery Strategy in order to receive a permit.

Having reviewed such applications, the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is considering the issuance of NPDES permits to the following applicants, subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions.

**NPDES PERMIT NEW**

**Forsyth County**

Georgia Stone Products, LLC, P.O. Box 13527, Roanoke, Virginia 24035, NPDES Permit No. GA0050276, for its quartzite mining facility located at 4870 Leland Drive, Cumming, Georgia 30041, Forsyth County. Approximately 0.23 MGD of quarry pit pump out, process water, and stormwater is discharged to unnamed tributaries to Six Mile Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

**Wilkinson County**

Active Minerals International, LLC, 121 Old Milledgeville Road Gordon, Georgia 31031, NPDES Permit No. GA0050279, for its Kaolin mines located at Nichols Farmer Road (001), ¼ mile north of the AMI plant site (002), and East of White Springs Road (CR54) about 1 mile north of Asbury Church Road (CR185) (003) Gordon, Georgia 31031 in Wilkinson County. A maximum of 48.02 MGD of stormwater runoff is discharged to an unnamed tributary to Commissioner Creek (001), an unnamed tributary to an unnamed tributary to Commissioner Creek (002) and an unnamed tributary to an unnamed tributary to Clear Creek (003) in the Oconee River Basin.

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**NPDES PERMIT REISSUANCE**

**Bartow County**

Chemical Products Corporation, P.O. Box 2470, Cartersville, Georgia 30120, NPDES Permit No. GA0000281 for inorganic chemicals manufacturing facility located at 102 Old Mill Road, Cartersville, Georgia 30120, in Bartow County. Approximately 2.394 MGD of wastewater from the manufacturing of barium chemicals, barium metaborate, calcium chemicals, ammonium polythiomolybdate; boiler blowdown, and commingled stormwater (001) and 0.110 MGD of non-contact cooling water, recycled cooling water, and commingled stormwater (002) is discharged to the Etowah River (001) and an unnamed tributary to the Etowah River (002) in the Coosa River Basin.

**Chatham County**

Solenis, LLC, 3000 Louisville Road, Savannah, Georgia 31415, NPDES Permit No. GA0026867, for its chemical manufacturing facility located at 3000 Louisville Road, Savannah, Georgia 31415 in Chatham County. An average of 5.5 MGD of non-contact cooling water, freeze protection/ fire pump testing wastewater, and stormwater is discharged to the Dundee Canal in the Savannah River Basin.

**Forsyth County**

Buford Trout Hatchery, 3204 Trout Place Road Cumming, Georgia 30041, NPDES Permit No. GA0026174, for its trout hatchery located at 3204 Trout Place Road Cumming, Georgia 30041 in Forsyth County. Approximately 6.033 MGD of raceway cleaning flow, flow-through water, and backflush water is discharged to the Chattahoochee River in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

**Thomas County**

Oil-Dri Corporation of Georgia, P.O. Box 200-A, Ochlocknee, Georgia 31773, NPDES Permit No. GA0047511, for its Fuller's Earth mining and processing facility located at 28990 Georgia Highway 3 North, Ochlocknee, Georgia 31773, in Thomas County. Approximately 1.5763 MGD of plant process water is discharged to Horse Creek (010) in the Ochlockonee River Basin.

**NPDES PERMIT TERMINATION**

**Forsyth County**

Bluegrass Materials Company, LLC, 2015 Ronald Reagan Boulevard, Cumming, Georgia 30041, NPDES Permit No. GA0046850, for quarry operations located at 2015 Ronald Reagan Boulevard, Cumming, Georgia 30041, in Forsyth County. Bluegrass Materials Company, LLC Cumming Quarry has requested coverage under the Mining and Processing General Permit. NPDES Permit No. GA0046850 is no longer necessary.

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**II. NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PERMITS TO DISCHARGE WASTEWATER TO A PUBLICLY OWNED TREATMENT WORKS.**

Industrial Pretreatment permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

**INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PERMIT REISSUANCE**

**Chatham County**

Howard Sheppard, Inc., P.O. Box 797, Sandersville, Georgia 31082, Permit No. GAP050252, for its Trucking Warehouse located at 5527 Export Boulevard, Garden City, Georgia 31408. A maximum of 0.010 MGD of truck tank wash water is discharged to the City of Garden City Water Pollution Control Plant in the Savannah River Basin.

**Crisp County**

Stella-Jones Corporation, 3500 Pateville Road, Cordele, GA 31015, Permit No. GAP050287, for its process wastewater from the wood treatment facility. The facility is located at 3500 Pateville Road, Cordele, Crisp County, GA. Approximately 1,800 gallons per day of process wastewater is discharged to the City of Cordele's WPCP in the Flint River Basin.

