

**VPDES General Permit Regulation for Discharges from Groundwater Remediation of Contaminated Sites, Dewatering Activities of Contaminated Sites, and Hydrostatic Tests (9VAC25-120)**

**Reissuance**

**Technical Advisory Committee Meeting # 2**

**August 19, 2026, 10:00 am**

**4949-A Cox Road, Glen Allen, Virginia 23060**

**(DEQ Piedmont Regional Office, Training Room)**

- Introductions
- Review and approve minutes from May meeting
- Exempt Regulatory Process
- Review of proposed revisions
- Open Discussion
- Next Steps

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**9VAC25-120-10. Definitions.**

The words and terms used in this chapter shall have the meanings defined in the State Water Control Law and 9VAC25-31 (VPDES Permit Regulation) unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, except that for the purposes of this chapter:

"Board" means the State Water Control Board. When used outside the context of the promulgation of regulations, including regulations to establish general permits, "board" means the Department of Environmental Quality.

"Central wastewater treatment facilities" means any facility that treats (for disposal, recycling, or recovery of materials) or recycles hazardous or nonhazardous waste, hazardous or nonhazardous industrial wastewater, or used material from off-site. This includes both a facility that treats waste received from off-site exclusively, and a facility that treats waste generated on-site as well as waste received from off-site.

"Chlorinated hydrocarbon solvents" means solvents containing carbon, hydrogen, and chlorine atoms and the constituents resulting from the degradation of chlorinated hydrocarbon solvents.

"Department" or "DEQ" means the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

"Director" means the Director of the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality or an authorized representative.

"Petroleum products" means petroleum-based substances comprised of a complex blend of hydrocarbons derived from crude oil such as motor fuels, jet fuels, distillate fuel oils, residual fuel oils, lubricants, petroleum solvents, and used oils. "Petroleum products" does not include hazardous waste as defined by the Virginia Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-60).

"Total maximum daily load" or "TMDL" means a calculation of the maximum amount of a pollutant that a waterbody can receive and still meet water quality standards and an allocation of that amount to the pollutant's sources. A TMDL includes wasteload allocations (WLAs) for point source discharges, and load allocations (LAs) for nonpoint sources or natural background or both, and must include a margin of safety (MOS) and account for seasonal variations.

**9VAC25-120-15. Applicability of incorporated references based on the dates that they became effective.**

Except as noted, when a regulation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) set forth in Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) is referenced or adopted in this chapter and incorporated by reference, that regulation shall be as it exists and has been published as of July 1, 2024~~2~~; however, references to 40 CFR Part 136 are incorporated as published in the July 1, 2024, update.

**9VAC25-120-20. Purpose.**

A. This general permit regulation governs the discharge of wastewaters ~~containing from the following contaminants:~~

1. petroleum products;

2. gasoline;

3. chlorinated hydrocarbon solvents;

41 4. metals or  
42 5. ~~petroleum contaminated sites, non-petroleum contaminated sites,~~  
43 B. This general permit regulation governs the discharge of wastewaters from the following  
44 activities:

- 45 1. ~~G~~roundwater remediation discharges (pumping contaminated groundwater to  
46 ~~remove free product~~);
- 47 2. ~~D~~ewatering activities of contaminated sites; ~~the~~
- 48 3. ~~A~~quifer tests to characterize site conditions;
- 49 4. ~~H~~ydrostatic testing of natural gas storage tanks and pipelines; ~~the~~
- 50 5. ~~H~~ydrostatic testing and dewatering of petroleum storage tank systems and  
51 associated distribution equipment; ~~the~~
- 52 6. ~~H~~ydrostatic testing of water storage tanks and pipelines.
- 53 7. ~~S~~hort term projects

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55 ~~These wastewaters may be discharged from the following activities: excavation~~  
56 ~~dewatering, conducting aquifer tests to characterize site conditions, pumping~~  
57 ~~contaminated groundwater to remove free product, discharges resulting from another~~  
58 ~~petroleum product, chlorinated hydrocarbon solvent, metals or other contaminated~~  
59 ~~site cleanup, hydrostatic tests of natural gas and petroleum storage tanks or pipelines,~~  
60 ~~hydrostatic tests and dewatering of storage tanks and associated distribution~~  
61 ~~equipment, and hydrostatic tests of water storage tank systems or pipelines.~~  
62 ~~Discharges not associated with petroleum contaminated water, water contaminated by~~  
63 ~~chlorinated hydrocarbon solvents, or hydrostatic tests are not covered under this~~  
64 ~~general permit.~~

65 **9VAC25-120-50. Effective date of the permit.**

66 This general permit will become effective on March 1, 202~~8~~<sup>3</sup>. This general permit will expire on  
67 February ~~29~~<sup>28</sup>, ~~2028~~<sup>2033</sup>. This general permit is effective as to any covered owner upon  
68 compliance with all the provisions of 9VAC25-120-60.

69 **9VAC25-120-60. Authorization to discharge.**

70 A. Any owner governed by this general permit is hereby authorized to discharge to surface  
71 waters within the Commonwealth of Virginia provided that:

- 72 1. The owner submits a registration statement, if required to do so, in accordance with  
73 9VAC25-120-70, and that registration statement is accepted by the department;
- 74 2. The owner complies with the applicable effluent limitations and other requirements of  
75 9VAC25-120-80; and
- 76 3. The department has not notified the owner that the discharge is not eligible for coverage in  
77 accordance with subsection B of this section.

78 B. The department will notify an owner that the discharge is not eligible for coverage under this  
79 general permit in the event of any of the following:

- 80 1. The owner is required to obtain an individual permit in accordance with 9VAC25-31-170 B  
81 of the VPDES Permit Regulation;

82 2. The owner is proposing to discharge within five miles upstream of a public water supply  
83 intake or to state waters specifically named in other board regulations which prohibit such  
84 discharges;

85 3. The owner is proposing to discharge to surface waters where there are permitted central  
86 wastewater treatment facilities reasonably available, as determined by the department;

87 4. The discharge violates or would violate the antidegradation policy in the Water Quality  
88 Standards at 9VAC25-260-30; or

89 5. The discharge is not consistent with the assumptions and requirements of an approved  
90 TMDL.

91 C. Compliance with this general permit constitutes compliance, for purposes of enforcement,  
92 with §§ 301, 302, 306, 307, 318, 403, and 405 (a) through (b) of the federal Clean Water Act and  
93 the State Water Control Law with the exceptions stated in 9VAC25-31-60 of the VPDES Permit  
94 Regulation. Approval for coverage under this general permit does not relieve any owner of the  
95 responsibility to comply with any other applicable federal, state, or local statute, ordinance, or  
96 regulation, including compliance with the Water Withdrawal Reporting (9VAC25-200) and the  
97 Groundwater Withdrawal Regulations (9VAC25-610).

98 D. Continuation of permit coverage.

99 1. Permit coverage shall expire at the end of the applicable permit term. However, expiring  
100 permit coverages are automatically continued if the owner has submitted a complete  
101 registration statement at least 60 days prior to the expiration date of the permit, or a later  
102 submittal date established by the department, which cannot extend beyond the expiration date  
103 of the original permit. The permittee is authorized to continue to discharge until such time as  
104 the department either:

105 a. Issues coverage to the owner under this general permit; or

106 b. Notifies the owner that the discharge is not eligible for coverage under this general permit.

107 2. When the owner that was covered under the expiring or expired general permit has violated  
108 or is violating the conditions of that permit, the department may choose to do any or all of the  
109 following:

110 a. Initiate enforcement action based upon the general permit coverage that has been continued;

111 b. Issue a notice of intent to deny coverage under the amended general permit. If the general  
112 permit coverage is denied, the owner would then be required to cease the discharges authorized  
113 by the continued general permit coverage or be subject to enforcement action for discharging  
114 without a permit;

115 c. Issue an individual permit with appropriate conditions; or

116 d. Take other actions authorized by the VPDES Permit Regulation (9VAC25-31).

117 **9VAC25-120-70. Registration statement.**

118 A. Any owner seeking coverage under this general permit that is required to submit a registration  
119 statement shall submit a complete VPDES general permit registration statement in accordance  
120 with this section, which shall serve as a notice of intent for coverage under the VPDES general  
121 permit for discharges from groundwater remediation of contaminated sites, dewatering activities  
122 of contaminated sites, and hydrostatic tests.

