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The Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has reviewed applications and is considering the issuance, modification, or termination of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), Land Application System (LAS), and/or Pretreatment permits, Sludge Management Plans, and/or Industrial Pretreatment Programs to the following applicants, subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions.

NPDES, LAS, and Pretreatment permits are valid for a maximum of five years. A new application must be submitted 180 days prior to the expiration date of the existing permit, evaluated by EPD, and the draft permit be placed on public noticed for a prescribed period of time.

For proposed new or expanded NPDES point source discharge permits, an antidegradation analysis is conducted. 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 designated use is maintained and protected.

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

EPD issues permits in compliance with the governing regulations and is not involved in local zoning, land use, or property value issues. The issuance or modification of a permit, plan or program does not authorize the facility to violate local ordinances. Please contact your local county or municipal officials for questions or concerns on these issues.

Individual draft permits, applications, supporting documents, and fact sheets are available on EPD's website accessible through the publicly available Georgia EPD Online System (GEOS). A direct link to the draft permit and fact sheet is listed below the individual notice.

For General permits, the draft permit, notice of intent, fact sheet, and supporting documents are accessible through the EPD Watershed Protection Branch Permit and Public Comments Clearinghouse website at the following address: <https://epd.georgia.gov/forms-and-permits/watershed-protection-branch-forms-permits/watershed-protection-branch-permit-and>

For Industrial Pretreatment Programs, new or modified program documents may be available on EPD's website accessible through the Watershed Protection Branch Permit and Public Comments Clearinghouse website at the following address: <https://epd.georgia.gov/forms-and-permits/watershed-protection-branch-forms-permits/watershed-protection-branch-permit-and>

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Directions on how to comment on a proposed action, comment deadlines, and obtain copies of permit files

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed permit determinations are invited to submit same in writing to the EPD address below or via e-mail at **EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov**, no later than **July 16, 2025** (30-day notice period). In the case of Industrial Pretreatment Program Approvals and Modifications, comments are to be submitted to EPD no later than **July 31, 2025** (45-day notice period). Please use the words “**Public Notice No. 2025-11ML**” 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. A public hearing may be requested or additional information regarding public hearing procedures is available by writing to the EPD at 2 MLK Jr. Dr., 1470A East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

If the direct hyperlink provided is not functional, the permit application, supporting documents, fact sheet, and draft permit are available on EPD’s website, GEOS at the below address and specific directions to locate the documents can be found at the end of this notice document.

[Public Notice GEOS Instructions Directions to Access the Georgia EPD Online System July 2020.pdf](#)

<https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public/GovEnt/Shared/Pages/Main/Login.aspx>

For additional wastewater permitting information, or information regarding industrial, UIC, CAFO, or pretreatment please contact Kelli-Ann Schrage, Wastewater Program Manager, at **kelli-ann.schrage@dnr.ga.gov**

For additional information regarding municipal, domestic wastewater, septage, pesticide, or GEFA please contact Benoit Causse, Municipal Permitting Manager, at **benoit.causse@dnr.ga.gov**

Please bring or attach this notice to the attention of interested persons.

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Bryan County

EPD Notice Type: Pretreatment Permit Issuance

Permit No.: GAP050374

Facility Name: HL-GA Battery Company LLC

Mailing Address: 1 LG Road, Ellabell, Georgia 31308

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River Basin: Ogeechee

Receiving Waters: North Bryan Water Reclamation Facility

Description: The facility is a rechargeable battery manufacturing facility which will discharge a maximum of 0.425 MGD of RO concentrate, non-contact cooling water, boiler blowdown, and sanitary wastewater.

GEOS Submittal ID: 902761

GEOS Hyperlink:

https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public/EnSuite/Shared/pages/util/StreamDoc.ashx?id=1146225&type=PERMIT_FILLED_OBJECT

EPD will hold a public hearing at **7:00 p.m. on July 16, 2025**. The hearing will be held at the **Bryan County Elementary School** located at **250 Payne Drive, Pembroke, Georgia 31321**. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments on the draft pretreatment permit for HL-GA Battery Company LLC.

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.

Written comments are welcomed. To ensure their consideration, written comments should be received by close of business on **July 18, 2025**. All comments received prior to or on that date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. Please address written comments to the EPD address below, or via e-mail at EPD.comments@dnr.ga.gov. If you choose to email your comments, please be sure to include the words “Pretreatment Permit Issuance – HL-GA Battery Company LLC” in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff.

Bryan County

EPD Notice Type: Pretreatment Permit Issuance

Permit No.: GAP050365

Facility Name: Hyundai Motor Group Metaplant America LLC

Mailing Address: 1500 Genesis Drive, Ellabell, Georgia 31308

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River Basin: Ogeechee

Receiving Waters: North Bryan Water Reclamation Facility

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Description: The facility is a car manufacturing facility which will discharge a maximum of 0.425 MGD of metal finishing process wastewater, vehicle wash water, non-contact cooling water, sanitary wastewater, and stormwater.

