PUBLIC NOTICE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2017-14ML

AUGUST 1, 2017

I. NOTICE OF 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

Fayette County

Peachtree City Water and Sewerage Authority, 1127 Highway 74 South, Peachtree City, Georgia 30269, NPDES Permit No. GA0035777 for its Larry B. Turner Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) located at 100 Aviation Way, Peachtree City, Georgia 30269 (Fayette County). Up to 1.1 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Line Creek to the Flint River Basin during the months of November through April and up to 0.7 MGD during months of May through October. Also, up to 1.1 MGD of wastewater treated to urban reuse standards can be supplied to reuse customers. Further, up to 0.9 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Flat Creek in the Flint River Basin.

Forsyth County

Settendown Public Utility, LLC, 1500 Highway 124, Auburn, Georgia 30011, NPDES Permit No. GA0038903 for its Hampton Creek Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) located at 6235 Hampton Golf Club Drive, Cumming, Georgia, 30040 (Forsyth County). 0.45 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged into Settingdown Creek in the Coosa River Basin (November 1st to April 30th only). The permit also allows for distribution of treated effluent to reuse customers.

Glynn County

Brunswick Cellulose LLC, 1400 West 9th Street, Brunswick, Georgia 31520, NPDES Permit No. GA0003654, for its pulp and paper mill located in Brunswick, Glynn County, Georgia. An average of 27 MGD of Pulp Mill process wastewater from brownstock/O₂ delignification, bleach plant, chlorine dioxide generators, pre-evaporators, concentrators, recovery boilers, bark & power boiler, de-mineralizers, cooling towers, kiln, pulp dryers, sanitary lift pumps, maintenance wastewater, and storm water is discharged to the Turtle River in the Satilla River Basin.

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Jackson County

Jackson County Water and Sewer Authority, P.O. Box 869, Jefferson, Georgia 30549, NPDES Permit No. GA0002712, for the Middle Oconee Water Pollution Control Plant located at 2359 Winder Highway, Jefferson, GA 30549. Up to 0.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Middle Oconee River in the Oconee River Basin.

Morgan County

City of Madison, 132 North Main Street, Madison, Georgia, 30650, NPDES Permit No. GA0023141, for the Southside Water Pollution Control Plant located at 1612 Four Lakes Drive, Madison, Georgia, 30650 (Morgan County). Up to 0.66 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Horse Branch in the Oconee River Basin.

City of Madison, 132 North Main Street, Madison, Georgia, 30650, NPDES Permit No. GA0023159, for the Northside Water Pollution Control Plant located at 1330 Hayes Street, Madison, Georgia, 30650 (Morgan County). Up to 0.14 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Mile Branch in the Oconee River Basin.

Pickens County

City of Jasper, 200 Burnt Mountain Road, Jasper, Georgia 30143, NPDES Permit No. GA0032204, for the City of Jasper Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located at 450 Mountview Drive, Jasper, Georgia 30143. Up to 0.80 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Polecat Creek in the Coosa River Basin.

Wayne County

City of Jesup, 162 E Cherry Street, Jesup, Georgia 31546, NPDES Permit No. GA0026000 for its Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located at 2400 North Cypress Street, Jesup, Georgia 31545 (Wayne County). Up to 2.5 MGD of treated wastewater is discharged into the Altamaha River in the Altamaha River Basin.

Wilkinson County

City of Gordon, P.O. Box 387, Gordon, Georgia 31031, NPDES Permit No. GA0020397, for the City of Gordon Water Pollution Control Plant located at 187 Paper Mill Road, Gordon, GA 31031. Up to 0.75 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Little Commissioner Creek in the Oconee River Basin.

NPDES PERMIT TERMINATION

Floyd County

International Paper – Rome Mill, 238 Mays Bridge Road SW, Rome, Georgia 30165, NPDES Permit No. GA0037788 for its wet deck storage facility located in Rome, Floyd County, Georgia. The wet deck storage facility will be covered under NPDES Permit No. GA0001104.

Lumpkin County

Vulcan Materials Company, LLC., 800 Mt. Vernon Hwy, Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30328, NPDES Permit No. GA0037508, for its granite quarry facility located in Dahlonega, Lumpkin County, Georgia. The Vulcan Materials Company, LLC – Dahlonega Quarry has requested coverage under the General Mining permit no GAG300000. NPDES Permit No. GA0037508 is no longer necessary.

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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 <u>EPDcomments @dnr.ga.gov</u>, no later than September 1, 2017. Please use the words "Public Notice No. 2017-14ML" 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 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: Jeff Larson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-1511. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.