123 B. Owners of the following types of proposed or existing discharges are not required to submit a  
124 registration statement to apply for coverage under this general permit:

125 1. Short term projects (14 consecutive calendar days or less in duration) in areas of known  
126 contamination, including:

127 a. Emergency repairs;

128 b. Dewatering projects;

129 c. Utility work and repairs ~~in areas of known contamination;~~

130 d. Tank placement or removal ~~in areas of known contamination;~~

131 e. Pilot studies or pilot tests, including aquifer tests; and

132 f. New well construction discharges of groundwater;

133 2. Hydrostatic testing of petroleum and natural gas storage tanks, pipelines, or distribution  
134 system components; and

135 3. Hydrostatic testing of water storage tanks, pipelines, or distribution system components.

136 Owners of these types of discharges are authorized to discharge under this permit immediately  
137 upon the permit's effective date of March 1, 202~~8~~3.

138 Owners shall notify the department's regional office in writing within 14 days of the completion  
139 of the discharge. The notification shall include the owner's name and address, the type of  
140 discharge that occurred, the physical location of the discharge work, and the receiving stream. If  
141 the discharge is to a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), the owner shall also notify  
142 the MS4 owner within 14 days of the completion of the discharge.

143 Owners of these types of discharges are not required to submit a notice of termination of permit  
144 coverage at the completion of the discharge.

145 C. Deadlines for submitting registration statements.

146 1. New facilities. Any owner proposing a new discharge shall submit a complete registration  
147 statement at least 30 days prior to the date planned for commencing operation of the new  
148 discharge or a later submittal date established by the department, unless exempted by  
149 subsection B of this section.

150 2. Existing facilities.

- 151 a. Any owner covered by an individual VPDES permit who is proposing to be covered by this  
152 general permit shall submit a complete registration statement at least 240 days prior to the  
153 expiration date of the individual VPDES permit.
- 154 b. Any owner that was authorized to discharge under the expiring petroleum contaminated sites,  
155 groundwater remediation, and hydrostatic tests VPDES general permit that is not exempted  
156 under subsection B of this section and that intends to continue coverage under this general permit  
157 shall submit a complete registration statement to the department at least ~~30-60~~ days prior to the  
158 expiration date of the existing permit or a later submittal established by the department.
- 159 D. Late registration statements. Registration statements will be accepted after the expiration date  
160 of the permit, but authorization to discharge will not be retroactive.
- 161 E. The required registration statement shall contain the following information:
- 162 1. Facility name and mailing address, owner name and mailing address, telephone number,  
163 and email address (if available);
  - 164 2. Facility street address (if different from mailing address) or location (if the facility location  
165 does not have a mailing address);
  - 166 3. Facility operator (local contact) name, address, telephone number, and email address (if  
167 available) if different than owner;
  - 168 4. Nature of business conducted at the facility;
  - 169 5. Type of petroleum or natural gas products, or chlorinated hydrocarbon solvents causing or  
170 that caused the contamination;
  - 171 6. Identification of activities that will result in a point source discharge from the site;
  - 172 7. Whether a site characterization report for the site has been submitted to the Department of  
173 Environmental Quality;
  - 174 8. Characterization or description of the wastewater or nature of contamination including all  
175 related analytical data;
  - 176 9. The latitude and longitude in decimal degrees (six digits - ten-thousandths place) of the  
177 discharge point and identification of the waterbody into which the discharge will occur. For  
178 linear projects, the latitude and longitude in decimal degrees (six digits - ten-thousandths  
179 place) of all the proposed discharge points along the project length and the associated  
180 waterbody for each discharge point;
  - 181 10. The frequency with which the discharge will occur (i.e., daily, monthly, continuously);
  - 182 11. An estimate of how long each discharge will last;
  - 183 12. An estimate of the total volume of wastewater to be discharged;
  - 184 13. An estimate of the average and maximum flow rate of the discharge;

185 14. A diagram of the proposed wastewater treatment system identifying the individual  
186 treatment units;

187 15. A USGS 7.5 minute topographic map or equivalent computer generated map that indicates  
188 the receiving waterbody name, the discharge point, the property boundaries, as well as springs,  
189 other surface waterbodies, drinking water wells, and public water supplies that are identified  
190 in the public record or are otherwise known to the applicant within a 1/2 mile radius of the  
191 proposed discharge or discharges;

192 16. A determination of whether the facility will discharge to an MS4. If the facility discharges  
193 to an MS4, the facility owner must notify the owner of the MS4 of the existence of the  
194 discharge information at the time of registration under this permit and include that notification  
195 with the registration statement. The notice shall include the following information: the name  
196 of the facility, a contact person and telephone number, the location of the discharge, the nature  
197 of the discharge, and the facility's VPDES general permit number;

198 17. Whether central wastewater facilities are available to the site, and if so, whether the option  
199 of discharging to the central wastewater facility has been evaluated and the results of that  
200 evaluation;

201 18. Whether the facility currently has any permit issued by the department or general permit  
202 issued as a regulation by the board, and if so, the permit number;

203 19. Any pollution complaint number or Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP) information  
204 associated with the project;

205 20. A statement as to whether the material being treated or to be discharged is certified as a  
206 hazardous waste under the Virginia Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-  
207 60);

208 21. State Corporation Commission entity identification number if the facility is required to  
209 obtain an entity identification number by law; and

210 22. The following certification:

211 "I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my  
212 direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified  
213 personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the  
214 person or persons who manage the system or those persons directly responsible for gathering  
215 the information, the information submitted is to the best of my knowledge and belief true,  
216 accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false  
217 information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations. I do  
218 also hereby grant duly authorized agents of the Department of Environmental Quality, upon  
219 presentation of credentials, permission to enter the property for the purpose of determining the  
220 suitability of the general permit."

221 F. The registration statement shall be signed in accordance with 9VAC25-31-110.

222 G. The registration statement shall be delivered by either postal or electronic mail to the DEQ  
223 regional office serving the area where the facility is located. Following notification from the

224 department of the start date for the required electronic submission of Notices of Intent to  
225 discharge forms (i.e., registration statements), as provided for in 9VAC25-31-1020, such forms  
226 submitted after that date shall be electronically submitted to the department in compliance with  
227 this section and 9VAC25-31-1020. There shall be at least a three-month notice provided between  
228 the notification from the department and the date after which such forms must be submitted  
229 electronically.

230 H. Incomplete registration statements: An incomplete registration statement for coverage under  
231 this general permit may be closed as incomplete by the department for failure to provide the  
232 required information after within 30 calendar days from the date of the department's latest written  
233 request for additional information, and a new registration statement will be required for  
234 coverage.

235 Relosed as incomplete, or withdrawn by the applicant.

236 **9VAC25-120-80. General permit.**

237 Any owner whose registration statement is accepted by the department, or that is automatically  
238 authorized to discharge under this permit, shall comply with the requirements of the general  
239 permit and be subject to all requirements of 9VAC25-31-170 B of the VPDES Permit  
240 Regulation. Not all of Part I A of the general permit will apply to every permittee. The  
241 determination of which provisions apply will be based on the type of contamination at the  
242 individual site and the nature of the waters receiving the discharge. Part I B and all of Part II  
243 apply to all permittees.

244 General Permit No.: VAG83

245 Effective Date: March 1, ~~2023~~2028

246 Expiration Date: February ~~2928~~, ~~2028~~2033

247 VPDES GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES FROM GROUNDWATER  
248 REMEDIATION OF CONTAMINATED SITES, DEWATERING ACTIVITIES OF  
249 CONTAMINATED SITES, AND HYDROSTATIC TESTS

250 AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE VIRGINIA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE  
251 ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT PROGRAM AND THE VIRGINIA STATE WATER  
252 CONTROL LAW

253 In compliance with the provisions of the Clean Water Act, as amended, the State Water Control  
254 Law and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, the owner is authorized to discharge to surface  
255 waters within the boundaries of the Commonwealth of Virginia, except to designated public  
256 water supplies where the discharge location is less than 5 miles upstream of the public water  
257 supply intake, or to waters specifically named in other board regulations which prohibit such  
258 discharges.

259 The authorized discharge shall be in accordance with the information submitted with the  
260 registration statement, this cover page, Part I - Effluent Limitations and Monitoring  
261 Requirements, and Part II - Conditions Applicable to All VPDES Permits, as set forth in this  
262 general permit.

