

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REISSUANCE FOR NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) GENERAL PERMIT TO DISCHARGE STORM WATER DISCHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY INTO WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is modifying and reissuing the Industrial General NPDES Storm Water permit, subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions:

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) proposes to modify NPDES general permit number GAR050000, for stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity as defined in the Federal Regulations promulgated under the Federal Clean Water Act. Permittees will submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) to the EPD to be covered under this permit. The NOI will summarize the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for the facility that describes the best management practices to be used by the permittee to reduce pollutants to the maximum extent practicable. The proposed NPDES General Permit area is state-wide and is valid for five years from the effective date.

A fact sheet and copies of the draft permit are available on the EPD web site under http://epd.georgia.gov/npdes-industrial-storm-water-general-permits or by writing the Environmental Protection Division. The draft permit, comments received, and other information are available for review at:

2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, SE, Suite 1152 East, Atlanta, Georgia 30334

The materials are available between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For additional information contact:

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Persons wishing to comment on the proposed permit are invited to submit their comments in writing to the EPD address above by close of business on December 30, 2016. All comments received before or on that date will be considered for revising this permit. "Draft Industrial Storm Water General Permit GAR050000" should be placed at

the top of the first page of comments.

Comments may also be e-mailed to EPDComments@dnr.ga.gov. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include the words "Draft Industrial Storm Water General Permit GAR050000" in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff.

A public meeting has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 16, 2016, at EPD's Training Room at 4244 International Parkway, Suite 114, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. A public hearing will be held immediately following the public meeting. The purpose of the public hearing will be to present and receive formal comments on the proposed permit for the official record. Additional information regarding public hearing procedures is available by writing EPD.

Participants at the public hearing will be requested to register upon arrival if they intend to give oral or written statements. At the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, or comment, either orally or in writing. Oral statements must be concise and limited to five minutes in order to allow everyone an opportunity to be heard. Lengthy or technically complex statements must also be submitted in writing for the official record.

Please bring this to the attention of persons who you know will be interested in the matter.