

PUBLIC NOTICE
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2017-06 ML

MARCH 15, 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

BALDWIN COUNTY

Georgia Power Company – Sinclair Hydroelectric Plant, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374, NPDES Permit No. GA0004359, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at US Hwy 441 in Milledgeville, Georgia, Baldwin County. Approximately 0.384 MGD of non-contact cooling water is discharged to the Oconee River in the Oconee River Basin.

BIBB COUNTY

Armstrong World Industries, Inc., P.O. Box 4288, Macon, Georgia 31213, NPDES Permit No. GA0003077, for its ceiling products facility located in Macon, Bibb County, Georgia. Approximately 1.29 MGD of commingled process wastewater, noncontact cooling water, boiler blowdown, and stormwater is discharged to an unnamed tributary of Rocky Creek in the Ocmulgee River Basin.

COWETA COUNTY

Coweta County Water & Sewage Authority, 545 Corinth Road, Newnan, Georgia, 30265, NPDES Permit No. GA0038822, for the Coweta County - Shenandoah WRF located at 1519 Poplar Road, Newnan, Georgia 30263. 2.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the White Oak Creek to the Flint River Basin. This permit also includes provisions to allow distribution of treated effluent to reuse customers. LAS Permit GAJ030621 will be rescinded by EPD once NPDES Permit No. GA0038822 is effective.

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EFFINGHAM COUNTY

City of Springfield, P.O. Box 1, Springfield, Georgia 31329, NPDES Permit No. GA0020770 for its water reclamation facility (WRF) located at 313 Industrial Boulevard, Rincon, Georgia 31326 (Effingham County). Up to 2.5 MGD of treated wastewater is discharged into Ebenezer Creek in the Savannah River Basin. The permit also includes provisions to allow land application of treated effluent onto a dedicated site and distribution of treated effluent to reuse customers. LAS Permit GA02-037 will be rescinded by EPD once NPDES Permit No. GA0020770 is effective.

FULTON COUNTY

Fulton County Department of Public Works, 141 Pryor Street S.W., Suite 6001, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, NPDES Permit No. GA0024333 for its Big Creek Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located at 1030 Marietta Highway, Roswell, Georgia, 30075 (Fulton County). 24.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged into the Chattahoochee River in the Chattahoochee River Basin. In addition, the permit has been modified to include effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the expanded flow of 38.0 MGD.

PUTNAM COUNTY

Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority, 663 Godfrey Road, Eatonton, GA 31024, NPDES Permit No. GA0032271, for the Eastside Eatonton-Putnam Water Pollution Control Plant located at 444 Oconee Springs Road, S.E., Eatonton, GA 31024. Up to 0.55 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Rooty Creek in the Oconee River Basin.

Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority, 663 Godfrey Road, Eatonton, GA 31024, NPDES Permit No. GA0032263, for the Westside Eatonton-Putnam Water Pollution Control Plant located at 743 Monticello Highway, Eatonton, GA 31024. Up to 0.55 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to an Unnamed Tributary to the Little River in the Oconee River Basin.

Georgia Power Company – Wallace Dam Hydroelectric Plant, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374, NPDES Permit No. GA0035581, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at 140 Wallace Dam Road in Eatonton, Georgia, Putnam County. Approximately 0.99 MGD of non-contact cooling water is discharged to Lake Sinclair in the Oconee River Basin.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Imerys Clay Inc., 618 Kaolin Road Sandersville, Georgia 31082, NPDES Permit No. GA0047309, for its Kaolin quarry facility located in Sandersville, Washington County, Georgia. Approximately 8.4 MGD of pit process wastewater commingled with stormwater is discharged to an unnamed tributary to Limestone Creek in the Oconee River Basin.

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INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PERMIT

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DRT America, LLC, 100 Bull Street, Suite 200, Savannah, GA 31401, Permit No. GAP050304, for its organic chemicals, plastics and synthetic fibers facility located at Governor Treutlen Industrial Site, Rincon, GA 31326. Pretreated process wastewater, cooling tower blowdown, boiler blowdown, and stormwater is to be discharged to the City of Springfield POTW in the Savannah River Basin.

GRADY COUNTY

Koyo Bearings USA LLC, P.O. Box 2449, Cairo, GA 39828, Permit No. GAP050028, for its metal finishing facility located at 2525 Torrington Dr., Cairo, Grady County, GA 39828. Approximately 69,000 gallons per day of pretreated process wastewater is discharged to the City of Cairo's WPCP in the Ochlockonee River Basin.

TERRELL COUNTY

Tyson Farms, Inc., 514 Industrial Park Blvd., Dawson, GA 39842, Permit No. GAP050185, for its meat and poultry products facility located at 514 Industrial Park Blvd., Dawson, Terrell County, GA 39842. Approximately 200,000 gallons per day of pretreated process wastewater is discharged to the City of Dawson's POTW in the Flint 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

CAMDEN COUNTY

Kings Bay Submarine Base, 1063 USS Tennessee Avenue, Kings Bay, GA 31547, Permit No. GAJ030715 for an industrial waste treatment facility located at Building 4985 Petrel Road, Kings Bay, GA. Approximately 1.5 MGD of pretreated sanitary wastewater will be land applied to a site in the Saint Mary's River Basin.

COWETA COUNTY

Twelve Parks Sewer, LLC, 475 Swanson Road, Tyrone, Georgia 30290. LAS Permit No. GAJ040034, for its Twelve Parks land application system located at McIntosh Road, Sharpsburg, Georgia 30276. Up to 0.1 MGD of treated wastewater will be land applied to a site in Coweta County in the Flint River Basin.

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Effingham County Power, 3440 McCall Road, Rincon, Georgia 31326, LAS Permit No. GAJ010564, for its land application system located at 3440 McCall Road, Rincon, Effingham County, Georgia. Approximately 0.24 MGD of cooling water to be land applied in the Savannah 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, no later than April 14, 2017. Please use the words "Public Notice No. 2017-06 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.

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PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

Effingham County

DRT America, LLC, 100 Bull Street, Suite 200, Savannah, GA 31401, Permit No. GAP050304

EPD will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on April 18, 2017. The hearing will be held at the Effingham County Board of Commissioners Administrative Complex (Large Conference Room) located at 601 N. Laurel Street Springfield, GA 31329. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments on the draft NPDES permit for DRT America, LLC in Effingham County

The public hearing is a formal process to receive comments on the draft permit. Participants who wish to comment for the record are requested to sign in upon arrival. Hearing participants will not be subject to questions from the audience, but may be questioned by the Hearing Officer for clarification of technical points or to develop a better understanding of statements. Questions asked by participants making statements will be answered by EPD in writing at a later date and posted on the EPD website. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature should be submitted in writing for the official record. During the hearing, oral statements shall be limited to three minutes to allow everyone an opportunity to be heard. Comments should be confined to water quality issues as they relate to the draft permit.

Written comments are welcomed. To ensure their consideration, written comments should be received by close of business on Friday, April 21, 2017. Please address written comments to the address listed below, or via e-mail at EPDcomments@dnr.state.ga.us. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include the words "NPDES Permit Issuance – DRT America, LLC" in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff. The permit application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are available for review at 2 MLK Jr. Drive, Suite 1152E, Atlanta, GA 30334, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons

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