263 If there is any conflict between the requirements of a department approved cleanup plan and this  
264 permit, the requirements of this permit shall govern.

265 Part I

266 A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS.

267 1. SHORT TERM PROJECTS.

268 The following types of short term projects (14 consecutive calendar days or less in duration)  
269 are authorized under this permit:

270 a. Emergency repairs;

271 b. Dewatering projects. Dewatering projects shall be managed to control the volume and velocity  
272 of the discharge, including peak flow rates and total volume, to minimize erosion at outlets and  
273 to minimize downstream channel and stream bank erosion;

274 c. Utility work and repairs in areas of known contamination;

275 d. Tank placement or removal in areas of known contamination;

276 e. Pilot studies or pilot tests, including aquifer tests; and

277 f. New well construction discharges of groundwater.

278 Effluent limits for short term projects correspond to the type of contamination at the project  
279 site and are given in Tables A 3 through A 6 below. The sampling frequency for these projects  
280 shall be once per discharge. Discharge monitoring reports for these projects are not required to  
281 be submitted to the department, but shall be retained by the owner for a period of at least three  
282 years from the completion date of the project.

283 Owners shall notify the department's regional office in writing within 14 days of the  
284 completion of the project discharge. The notification shall include the owner's name and  
285 address, the type of discharge that occurred, the physical location of the project work, and the  
286 receiving stream. If the discharge is to a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), the  
287 owner shall also notify the MS4 owner within 14 days of the completion of the discharge.

288 Part I

289 A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS.

290 2. DISCHARGES OF HYDROSTATIC TEST WATERS -- ALL RECEIVING WATERS.

291 During the period beginning with the permittee's coverage under this general permit and  
292 lasting until the permit's expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall  
293 ~~serial number-xxxx~~. Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified  
294 below shall be taken at the following location: outfall from the final treatment unit prior to  
295 mixing with any other waters.

296 Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

| EFFLUENT<br>CHARACTERISTICS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS    |                          | MONITORING<br>REQUIREMENTS <sup>(2)</sup> |             |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Instantaneous<br>Minimum | Instantaneous<br>Maximum | Frequency                                 | Sample Type |
| Flow (GPD)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | NA                       | NL                       | 1/discharge                               | Estimate    |
| pH (standard units)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 6.0                      | 9.0                      | 1/discharge                               | Grab        |
| Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH, mg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | NA                       | 15                       | 1/discharge                               | Grab        |
| Total Organic Carbon (TOC, mg/l)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | NA                       | NL                       | 1/discharge                               | Grab        |
| Total Residual Chlorine (TRC, mg/l) <sup>(3)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | NA                       | 0.011 <sup>(3)</sup>     | 1/discharge                               | Grab        |
| Total Suspended Solids (TSS)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | NA                       | NL                       | 1/discharge                               | Grab        |
| <p>NL = No limitation, monitoring required</p> <p>NA = Not applicable</p> <p>The equipment being tested shall be substantially free of debris, raw material, product, or other residual materials.</p> <p>The discharge flow shall be managed to control the volume and velocity of the discharge, including peak flow rates and total volume, to minimize erosion at outlets, and to minimize downstream channel and stream bank erosion.</p> <p><sup>(1)</sup>TPH is the sum of individual gasoline range organics and diesel range organics or TPH-GRO and TPH-DRO to be measured by EPA SW 846 Method 8015C (2000) or EPA SW 846 Method 8015C (2007) for gasoline and diesel range organics, or by EPA SW 846 Methods 8260B (1996) and 8270D (2014) or 8270E (2018).</p> <p><sup>(2)</sup>Discharge monitoring reports for hydrostatic test discharges are not required to be submitted to the department but shall be retained by the owner for a period of at least three years from the completion date of the hydrostatic test.</p> <p>Owners shall notify the department's regional office in writing within 14 days of the completion of the hydrostatic test discharge. The notification shall include the owner's name and address, the type of hydrostatic test that occurred, the physical location of the test work, and the receiving stream.</p> <p><sup>(3)</sup>Total residual chlorine limitation of 0.011 mg/l and chlorine monitoring only apply to discharges of test water that have been chlorinated or come from a chlorinated water supply. All data below the quantification level (QL) of 0.1 mg/L shall be reported as "&lt;QL."</p> |                          |                          |                                           |             |

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298 Part I

299 A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS.

300 3. GASOLINE CONTAMINATION -- ALL RECEIVING WATERS.

301 During the period beginning with the permittee's coverage under this general permit and  
 302 lasting until the permit's expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall  
 303 ~~serial number-xxxx~~. Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified  
 304 below shall be taken at the following location: outfall from the final treatment unit prior to  
 305 mixing with any other waters.

306 Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

| EFFLUENT<br>CHARACTERISTICS                                                                                                                                                                                 | DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS    |                          | MONITORING<br>REQUIREMENTS                                                      |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Instantaneous<br>Minimum | Instantaneous<br>Maximum | Frequency <sup>(4)</sup>                                                        | Sample<br>Type  |
| Flow (GPD)                                                                                                                                                                                                  | NA                       | NL                       | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public</u><br><u>water supply</u> | Estimate        |
| Benzene (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                               | NA                       | 5.8                      | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public</u><br><u>water supply</u> | Grab            |
| Toluene (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                               | NA                       | 43                       | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public</u><br><u>water supply</u> | Grab            |
| Ethylbenzene (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                          | NA                       | 4.3                      | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public</u><br><u>water supply</u> | Grab            |
| Total Xylenes (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                         | NA                       | 33                       | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public</u><br><u>water supply</u> | Grab            |
| MTBE (methyl tert-butyl ether)<br>(µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup><br><br><del>Freshwaters not listed as public<br/>water supplies and saltwater</del><br><br><del>Freshwaters listed as public<br/>water supply</del> | NA                       | 440 <sup>(5)</sup>       | 1/Month <sup>(4)</sup>                                                          | Grab            |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <del>NA</del>            | 15 <sup>(6)</sup>        | <u>2/Month<sup>(4)</sup> if</u><br><u>public water</u><br><u>supply</u>         | <del>Grab</del> |
| pH (standard units)                                                                                                                                                                                         | 6.0                      | 9.0                      | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public</u><br><u>water supply</u> | Grab            |
| Total Recoverable Lead (µg/l) <sup>(2)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                | NA                       | 7.2                      | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public</u><br><u>water supply</u> | Grab            |

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| Total Hardness (mg/l CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) <sup>(2)</sup>                  | NL | NA                  | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public water supply</u> | Grab |
| Ethylene Dibromide (µg/l) <sup>(2)</sup>                                 | NA | 1.9 <sup>(5)</sup>  | 1/Month <sup>(4)</sup>                                                | Grab |
| <del>Freshwaters not listed as public water supplies and saltwater</del> | NA | 0.16 <sup>(6)</sup> | 2/Month <sup>(4)</sup>                                                | Grab |
| <del>Freshwaters listed as public water supply</del>                     | NA |                     |                                                                       |      |
| 1,2 Dichloroethane (µg/l) <sup>(2)</sup>                                 | NA | 3.8                 | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public water supply</u> | Grab |
| Ethanol (µg/l) <sup>(3)</sup>                                            | NA | 4100                | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public water supply</u> | Grab |

NL = No limitation, monitoring required

NA = Not applicable

<sup>(1)</sup>Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, Total Xylenes and MTBE shall be analyzed according to a current and appropriate EPA Wastewater Method (40 CFR Part 136) or EPA SW 846 Method 8021B (2014).

<sup>(2)</sup>Monitoring for this parameter is required only when contamination results from leaded fuel. Lead shall be analyzed according to a current and appropriate EPA Wastewater Method (40 CFR Part 136). 1,2 dichloroethane and ethylene dibromide (EDB) shall be analyzed by a current and appropriate EPA SW 846 Method or EPA Wastewater Method from 40 CFR Part 136. EDB in wastewaters discharged to public water supplies shall be analyzed using EPA SW 846 Method 8011 (1992) or EPA Drinking Water Method 504.1 (1995).

<sup>(3)</sup>Monitoring for ethanol is only required for discharges of water contaminated by gasoline containing greater than 10% ethanol. Ethanol shall be analyzed according to EPA SW 846 Method 8015C (2000) or EPA SW 846 Method 8015C (2007) or EPA SW 846 Method 8260B (1996).

