

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

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2020-04ML

FEBRUARY 28, 2020

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

Carroll County

City of Villa Rica, 571 West Bankhead Highway, Villa Rica, Georgia 30180, NPDES Permit No. GA0027162, for the West Water Pollution Control Plant located at 185 Barber Industrial Court, Villa Rica, Georgia 30180. Up to 2.15 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Little Tallapoosa Creek in the Tallapoosa River Basin.

Chatham County

Garden Acres Estates, 1105 South Rogers Street, Pooler, GA 31322, NPDES Permit No. GA0049506, for the Garden Acres Estates Water Pollution Control Plant located at Arbor Way, Pooler, Georgia 31322. Up to 0.05 MGD (monthly average) of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Hardin Canal in the Ogeechee River Basin.

Cobb County

Caraustar Mill Group, Inc., P.O. Box 157, Austell, Georgia 30168, NPDES Permit No. GA0001911, for its Austell boxboard facility located at 3400 Joe Jerkins Blvd., Austell, Georgia 30106 in Cobb County. An average of 0.213 MGD of non-contact cooling water, non-contact seal water, and commingled stormwater is discharged to Sweetwater Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

Jackson County

City of Jefferson, 147 Athens Street, Jefferson, Georgia 30549, NPDES Permit No. GA0023132, for the Central City Water Pollution Control Plant at 775 Peachtree Road, Jefferson, Georgia 30549. Up to 1.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Curry Creek in the Oconee River Basin.

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Macon County

City of Marshallville, 111 Main St., P.O. Box 83, Marshallville, GA 31057, NPDES Permit No. GA0047431, for the Marshallville Water Pollution Control Plant located at 504 South St., Marshallville, Georgia 31057. Up to 0.12 MGD (monthly average) of treated wastewater is being discharged to an unnamed tributary of Spring Hill Creek in the Flint River Basin.

Rabun County

Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority, 1650 Yorkhouse Road, Rabun Gap, Georgia 30568, NPDES Permit No. GA0039152, for the Rabun County Water Reclamation Facility located at 1650 Yorkhouse Road, Rabun Gap, Georgia 30568. Up to 0.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Little Tennessee River in the Tennessee River Basin. The draft permit also includes effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the expanded flows of 1.0 MGD, 1.5 MGD, and 2.0 MGD.

NPDES PERMIT MODIFICATION

Gwinnett County

Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources, 684 Winder Highway, Lawrenceville, GA 30045, NPDES Permit No. GA0047911, for the Yellow River Water Reclamation Facility located at 858 Tom Smith Road, Lilburn, Georgia 30047. The permit is being modified to remove copper effluent monitoring and instream hardness monitoring.

Jackson County

Jackson County Water and Sewer Authority, Post Office Box 869, Jefferson, GA 30549, NPDES Permit No. GA0002712, for the Middle Oconee Water Pollution Control Plant located at 2359 Winder Highway, Jefferson, Georgia 30549. The permit is being modified to replace the effluent limitations and monitoring requirements at a flow of 0.5 MGD with those at a flow of 0.8 MGD, based on the rerating of the plant. The modified permit also includes effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for a future expanded flow of 1.25 MGD.

Thomas County

City of Thomasville, 111 Victoria Place, Post Office Box 1540, Thomasville, GA 31799, NPDES Permit No. GA0024082, for the Oquina Creek Water Pollution Control Plant located at 2299 County Line Road, Thomasville, Georgia 31792. The permit is being modified to remove effluent monitoring for bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate since there is no potential to cause or contribute to a water quality standards violation in the receiving stream.

NPDES PERMIT TERMINATION

Warren County

Midsouth Paving, Inc. "dba Midsouth Aggregates" and Oldcastle Company, 500 Riverhills Business Park, Suite 590, Birmingham, Alabama 35242, NPDES Permit No. GA0039250, for its crushed and broken granite mining and quarrying facility located at 75 Gheesling Road, Camak, Warren County, Georgia 30807. The Midsouth Aggregates – Warren County Quarry facility has requested coverage under the General Permit for Mining and Processing Facilities (No. GAG300000). NPDES Permit No. GA0039250 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

Georgia Southern University - Division of Facilities Services, P.O. Box 8012, Statesboro, Georgia 30460, Pretreatment Permit No. GAP050302, for its pulp and paper research facility located at Herty Advanced Materials Development Center, 110 Brampton Road, Savannah, Georgia 31408 in Chatham County. A maximum of 0.196 MGD of pretreated pulp and paper process wastewater commingled with sanitary wastewater is discharged to the Garden City Water Pollution Control Plant's sewerage system in the Savannah River Basin.

Qualawash Holdings, LLC, 45 Sonny Perdue Drive, Garden City, Georgia 31408, Pretreatment Permit No. GAP050300, for its tank trucks and ISO containers cleaning facility located at 45 Sonny Perdue Drive, Garden City, Georgia 31408 in Chatham County. A maximum of 0.050 MGD of transportation equipment cleaning (TEC) process wastewater is discharged to the Garden City Water Pollution Control Plant's sewerage system in the Savannah River Basin.

III. 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

Laurens County

City of East Dublin, 116 Savannah Ave., East Dublin, Georgia 31027, LAS Permit No. GAJ020270, for the East Dublin Water Pollution Control Plant located at 106 Holmes Dr., East Dublin, Georgia 31027. Up to 0.75 MGD of treated wastewater is being land applied on a dedicated site in Laurens County in the Oconee River Basin.

Rockdale County

Rockdale County Public Schools, 1062 Northwest Street, Conyers, Georgia 30012, LAS Permit No. GAJ030711, for the General Ray Davis Middle School Water Pollution Control Plant located at 3375 East Fairview Road, Stockbridge, Georgia 30281. Up to 0.0264 MGD of treated wastewater is being land applied on a dedicated site in Rockdale County in the Ocmulgee River Basin. Furthermore, the permit has been modified to include language for an approved Sludge Management Plan to deliver sludge to a third party for further treatment and ultimate disposal.

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IV. NOTICE OF AN INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM

INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM – APPROVAL

Forsyth County

Forsyth County, 110 E. Main Street Suite 150, Cumming, Georgia 30040, for approval of the proposed industrial pretreatment program covering the Fowler WRF (GA0038695) and Shakerag WRF (GA0038954). The proposed pretreatment program will provide for the administration and enforcement of pretreatment standards for industrial users of the publicly owned treatment works.

INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM – MODIFICATION

Chatham County

City of Savannah, P.O. Box 1027, Savannah, Georgia 31402, for substantial modifications to its industrial pretreatment program covering the Crossroads Water Pollution Control Plant (GA0038326) and the President Street Water Reclamation Facility (GA0025348). This modification will serve to revise the City of Savannah's local limits.

V. NOTICE OF INTENT FOR COVERAGE UNDER THE GENERAL NPDES PERMIT FOR FILTER BACKWASH DISCHARGES (GAG640000)

Polk County

Polk County Water, Sewage & Solid Waste Authority, 1381 Rockmart Highway, Cedartown, Georgia 30125, for its Mulco and Ammons Water Treatment Plant located at 940 Youngs Farm Road, Cedartown, Georgia, 30125 (Polk County).

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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 **March 30, 2020**. Please use the words “**Public Notice No. 2020-04ML**” 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 **April 14, 2020**. 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.