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Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations are invited to submit same in writing to the EPD address below or via e-mail at [EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov), no later than August 15, 2018. Please use the words "Public Notice No. 2018-13ML" and the name of the subject facility that you are commenting on in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff. All comments received prior to or on that date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. In the case of the permits which are on this notice for proposed modification, only those conditions -subject to modification are open to public comment. In the case of the Industrial Pretreatment Program Approvals and Modifications comments are to be submitted to EPD no later than August 30, 2018. A public hearing may be requested or additional information regarding public hearing procedures is available by writing the EPD at the address noted below.

A fact sheet or copy of draft permits are available by writing the Environmental Protection Division. The permit application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are available for review at 2 MLK Jr. Dr. S.W., 1152 East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. For additional information contact: Audra Dickson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-1511. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.

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**Notice of Application for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit to Discharge Treated Wastewater Into Waters of the State of Georgia.**

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division has received a new NPDES permit application for the issuance of a new NPDES permit. Having reviewed such application, the Environmental Protection Division proposes to issue for a maximum term of five years the following permit subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions:

**KEMRON Environmental Services, Inc., 1184 Main Street, Talmo, Georgia 30575, NPDES Permit No. GA0050277, for the Former Agri-Cycle Pond Closure Project located in Talmo, Jackson County, Georgia. Approximately 2.0 MGD of treated wastewater from the fluids treatment system is discharged to Allen Creek (001, 002, and 003) in the Oconee River Basin.**

EPD will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on August 22, 2018. The hearing will be held at the Jackson County Administration Building Auditorium located at 67 Athens Street, Jefferson, Georgia, 30549. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments on the draft NPDES permit for Former Agri-Cycle Pond Closure Project.

The public hearing is a formal process to receive comments on the draft permit. Participants who wish to comment for the record are requested to sign in upon arrival. Hearing participants will not be subject to questions from the audience, but may be questioned by the Hearing Officer for clarification of technical points or to develop a better understanding of statements. Questions asked by participants making statements will be answered by EPD in writing at a later date. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature should be submitted in writing for the official record. During the hearing, oral statements shall be limited to three (3) minutes to allow everyone an opportunity to be heard. Comments should be confined to water quality issues as they relate to the draft permit.

Written comments are welcomed. To ensure their consideration, written comments should be received by close of business on **August 24, 2018**. Please address written comments to the address listed below, or via e-mail at [EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov) . If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include the words "NPDES permit issuance – Former Agri-Cycle Pond Closure Project (Jackson County)" in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff. The permit application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are available for review at 2 MLK Jr. Drive, Suite 1152E, Atlanta, GA 30334, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSAL FOR REISSUANCE OF A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES FROM SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS (MS4s) AT MILITARY FACILITIES TO THE WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA.**

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is considering the reissuance of General NPDES Permit No. GAG480000 authorizing storm water discharges from Phase II small MS4s at military facilities to the waters of the State of Georgia. Coverage under this permit will be achieved by submittal of a Notice of Intent (NOI). A stormwater management program summarizing the procedures to be used by the permittee to reduce pollutants to the maximum extent practicable will be submitted by each permittee.

The proposed NPDES permit will authorize the discharge of stormwater from the MS4s to waters of the State. The NPDES permit will be valid for a maximum period of five years. The draft permit and other information are available for review on the EPD website under [epd.georgia.gov/storm-water](http://epd.georgia.gov/storm-water) or by writing EPD. The draft permit and other information also are available for review at:

**Georgia Department of Natural Resources  
Environmental Protection Division  
Watershed Protection Branch  
NonPoint Source Program  
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 1152 East  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334**

The materials are available between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, (except official State holidays).

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed permit are invited to submit their comments in writing to the EPD address above by close of business on September 5, 2018. All comments received before or on that date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations for this permit. "Draft NPDES Permit GAG480000" should be placed at the top of the first page of comments.

Comments may also be e-mailed to [EPDComments@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:EPDComments@dnr.ga.gov). If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include the words "Draft NPDES Permit GAG480000" in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff.

A public meeting has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on August 29, 2018 at EPD's Training Room at 4244 International Parkway, Suite 114, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. A public hearing will be held at the same location, immediately following the public meeting. The purpose of the public hearing will be to present and receive formal comments on the proposed permit for the official record. Additional information regarding public hearing procedures is available by writing EPD. Participants at the public hearing will be requested to register upon arrival if they intend to give oral or written statements. At the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, or comment, either orally or in writing. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to

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five minutes in order to allow everyone an opportunity to be heard. Lengthy or technically complex statements should also be submitted in writing for the official record.

For additional information contact: Cameron Wolfe, Unit Manager, Stormwater Unit, NonPoint Source Program, at 404/651- 8511.

Please bring this to the attention of persons who you know will be interested in the matter.