<sup>(4)</sup>The monitoring frequency for discharges into freshwaters not listed as public water supplies and saltwater shall be once per month. If the first 12 months of permit coverage results demonstrate full compliance with the effluent limitations, the permittee may request that the monitoring frequency for ethanol be reduced from monthly to 1/quarter. The written request shall be sent to the appropriate DEQ regional office for review. Upon written notification from the regional office, monitoring frequency may be reduced to 1/quarter. Should the permittee be issued a warning letter related to violation of effluent limitations or a notice of violation or be the subject of an active enforcement action, monitoring frequency for ethanol shall revert to 1/month upon issuance of the letter or notice or execution of the enforcement action and remain in effect until the permit's expiration date. Reports of quarterly monitoring shall be submitted to the DEQ regional office no later than the 10th day of April, July, October, and January in each year of permit coverage.

The monitoring frequency for discharges into freshwaters listed as public water supplies shall be twice per month for all constituents or parameters. If the first 12 months of permit coverage results demonstrate full compliance with the effluent limitations, the permittee may request that the monitoring frequency for ethanol be reduced to 1/quarter and the other parameters to 1/month. The written request shall be sent to the appropriate DEQ regional office for review. Upon written notification from the regional office, the monitoring frequency for ethanol may be reduced to 1/quarter and the other parameters to 1/month. Should the permittee be issued a warning letter related to violation of effluent limitations or a notice of violation or be the subject of an active enforcement action, monitoring frequency shall revert to 2/month upon issuance of the letter or notice or execution of the enforcement action and remain in effect until the permit's expiration date. Reports of quarterly monitoring shall be submitted to the DEQ regional office no later than the 10th day of April, July, October, and January in each year of permit coverage.

<sup>(5)</sup> Limit applies to discharges into freshwaters not listed as public water supplies and saltwater.

<sup>(6)</sup> Limit applies to discharges into freshwaters listed as public water supplies.

#### Part I

#### A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS.

##### 4. CONTAMINATION BY PETROLEUM PRODUCTS OTHER THAN GASOLINE -- ALL RECEIVING WATERS.

During the period beginning with the permittee's coverage under this general permit and lasting until the permit's expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall ~~serial number-xxxx~~. Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified below shall be taken at the following location: outfall from the final treatment unit prior to mixing with any other waters.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

| EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS          | DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS |                       | MONITORING REQUIREMENTS                                               |             |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                   | Instantaneous Minimum | Instantaneous Maximum | Frequency <sup>(4)</sup>                                              | Sample Type |
| Flow (GPD)                        | NA                    | NL                    | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public water supply</u> | Estimate    |
| Naphthalene (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup> | NA                    | 8.9                   | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public water supply</u> | Grab        |
|                                   |                       |                       | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u>                                          |             |

|                                                      |     |     |                                                                       |      |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (mg/l) <sup>(2)</sup>   | NA  | 15  | <u>2/Month if public water supply</u>                                 | Grab |
| pH (standard units)                                  | 6.0 | 9.0 | <u>1/Month<sup>(4)</sup></u><br><u>2/Month if public water supply</u> | Grab |
| Benzene (µg/l) <sup>(3)</sup>                        | NA  | 5.8 | 2/Month <sup>(4)</sup>                                                | Grab |
| MTBE (methyl tert-butyl ether) (µg/l) <sup>(3)</sup> | NA  | 15  | 2/Month <sup>(4)</sup>                                                | Grab |

NL = No limitation, monitoring required

NA = Not applicable

<sup>(1)</sup>Naphthalene shall be analyzed by a current and appropriate EPA Wastewater Method from 40 CFR Part 136 or a current and appropriate EPA SW 846 Method.

<sup>(2)</sup>TPH shall be analyzed using EPA SW 846 Method 8015C (2000) or EPA SW 846 Method 8015C (2007) for diesel range organics, or by EPA SW 846 Method 8270D (2014) or 8270E (2018).

<sup>(3)</sup>Monitoring for benzene and MTBE is only required for discharges into freshwaters listed as public water supplies. Benzene and MTBE shall be analyzed according to a current and appropriate EPA Wastewater Method (40 CFR Part 136) or EPA SW 846 Method.

<sup>(4)</sup>The monitoring frequency for discharges into freshwaters not listed as public water supplies and saltwater shall be once per month.

The monitoring frequency for discharges into freshwaters listed as public water supplies shall be twice per month for all constituents or parameters. If the first 12 months of permit coverage results demonstrate full compliance with the effluent limitations, the permittee may request that the monitoring frequency be reduced to once per month. The written request shall be sent to the appropriate DEQ regional office for review. Upon written notification from the regional office, the monitoring frequency for ethanol may be reduced to 1/quarter or the other parameters to 1/month. Should the permittee be issued a warning letter related to violation of effluent limitations or a notice of violation or be the subject of an active enforcement action, monitoring frequency shall revert to 2/month upon issuance of the letter or notice or execution of the enforcement action and remain in effect until the permit's expiration date.

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320 Part I

321 A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS.

322 5. CONTAMINATION BY CHLORINATED HYDROCARBON SOLVENTS -- ALL  
323 RECEIVING WATERS.

324 During the period beginning with the permittee's coverage under this general permit and  
325 lasting until the permit's expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall  
326 ~~serial number-xxxx~~. Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified

327 below shall be taken at the following location: outfall from the final treatment unit prior to  
 328 mixing with any other waters.

329 Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

| EFFLUENT<br>CHARACTERISTICS                                        | DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS    |                          | MONITORING<br>REQUIREMENTS                          |                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------|
|                                                                    | Instantaneous<br>Minimum | Instantaneous<br>Maximum | Frequency <sup>(2)</sup>                            | Sample<br>Type |
| Flow (GPD)                                                         | NA                       | NL                       | 1/Month                                             | Estimate       |
|                                                                    |                          |                          | 2/Month if<br>public water<br>supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Estimate       |
| Chloroform (CAS # 67663),<br>(µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>                 | NA                       | 60                       | 1/Month                                             | Grab           |
|                                                                    |                          |                          | 2/Month if<br>public water<br>supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab           |
| 1,1 Dichloroethane (CAS #<br>75343) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>          | NA                       | 2.4                      | 1/Month                                             | Grab           |
|                                                                    |                          |                          | 2/Month if<br>public water<br>supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab           |
| 1,2 Dichloroethane (CAS #<br>107062) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>         | NA                       | 3.8                      | 1/Month                                             | Grab           |
|                                                                    |                          |                          | 2/Month if<br>public water<br>supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab           |
| 1,1 Dichloroethylene (CAS #<br>75354) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>        | NA                       | 7.0                      | 1/Month                                             | Grab           |
|                                                                    |                          |                          | 2/Month if<br>public water<br>supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab           |
| cis-1,2 Dichloroethylene (CAS<br># 159592) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>   | NA                       | 70                       | 1/Month                                             | Grab           |
|                                                                    |                          |                          | 2/Month if<br>public water<br>supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab           |
| trans 1,2 Dichloroethylene<br>(CAS # 156605) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup> | NA                       | 100                      | 1/Month                                             | Grab           |
|                                                                    |                          |                          | 2/Month if<br>public water<br>supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab           |
|                                                                    | NA                       | 5.0                      | 1/Month                                             | Grab           |

|                                                            |    |     |                                               |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----|-----|-----------------------------------------------|------|
| Methylene Chloride (CAS # 75092) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>     |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| Tetrachloroethylene (CAS # 127184) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>   | NA | 5.0 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| 1,1,1 Trichloroethane (CAS # 71556) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>  | NA | 54  | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| 1,1,2 Trichloroethane (CAS # 79005) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>  | NA | 5.0 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| Trichloroethylene (CAS # 79016) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>      | NA | 5.0 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| Vinyl Chloride (CAS # 75014) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>         | NA | 2.0 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| Carbon Tetrachloride (CAS # 56235) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>   | NA | 2.3 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| 1,2 Dichlorobenzene (CAS # 95501) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>    | NA | 16  | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| Chlorobenzene (CAS # 108907) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>         | NA | 3.4 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| Trichlorofluoromethane (CAS # 75694) (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup> | NA | 5.0 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                            |    |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |

|                                                     |     |     |                                               |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------------------------------|------|
| Chloroethane (CAS # 75003)<br>(µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup> | NA  | 3.6 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                     |     |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |
| pH (standard units)                                 | 6.0 | 9.0 | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
|                                                     |     |     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(2)</sup> | Grab |

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NA = Not applicable

<sup>(1)</sup>This constituent shall be analyzed by a current and appropriate gas chromatograph/mass spectroscopy method from EPA SW 846 or the EPA Wastewater Method series from 40 CFR Part 136.

