

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2017-02 ML**

**JANUARY 20, 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**

**CHATHAM COUNTY**

City of Pooler, 100 Southwest Highway 80, Pooler, Georgia 31322, NPDES Permit No. GA0047066 for its Pooler-Bloomington Regional Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located at Winskie Road, Pooler, Georgia 31322 (Chatham County). Up to 2.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged into Hardin Canal in the Ogeechee River Basin.

**COLUMBIA COUNTY**

Columbia County Water Utility, P.O. Box 960, Grovetown, Georgia 30813, NPDES Permit No. GA0047775, for the Little River Water Pollution Control Plant located at 1130 Maple Ridge Court, Evans, GA 30809. Up to 6.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Savannah River in the Savannah River Basin. The permit contains effluent limitations for an expansion from 6.0 MGD to 12.0 MGD.

**DOUGLAS COUNTY**

Vulcan Construction Materials LLC, 800 Mt. Vernon Highway NE Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30328, NPDES Permit No. GA0000779 for its granite quarry facility located at 7620 County Line Road, Lithia Springs, Douglas County, Georgia 30122. Approximately 0.16 MGD of process wastewater and stormwater runoff is discharged into an unnamed tributary to Beaver Run Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

**FAYETTE COUNTY**

Hanson Aggregates Southeast, LLC, 2310 Parklake Drive, Suite 550, Atlanta, Georgia 30345, NPDES Permit No. GA0046060 for its granite quarry facility located at 100 Peggy Lane, Tyrone, Fayette County, Georgia 30290. Approximately 0.4 MGD of plant site runoff, stockpile runoff, and stormwater is discharged into Trickum Creek and an unnamed tributary of Trickum Creek in the Flint River Basin.

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**HABERSHAM COUNTY**

Georgia Power Company – Tallulah Falls Hydroelectric Plant, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374, NPDES Permit No. GA0004162, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at US Hwy 441 – 23 in Tallulah Falls, Habersham County, Georgia. Approximately 0.5976 MGD of non-contact cooling water is discharged to Tallulah River in the Savannah River Basin.

Georgia Power Company – Tugalo Hydroelectric Plant, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374, NPDES Permit No. GA0004189, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at US Hwy 441 – 23 in Tallulah Falls, Habersham County, Georgia. Approximately 1.296 MGD of non-contact cooling water is discharged to Tugalo River in the Savannah River Basin.

**RABUN COUNTY**

Georgia Power Company - Burton Hydroelectric Plant, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374, NPDES Permit No. GA0004146, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at US Hwy 441 – 21 in Lakemont, Rabun County, Georgia. Approximately 1.4184 MGD of non-contact cooling water is discharged to Tallulah River in the Savannah River Basin.

Georgia Power Company - Nacoochee Hydroelectric Plant, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374, NPDES Permit No. GA0004154, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at US Hwy 441 – 23 in Lakemont, Rabun County, Georgia. Approximately 0.1368 MGD of non-contact cooling water is discharged to Tallulah River /Lake Rabin in the Savannah River Basin.

Georgia Power Company – Terrora Hydroelectric Plant, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374, NPDES Permit No. GA0004171, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at US Hwy 441 – 23 in Tallulah Falls, Rabun County, Georgia. Approximately 0.3168 MGD of non-contact cooling water is discharged to Tallulah River in the Savannah River Basin.

**STEPHENS COUNTY**

Georgia Power Company – Yonah Hydroelectric Plant, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374, NPDES Permit No. GA0004197, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at Prather Bridge Road in Toccoa, Stephens County, Georgia. Approximately 1.77984 MGD of non-contact cooling water is discharged to Tugalo River in the Savannah River Basin.

**TAYLOR COUNTY**

City of Reynolds, P.O. Box 386, Reynolds, Georgia 31076, NPDES Permit No. GA0020729, for the Reynolds Water Pollution Control Plant located at 16 Morris Street, Reynolds, GA 31076. Up to 0.4 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Patsiliga Creek in the Flint River Basin.

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**TURNER COUNTY**

City of Ashburn, P. O. Box 766, Ashburn, Georgia, 31714, NPDES Permit No. GA0025852, for the City of Ashburn Airport Water Pollution Control Plant located at 410 Rockhouse Road, Ashburn, Georgia 31714. Up to 1.16 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Hat Creek in the Suwanee River Basin.

**II. LAND APPLICATION SYSTEM PERMIT REISSUANCE**

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**

**BUTTS COUNTY**

Pilot Travel Centers, LLC., 5508 Lonas Drive, Knoxville, TN 37909 LAS Permit No. GAJ030799, for its land application system located at I-75 & Exit 66 Bucksnot Road in Jackson, Georgia 30233. Up to 0.06 MGD of treated wastewater is being land applied to a site in Butts County in the Ocmulgee River Basin.

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](mailto:EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov), no later than February 21, 2017. Please use the words "Public Notice No. 2017-02 ML" 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 is 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.