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
PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2021–24ML             DECEMBER 31, 2021

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 January 31, 2022 (30-day notice period). In the case of Industrial Pretreatment Program Approvals and Modifications, comments are to be submitted to EPD no later than February 15, 2022 (45-day notice period). Please use the words “Public Notice No. 2021-24ML” 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. S.W., 1152 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.

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

For additional wastewater permitting information, please contact Audra Dickson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-1511 or at audra.dickson@dnr.ga.gov

For additional information regarding industrial, UIC, CAFO, or pretreatment please contact Whitney Fenwick, Industrial Permitting Manager, at whitney.fenwick@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

If you are having trouble locating documents using the online portal, GEOS, please contact Connie Coleman, Watershed Data Manager, at connie.coleman@dnr.ga.gov

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

EPD Notice Type: NPDES Permit Modification
Permit No.: GA0038954
Facility Names: Fowler & Shakerag WPCPs
Mailing Address: 110 East Main Street, Suite 150, Cumming, Georgia, 30040
Facility Addresses: Fowler Water Reclamation Facility-4050 Carolene Way, Cumming Georgia 30040 & Shakerag Water Reclamation Facility-545 Kemp Road, Suwanee, Georgia 30024
River Basin: Chattahoochee
Receiving Water: Chattahoochee River
Description: Up to 6.0 MGD (monthly average) of treated domestic wastewater is discharged to the Chattahoochee River in the Chattahoochee River Basin. The permit is being modified to include effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the expanded flow of 10.0 MGD.
GEOS Submittal ID: 559617

Forsyth County

EPD Notice Type: NPDES Permit Modification
Permit No.: GA0038695
Facility Name: Fowler WPCP
Mailing Address: 110 East Main Street, Suite 150, Cumming, Georgia, 30040
Facility Address: 4050 Carolene Way, Cumming, Georgia, 30040
River Basin: Chattahoochee
Receiving Water: Big Creek
Description: Up to 3.13 MGD of treated domestic wastewater is discharged to Big Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin. The permit is being modified to include effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the expanded flow of 5.0 MGD.
GEOS Submittal ID: 527895
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

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.

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