<sup>(2)</sup> The monitoring frequency for discharges into freshwaters not listed as public water supplies and saltwater shall be once per month.

Monitoring frequency for discharges into surface waters listed as public water supplies shall be 2/month for the first year of permit coverage. If the first 12 months of permit coverage results demonstrate full compliance with the effluent limitations, the permittee may request that the monitoring frequency be reduced from 2/month to 1/month. The written request shall be sent to the appropriate DEQ regional office for review. Upon written notification from the regional office, monitoring frequency may be reduced to 1/month. Should the permittee be issued a warning letter related to violation of effluent limitations or a notice of violation, or be the subject of an active enforcement action, monitoring frequency shall revert to 2/month upon issuance of the letter or notice or execution of the enforcement action and remain in effect until the permit's expiration date.

Part I

#### A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS.

##### 6. DEWATERING ACTIVITIES WITH CONTAMINATION BY METALS -- ALL RECEIVING WATERS.

During the period beginning with the permittee's coverage under this general permit and lasting until the permit's expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge from outfall ~~serial number-xxx~~. Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified below shall be taken at the following location: outfall from the final treatment unit prior to mixing with any other waters.

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

| EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS | DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS | MONITORING REQUIREMENTS |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|

|                                                              | Instantaneous Minimum | Instantaneous Maximum        | Frequency <sup>(3)</sup>                      | Sample Type |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Flow (GPD)                                                   | NA                    | NL                           | 1/Month                                       | Estimate    |
|                                                              |                       |                              | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Estimate    |
| Total Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> in mg/l) <sup>(2)</sup> | NA                    | NL                           | 1/Month                                       | Grab        |
|                                                              |                       |                              | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab        |
| Total Recoverable Antimony (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>             | NA                    | <u>5.6 580<sup>(4)</sup></u> | 1/Month                                       | Grab        |
|                                                              |                       | <u>5.3<sup>(5)</sup></u>     | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab        |
| Total Recoverable Arsenic (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>              | NA                    | 10                           | 1/Month                                       | Grab        |
|                                                              |                       |                              | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab        |
| Total Recoverable Cadmium (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>              | NA                    | 0.55                         | 1/Month                                       | Grab        |
|                                                              |                       |                              | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab        |
| Total Recoverable Chromium (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>             | NA                    | 11                           | 1/Month                                       | Grab        |
|                                                              |                       |                              | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab        |
| Total Recoverable Copper (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>               | NA                    | 6.6                          | 1/Month                                       | Grab        |
|                                                              |                       |                              | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab        |
| Total Recoverable Lead (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>                 | NA                    | 7.2                          | 1/Month                                       | Grab        |

|                                                  |     |                             |                                               |      |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------|
|                                                  |     |                             | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab |
|                                                  |     |                             | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
| Total Recoverable Mercury (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>  | NA  | 0.77                        | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab |
|                                                  |     |                             | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
| Total Recoverable Nickel (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>   | NA  | 15                          | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab |
|                                                  |     |                             | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
| Total Recoverable Selenium (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup> | NA  | 5.0                         | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab |
|                                                  |     |                             | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
| Total Recoverable Silver (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>   | NA  | 1.9                         | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab |
|                                                  |     | <u>0.43<sup>(4)</sup></u>   | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
| Total Recoverable Thallium (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup> | NA  | <u>0.2422<sup>(5)</sup></u> | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab |
|                                                  |     |                             | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
| Total Recoverable Zinc (µg/l) <sup>(1)</sup>     | NA  | 87                          | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab |
|                                                  |     |                             | 1/Month                                       | Grab |
| pH (standard units)                              | 6.0 | 9.0                         | 2/Month if public water supply <sup>(3)</sup> | Grab |

NL = No limitation, monitoring required

NA = Not applicable

<sup>(1)</sup>Metals shall be analyzed by a current and appropriate EPA Wastewater Method from 40 CFR Part 136.

<sup>(2)</sup>Total Hardness shall be collected concurrently with the metals.

<sup>(3)</sup>The monitoring frequency for discharges into freshwaters not listed as public water supplies and saltwater shall be once per month.

The monitoring frequency for discharges into freshwaters listed as public water supplies shall be twice per month for all constituents or parameters. If the first 12 months of permit coverage results demonstrate full compliance with the effluent limitations, the permittee may request that the monitoring frequency be reduced to once per month. The written request shall be sent to the appropriate DEQ regional office for review. Upon written notification from the regional office, the monitoring frequency for ethanol may be reduced to 1/quarter or the other parameters to 1/month. Should the permittee be issued a warning letter related to violation of effluent limitations or a notice of violation or be the subject of an active enforcement action, monitoring frequency shall revert to 2/month upon issuance of the letter or notice or execution of the enforcement action and remain in effect until the permit's expiration date.

<sup>(4)</sup> Limit applies to discharges into freshwaters not listed as public water supplies and saltwater.

<sup>(5)</sup> Limit applies to discharges into freshwaters listed as public water supplies.

Part I

B. Special conditions.

1. There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

2. The permittee shall sample each permitted outfall each calendar month in which a discharge occurs. When no discharge occurs from an outfall during a calendar month, the discharge monitoring report for that outfall shall be submitted indicating "No Discharge."

3. Operation and maintenance (O&M) manual.

a. If the permitted discharge is through a treatment works, within ~~30-180~~ days of coverage under this general permit, the permittee shall develop or review and update, as appropriate, and maintain on site, an O&M manual for the permitted facility treatment works permitted in this general permit. This O&M manual shall include detail practices and procedures and practices for the mitigation of pollutant discharges for the protection of state waters from the facility's operations and that will be followed to ensure compliance with the requirements of this permit. The manual shall address, at a minimum:

(1) O&M practices for the process wastewater treatment units, if applicable, and chemical and material storage areas;

(2) Methods for estimating process wastewater flows, if applicable;

(3) Management and disposal procedures of process wastewater solids, if applicable;

(4) Temporary and long-term facility closure plans that shall include (i) treatment, removal, and final disposition of residual wastewater, if applicable, contaminated

stormwater held at the facility, and solids; (ii) fate of structures; (iii) a removal plan for all exposed industrial materials; and (iv) description of the stabilization of land in which they were stored or placed;

(5) Testing requirements and procedures;

(6) Recordkeeping and reporting requirements; and

(7) Duties and roles of responsible officials.

b. The permittee shall operate the treatment works in accordance with the O&M manual. The O&M manual shall be reviewed and updated at least annually and shall be signed and certified in accordance with Part III K of this permit. The manual shall be made available for review by the department personnel upon request.

4. Operation schedule. The permittee shall construct, install and begin operating the treatment works described in the registration statement prior to discharging to surface waters. The permittee shall notify the department's regional office within five days after the completion of installation and commencement of operation.

5. Materials storage. Except as expressly authorized by this permit or another permit issued by the department or general permit adopted by the board, no product, materials, industrial wastes, or other wastes resulting from the purchase, sale, mining, extraction, transport, preparation, or storage of raw or intermediate materials, final product, byproduct or wastes, shall be handled, disposed of, or stored so as to permit a discharge of such product, materials, industrial wastes, or other wastes to state waters.

6. If the permittee discharges to surface waters through an MS4, the permittee shall, within 30 days of coverage under this general permit, notify the owner of the municipal separate storm sewer system in writing of the existence of the discharge and provide the following information: the name of the facility, a contact person, and telephone number, the location of the discharge, the nature of the discharge, and the facility's VPDES general permit number. A copy of such notification shall be provided to the department. Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) required to be submitted under this permit shall be submitted to both the department and the owner of the municipal separate storm sewer system.

7. Monitoring results shall be reported using the same number of significant digits as listed in the permit. Regardless of the rounding convention used by the permittee (e.g., five always rounding up or to the nearest even number), the permittee shall use the convention consistently and shall ensure that consulting laboratories employed by the permittee use the same convention.

