

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

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2019-09ML

MAY 15, 2019

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 REISSUANCE

Oconee County

Oconee County Board of Commissioners, P.O. Box 145, Watkinsville, Georgia 30677, NPDES Permit No. GA0050211, for the Calls Creek Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP), located at 1100 Durham Mill Way, Watkinsville, Georgia 30677. Up to 1.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Calls Creek in the Oconee River Basin.

NPDES PERMIT TERMINATION

Jasper County

Kentucky-Tennessee Clay Company/Imerys, P.O. Box 232 Gleason, Tennessee 38229, NPDES Permit No. GA0039381, for its Shady Dale Mine located at Bullard Road, Shady Dale, Georgia 31085 in Jasper County. The Shady Dale Mine has ceased discharging at this location. NPDES Permit No. GA0039381 is no longer necessary.

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II. NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A LAND APPLICATION SYSTEM PERMIT FOR THE DISPOSAL OF WASTEWATER APPLIED TO THE SURFACE OR BENEATH THE SURFACE OF LAND.

Land Application System (LAS) permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

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

LAS PERMIT REISSUANCE

Cherokee County

Reinhardt University, 7300 Reinhardt College, Waleska, Georgia 30183, LAS Permit No. GAJ020260, for the Waleska Campus Water Pollution Control Plant located at GA Highway 108, Waleska, Georgia 30183. Up to 0.036 MGD of treated wastewater is being applied on a dedicated site in Cherokee County in the Coosa River Basin.

III. NOTICE OF AN INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM

INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM – MODIFICATION

Cherokee County

Cherokee County Water and Sewerage Authority, 14938 East Cherokee Drive, Ball Ground, Georgia 30107, for substantial modifications to their industrial pretreatment program that covers Cherokee County Water and Sewerage Authority Riverbend Wastewater Treatment Plant (NPDES Permit No. GA0050242). The modification will serve to revise the Authority's local limits.

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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, no later than **June 14, 2019**. Please use the words “**Public Notice No. 2019-09ML**” 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 **June 29, 2019**. 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.