GEOS Submittal ID: 780091

GEOS Hyperlink:

https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public/EnSuite/Shared/pages/util/StreamDoc.ashx?id=1146224&type=PERMIT_FILLED_OBJECT

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Effingham County

EPD Notice Type: NPDES Permit Termination

Permit No.: GA0050354

Facility Name: Effingham County Board of Commissioners – South WRF

Mailing Address: 804 South Laurel Street, Springfield, Georgia 31329

Facility Address: 805 Low Ground Road, Guyton, Georgia 31312

River Basin: Ogeechee

Receiving Water: Ogeechee River

Description: A permit to allow the County to discharge up to 1.6 MGD of treated domestic wastewater to the Ogeechee River, to land apply up to 0.272 MGD of treated domestic wastewater on a dedicated site and distribute treated domestic wastewater to reuse customers was issued on May 28, 2025. The permit is being terminated to address procedural deficiencies during the permit issuance process.

GEOS Submittal ID: 932338

GEOS Hyperlink:

<https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Agency/EnSuite/Shared/Pages/util/StreamDoc.ashx?id=293813&type=attachment>

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Effingham County

EPD Notice Type: NPDES Permit Issuance

Permit No.: GA0050361

Facility Name: Effingham County Board of Commissioners - South Water Reclamation Facility

Mailing Address: 804 South Laurel Street, Springfield, Georgia 31329

Facility Address: 805 Low Ground Road, Guyton, Georgia 31312

River Basin: Ogeechee River Basin

Receiving Water: Ogeechee River

Description: This is an issuance of a new NPDES permit for the South WRF for a discharge of up to 1.6 MGD to Ogeechee River. The permit also includes effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the land application of up to 0.272 MGD on a dedicated site in Effingham County and the distribution of treated domestic wastewater to reuse customers. The permittee is currently permitted to land apply up to 0.272 MGD on a dedicated site and to distribute up to 1.0 MGD of treated domestic wastewater to reuse customers under LAS Permit No. GAJ020016. This permit will be terminated upon authorization to operate under NPDES Permit No. GA0050361.

GEOS Submittal ID: 933727

GEOS Hyperlink:

https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Agency/EnSuite/Shared/pages/util/StreamDoc.ashx?id=1146538&type=PERMIT_FILLED_PDF

Turner County

EPD Notice Type: NPDES General Permit Notice of Coverage and modified Nutrient Management Plan Approval

Permit No.: GAG930074

Facility Name: Turnridge Dairy

Mailing Address: P. O. Box 508, Quitman, GA 31643

Facility Address: 1710 Crawford Rd, Rebecca, Georgia 31783

River Basin: Suwannee

Receiving Water: Emergency discharge from Outfall 001 (31.786062, -83.536651) to the Snapfinger Creek in the Suwannee River basin.

Description: The general permit authorizes categories of applicants to discharge process wastewater from Animal Feeding Operations to waters of the State, and to land-apply wastewater under an approved Nutrient Management Plan.

GEOS Submittal ID: 898027

GEOS Hyperlink:

https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public/EnSuite/Shared/pages/util/StreamDoc.ashx?id=1139382&type=PERMIT_FILLED_OBJECT

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Directions to Access the Georgia EPD Online System (GEOS) Public Portal

1. Navigate to the GEOS homepage:

<https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public/GovEnt/Shared/Pages/Main/Login.aspx>

2. Find the Public Inquiry Portal link in the middle of the page or navigate directly to:

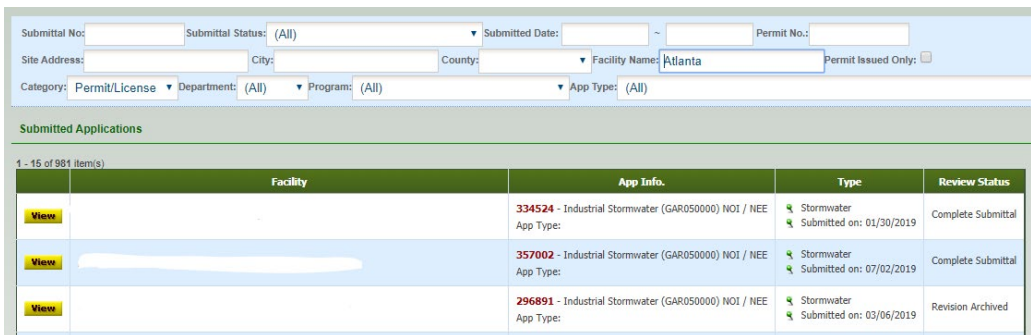
https://geos.epd.georgia.gov/GA/GEOS/Public/Client/GA_GEOS/Public/Pages/PublicApplicationList.aspx

 **Public Inquiry Portal: Search for Applications and Permits Submitted in GEOS**

3. The easiest way to locate the facility and associated documents is to only enter the GEOS submittal ID provided in the public notice.



4. If the GEOS submittal ID was not provided or it's not working, enter the site address or facility name and select "Search" to find a submittal. Note that partial search terms are allowed and encouraged when exact terms including punctuation are not precisely known. Less is more when searching in the GEOS portal. As you can see below, the search results provide the facility name, application information, application type, and the application review status.



Facility	App Info.	Type	Review Status
View	334524 - Industrial Stormwater (GAR050000) NOI / NEE App Type:	Stormwater Submitted on: 01/30/2019	Complete Submittal
View	357002 - Industrial Stormwater (GAR050000) NOI / NEE App Type:	Stormwater Submitted on: 07/02/2019	Complete Submittal
View	296891 - Industrial Stormwater (GAR050000) NOI / NEE App Type:	Stormwater Submitted on: 03/06/2019	Revision Archived

5. Selecting "View" will allow the searcher to view the submittal information, application form, attachments, and where applicable, the draft and final issued permit.