8. The discharges authorized by this permit shall be controlled as necessary to meet applicable water quality standards.

9. Approval for coverage under this general permit does not relieve any owner of the responsibility to comply with any other federal, state, or local statute, ordinance, or regulation.

10. Discharges to waters with an approved TMDL. Owners of facilities that are a source of the specified pollutant of concern to waters where an approved TMDL has been established shall

400 implement measures and controls that are consistent with the assumptions and requirements of  
401 the TMDL.

402 11. Termination of coverage. Provided that the department agrees that the discharge covered  
403 under this general permit is no longer needed, the permittee may request termination of  
404 coverage under the general permit, for the entire facility or for specific outfalls, by submitting  
405 a request for termination of coverage. This request for termination of coverage shall be sent to  
406 the department's regional office with appropriate documentation or references to  
407 documentation already in the department's possession. Upon the permittee's receipt of the  
408 regional director's approval, coverage under this general permit will be terminated.  
409 Termination of coverage under this general permit does not relieve the permittee of  
410 responsibilities under other board regulations or department directives.

411 12. The permittee shall notify the department as soon as the permittee knows or has reason to  
412 believe:

413 a. That any activity has occurred or will occur that would result in the discharge, on a routine or  
414 frequent basis, of any toxic pollutant that is not limited in this permit if that discharge will  
415 exceed the highest of the following notification levels:

416 (1) One hundred micrograms per liter;

417 (2) Two hundred micrograms per liter for acrolein and acrylonitrile; five hundred micrograms  
418 per liter for 2,4-dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter for  
419 antimony;

420 (3) Five times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the general permit  
421 registration statement; or

422 (4) The level established by the board.

423 b. That any activity has occurred or will occur that would result in any discharge, on a  
424 nonroutine or infrequent basis, of a toxic pollutant that is not limited in this permit if that  
425 discharge will exceed the highest of the following notification levels:

426 (1) Five hundred micrograms per liter;

427 (2) One milligram per liter for antimony;

428 (3) Ten times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the general permit  
429 registration statement; or

430 (4) The level established by the board.

431 Part II

432 Conditions Applicable to All VPDES Permits

433 A. Monitoring.

434 1. Samples and measurements taken as required by this permit shall be representative of the  
435 monitored activity.

436 2. Monitoring shall be conducted according to procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136 or  
437 alternative methods approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, unless other  
438 procedures have been specified in this permit.

439 3. The permittee shall periodically calibrate and perform maintenance procedures on all  
440 monitoring and analytical instrumentation at intervals that will ensure accuracy of  
441 measurements.

442 4. Samples taken as required by this permit shall be analyzed in accordance with 1VAC30-45,  
443 Certification for Noncommercial Environmental Laboratories, or 1VAC30-46, Accreditation  
444 for Commercial Environmental Laboratories.

445 B. Records.

446 1. Records of monitoring information shall include:

- 447 a. The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
- 448 b. The individuals who performed the sampling or measurements;
- 449 c. The dates and times analyses were performed;
- 450 d. The individual who performed the analyses;
- 451 e. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
- 452 f. The results of such analyses.

453 2. Except for records of monitoring information required by this permit related to the  
454 permittee's sewage sludge use and disposal activities, which shall be retained for a period of at  
455 least five years, the permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all  
456 calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous  
457 monitoring instrumentation; copies of all reports required by this permit; and records of all  
458 data used to complete the registration statement for this permit for a period of at least three  
459 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or request for coverage. This period of  
460 retention shall be extended automatically during the course of any unresolved litigation  
461 regarding the regulated activity or regarding control standards applicable to the permittee, or  
462 as requested by the department.

463 C. Reporting monitoring results.

464 1. The permittee shall submit the results of the monitoring required by this permit not later  
465 than the 10th day of the month after monitoring takes place unless another reporting schedule  
466 is specified elsewhere in this permit. Monitoring results shall be submitted to the department's  
467 regional office.

468 2. Monitoring results shall be reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) or on forms  
469 provided, approved or specified by the department. Following notification from the  
470 department of the start date for the required electronic submission of monitoring reports, as  
471 provided for in 9VAC25-31-1020, such forms and reports submitted after that date shall be  
472 electronically submitted to the department in compliance with this section and 9VAC25-31-

1020. There shall be at least a three-month notice provided between the notification from the department and the date after which such forms and reports must be submitted electronically.

3. If the permittee monitors any pollutant specifically addressed by this permit more frequently than required by this permit using test procedures approved under 40 CFR Part 136 or using other test procedures approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or using procedures specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR or reporting form specified by the department.

4. Calculations for all limitations that require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified in this permit.

D. Duty to provide information. The permittee shall furnish to the department, within a reasonable time, any information which the department may request to determine whether cause exists for terminating this permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The department may require the permittee to furnish, upon request, such plans, specifications, and other pertinent information as may be necessary to determine the effect of the wastes from the permittee's discharge on the quality of state waters or such other information as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of the State Water Control Law. The permittee shall also furnish to the department upon request copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

E. Compliance schedule reports. Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date.

F. Unauthorized discharges. Except in compliance with this permit or another permit issued by the department or general permit adopted by the board, it shall be unlawful for any person to:

1. Discharge into state waters sewage, industrial wastes, other wastes, or any noxious or deleterious substances; or
2. Otherwise alter the physical, chemical, or biological properties of such state waters and make them detrimental to the public health, to animal or aquatic life, to the use of such waters for domestic or industrial consumption, for recreation, or for other uses.

G. Reports of unauthorized discharges. Any permittee that discharges or causes or allows a discharge of sewage, industrial waste, other wastes, or any noxious or deleterious substance into or upon state waters in violation of Part II F or that discharges or causes or allows a discharge that may reasonably be expected to enter state waters in violation of Part II F shall notify the department of the discharge immediately (see Part II I 3) upon discovery of the discharge, but in no case later than 24 hours after the discovery. A written report of the unauthorized discharge shall be submitted to the department within five days of discovery of the discharge. The written report shall contain:

1. A description of the nature and location of the discharge;
2. The cause of the discharge;
3. The date on which the discharge occurred;

512 4. The length of time that the discharge continued;  
513 5. The volume of the discharge;  
514 6. If the discharge is continuing, how long it is expected to continue;  
515 7. If the discharge is continuing, what the expected total volume of the discharge will be; and  
516 8. Any steps planned or taken to reduce, eliminate, and prevent a recurrence of the present  
517 discharge or any future discharges not authorized by this permit.

518 Discharges reportable to the department under the immediate reporting requirements of other  
519 regulations are exempted from this requirement.

520 H. Reports of unusual or extraordinary discharges. If any unusual or extraordinary discharge  
521 including a bypass or upset should occur from a treatment works and the discharge enters or  
522 could be expected to enter state waters, the permittee shall promptly notify (see Part II I 3) the  
523 department after the discovery of the discharge. This notification shall provide all available  
524 details of the incident, including any adverse effects on aquatic life and the known number of  
525 fish killed. The permittee shall reduce the report to writing and shall submit the report to the  
526 department within five days of discovery of the discharge in accordance with Part II I 1 b.  
527 Unusual and extraordinary discharges include any discharge resulting from:

528 1. Unusual spillage of materials resulting directly or indirectly from processing operations;  
529 2. Breakdown of processing or accessory equipment;  
530 3. Failure or taking out of service some or all of the treatment works; and  
531 4. Flooding or other acts of nature.

532 I. Reports of noncompliance.

533 1. The permittee shall report any noncompliance that may adversely affect state waters or may  
534 endanger public health.

535 a. An oral or online report shall be provided within 24 hours from the time the permittee  
536 becomes aware of the circumstances. The following shall be included as information, which shall  
537 be reported within 24 hours under this subsection:

538 (1) Any unanticipated bypass; and  
539 (2) Any upset which causes a discharge to surface waters.

540 b. A written report shall be submitted within five days and shall contain:

541 (1) A description of the noncompliance and its cause;  
542 (2) The period of noncompliance including exact dates and times and, if the noncompliance has  
543 not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and  
544 (3) Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

545 The department may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis for reports of  
546 noncompliance under Part II I if the oral or online report has been received within 24 hours  
547 and no adverse impact on state waters has been reported.

548 2. The permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under Part II I 1, in  
549 writing, at the time the next monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain the  
550 information listed in Part II I 1 b.

551 3. The immediate (within 24 hours) reports required in Part II G, H and I shall be made to the  
552 department's regional office. Reports may be made by telephone or online  
553 at <https://www.deq.virginia.gov/our-programs/pollution-response> (online reporting is  
554 preferred). For reports outside normal working hours, the online portal shall be used. For  
555 emergencies, call the Virginia ~~Department of Emergency Management's~~ Emergency  
556 Operations Center (24-hours) at ~~1-800-468-8892~~804-750-8845.

557 4. Where the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit  
558 registration statement or submitted incorrect information in a permit registration statement or  
559 in any report to the department, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.

560 J. Notice of planned changes.

561 1. The permittee shall give notice to the department as soon as possible of any planned  
562 physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. Notice is required only when:

563 a. The permittee plans an alteration or addition to any building, structure, facility, or installation  
564 from which there is or may be a discharge of pollutants, the construction of which commenced:

565 (1) After promulgation of standards of performance under § 306 of the Clean Water Act that are  
566 applicable to such source; or

567 (2) After proposal of standards of performance in accordance with § 306 of the Clean Water Act  
568 that are applicable to such source, but only if the standards are promulgated in accordance with §  
569 306 of the Act within 120 days of their proposal;

570 b. The alteration or addition could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of  
571 pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants that are subject neither to effluent  
572 limitations nor to notification requirements under Part I B 12; or

573 c. The alteration or addition results in a significant change in the permittee's sludge use or  
574 disposal practices, and such alteration, addition, or change may justify the application of permit  
575 conditions that are different from or absent in the existing permit, including notification of  
576 additional use or disposal sites not reported during the permit registration process or not reported  
577 pursuant to an approved land application plan.

578 2. The permittee shall give advance notice to the department of any planned changes in the  
579 permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

580 K. Signatory requirements.

581 1. Registration statement. All registration statements shall be signed as follows:

582 a. For a corporation: by a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a  
583 responsible corporate officer means (i) a president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the  
584 corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar  
585 policy-making or decision-making functions for the corporation or (ii) the manager of one or  
586 more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities, provided the manager is authorized to  
587 make management decisions that govern the operation of the regulated facility including having  
588 the explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiating  
589 and directing other comprehensive measures to ~~assure-ensure~~ long-term environmental  
590 compliance with environmental laws and regulations; the manager can ensure that the necessary  
591 systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for permit  
592 application requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated  
593 to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures;

594 b. For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or

595 c. For a municipality, state, federal, or other public agency: by either a principal executive officer  
596 or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a public  
597 agency includes (i) the chief executive officer of the agency or (ii) a senior executive officer  
598 having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency.

599 2. Reports. All reports required by permits, and other information requested by the department  
600 shall be signed by a person described in Part II K 1, or by a duly authorized representative of  
601 that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:

602 a. The authorization is made in writing by a person described in Part II K 1;

603 b. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the  
604 overall operation of the regulated facility or activity such as the position of plant manager,  
605 operator of a well or a well field, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an  
606 individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company. A  
607 duly authorized representative thus may be either a named individual or any individual  
608 occupying a named position; and

609 c. The written authorization is submitted to the department.

610 3. Changes to authorization. If an authorization under Part II K 2 is no longer accurate because  
611 a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a  
612 new authorization satisfying the requirements of Part II K 2 shall be submitted to the  
613 department prior to or together with any reports or information to be signed by an authorized  
614 representative.

615 4. Certification. Any person signing a document under Part II K 1 or 2 shall make the  
616 following certification:

617 "I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my  
618 direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to ensure that qualified personnel  
619 properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or  
620 persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the  
621 information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate,

622 and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information,  
623 including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

624 L. Duty to comply. The permittee shall comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit  
625 noncompliance constitutes a violation of the State Water Control Law and the Clean Water Act,  
626 except that noncompliance with certain provisions of this permit may constitute a violation of the  
627 State Water Control Law but not the Clean Water Act. Permit noncompliance is grounds for  
628 enforcement action; for permit coverage termination or denial of permit coverage renewal.

629 The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established under § 307(a) of  
630 the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants and with standards for sewage sludge use or disposal  
631 established under § 405(d) of the Clean Water Act within the time provided in the regulations  
632 that establish these standards or prohibitions, even if this permit has not yet been modified to  
633 incorporate the requirement.

634 M. Duty to reapply. If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after  
635 the expiration date of this permit, the permittee shall submit a new registration statement at least  
636 60 days before the expiration date of the existing permit, unless permission for a later date has  
637 been granted by the department. The department shall not grant permission for registration  
638 statements to be submitted later than the expiration date of the existing permit.

639 N. Effect of a permit. This permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal  
640 property or any exclusive privileges. ~~nor~~ ~~This permit~~ does ~~it~~ not authorize any injury to private  
641 property or invasion of personal rights, or any infringement of federal, state, or local law or  
642 regulations.

643 O. State law. Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal  
644 action under, or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties  
645 established pursuant to any other state law or regulation or under authority preserved by § 510 of  
646 the Clean Water Act. Except as provided in permit conditions on "bypassing" (Part II U) and  
647 "upset" (Part II V), nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil  
648 and criminal penalties for noncompliance.

649 P. Oil and hazardous substance liability. Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the  
650 institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or  
651 penalties to which the permittee is or may be subject under Article 11 (§ 62.1-44.34:14 et seq.) of  
652 the State Water Control Law.

653 Q. Proper operation and maintenance. The permittee shall at all times properly operate and  
654 maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are  
655 installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit.  
656 Proper operation and maintenance also includes effective plant performance, adequate funding,  
657 adequate staffing, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality  
658 assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or  
659 similar systems that are installed by the permittee only when the operation is necessary to  
660 achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit.

661 R. Disposal of solids or sludges. Solids, sludges, or other pollutants removed in the course of  
662 treatment or management of pollutants shall be disposed of in a manner so as to prevent any  
663 pollutant from such materials from entering state waters.

664 S. Duty to mitigate. The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any  
665 discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit that has a reasonable likelihood of  
666 adversely affecting human health or the environment.

667 T. Need to halt or reduce activity not a defense. It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an  
668 enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in  
669 order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

670 U. Bypass.

671 1. "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment  
672 facility. The permittee may allow any bypass to occur that does not cause effluent limitations  
673 to be exceeded, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation.  
674 These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of Part II U 2 and 3.

675 2. Notice.

676 a. Anticipated bypass. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, prior notice  
677 shall be submitted, if possible, at least 10 days before the date of the bypass.

678 b. Unanticipated bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as  
679 required in Part II I.

680 3. Prohibition of bypass.

681 a. Bypass is prohibited, and the department may take enforcement action against a permittee for  
682 bypass, unless:

683 (1) Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;

684 (2) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment  
685 facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment  
686 downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been  
687 installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass that occurred  
688 during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and

689 (3) The permittee submitted notices as required under Part II U 2.

690 b. The department may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the  
691 department determines that it will meet the three conditions listed in Part II U 3 a.

692 V. Upset.

693 1. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with  
694 technology-based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of Part II V 2 are met. A  
695 determination made during administrative review of claims that noncompliance was caused by

696 upset and before an action for noncompliance is not a final administrative action subject to  
697 judicial review.

698 2. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate  
699 through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs or other relevant evidence that:

700 a. An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the cause or causes of the upset;

701 b. The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated;

702 c. The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Part II I; and

703 d. The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Part II S.

704 3. In any enforcement proceeding, the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an  
705 upset has the burden of proof.

706 W. Inspection and entry. The permittee shall allow the director or an authorized representative,  
707 including an authorized contractor acting as a representative of the administrator, upon  
708 presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:

709 1. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or  
710 conducted or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;

711 2. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the  
712 conditions of this permit;

713 3. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control  
714 equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and

715 4. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of ensuring permit compliance or  
716 as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act and the State Water Control Law any  
717 substances or parameters at any location.

718 For purposes of this section, the time for inspection shall be deemed reasonable during regular  
719 business hours or whenever the facility is discharging. Nothing contained in this general permit  
720 shall make an inspection unreasonable during an emergency.

721 X. Permit actions. Permit coverage may be terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the  
722 permittee for permit coverage termination or a notification of planned changes or anticipated  
723 noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

724 Y. Transfer of permit coverage.

725 1. Permit coverage is not transferable to any person except after notice to the department.

726 2. Coverage under this permit may be automatically transferred to a new permittee if:

727 a. The current permittee notifies the department ~~within at least~~ 30 days in advance of the transfer  
728 of the title to the facility or property, unless permission for a later date has been granted by the  
729 department;

**Commented [JB1]:** Waiting on input from OAG's office on this language (in Vehicle Wash). Will update when available.

730 b. The notice includes a written agreement between the existing and new permittees containing a  
731 specific date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and liability between them; and

732 c. The department does not notify the existing permittee and the proposed new permittee of its  
733 intent to deny permit coverage. If this notice is not received, the transfer is effective on the date  
734 specified in the agreement mentioned in Part II Y 2 b.

735 Z. Severability. The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit or  
736 the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the  
737 application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not  
738 be affected thereby.





# **Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Discharges from Groundwater Remediation of Contaminated Sites, Dewatering Activities of Contaminated Sites, and Hydrostatic Tests (9VAC25-120)**

## **Reissuance – TAC Meeting No. 2**

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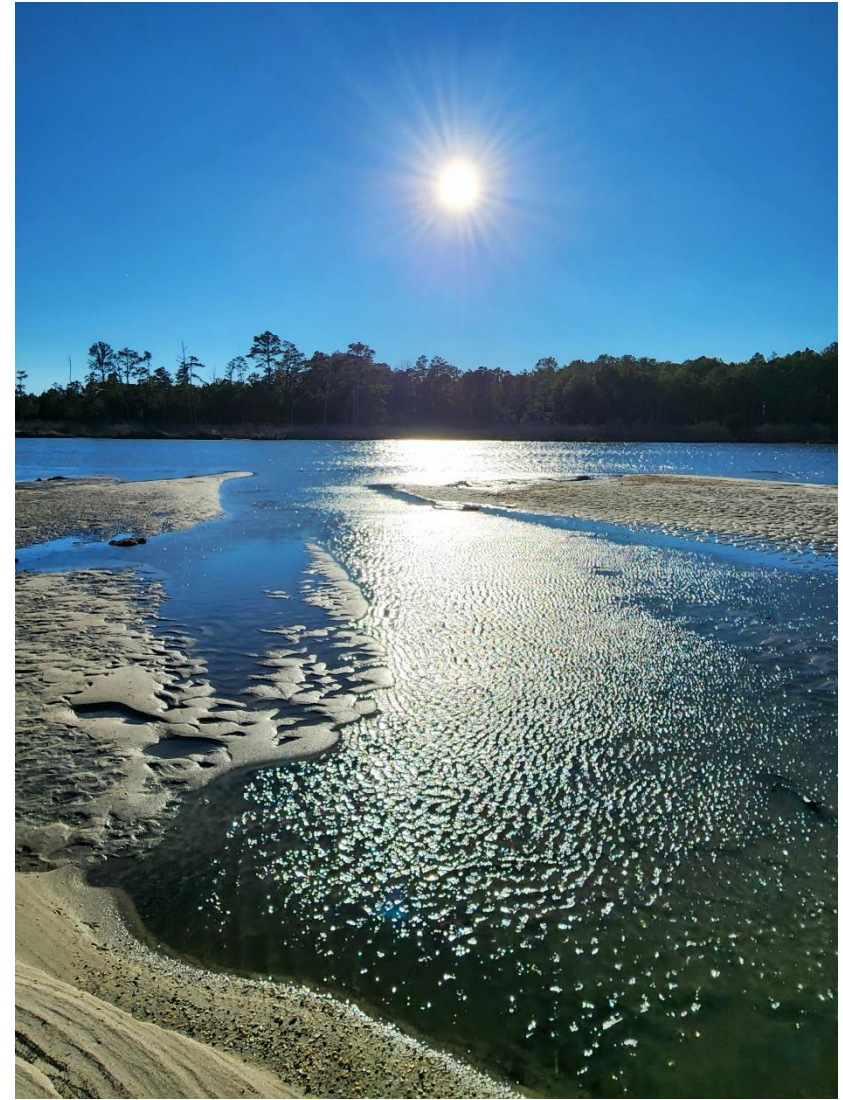
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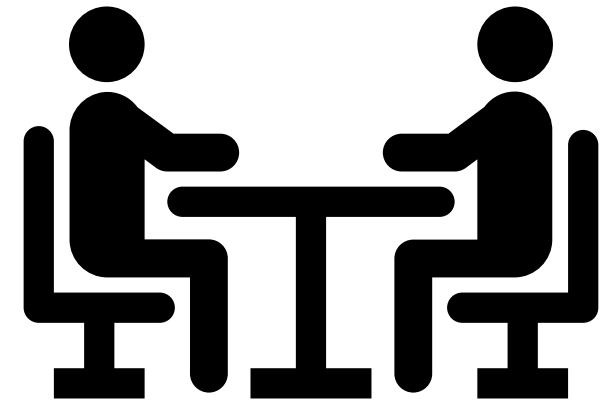
# Meeting Agenda

- Introductions
- Review and approve minutes from May meeting
- Exempt Regulatory Process
- Review of proposed revisions
- Open Discussion
- Next Steps



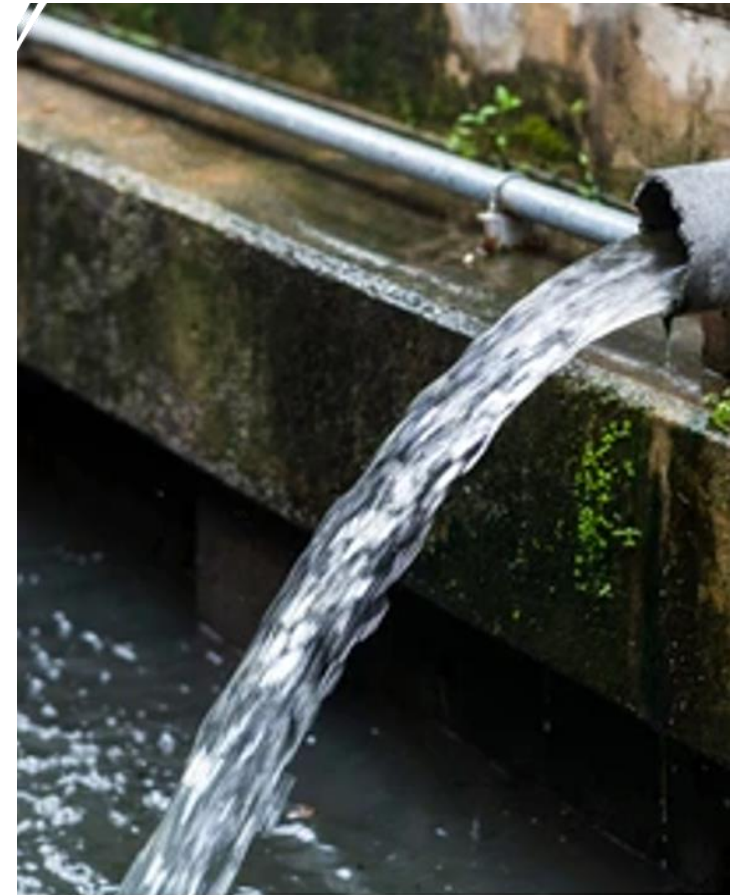
# Regulatory Process

- The GP regulation expires February 29, 2028, and must be amended and reissued for another five-year permit term.
- Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) published Feb. 9, 2026, closed March 11, 2026. No comments received.
- Form Technical Advisory Committee and hold meetings
- Present the Proposed Regulation to the Board.
- Public Comment and Public Hearing, Final Regulation



# Proposed Additional Revisions

- 9VAC25-120-20 Purpose
  - Revised to clearly list types of activities and contaminants covered by this permit, and to reduce redundancy
- 9VAC25-120-70.H Incomplete Registration Statements
  - New condition added to address incomplete Registration Statement submittals
- 9VAC25-120-80 General Permit
  - Updated language to clarify that the owner is authorized to discharge to surface waters within the boundaries of the Commonwealth of Virginia, except to designated public water supplies where the discharge location is less than 5 miles upstream of the public water supply intake, or to waters specifically named in other board regulations which prohibit such discharges.
- 9VAC25-120-80 Part I.A Effluent Limitation and Monitoring Requirements
  - Updated frequencies formatting and added metals non PWS limits
- 9VAC25-120-80 Part I.B.3 Operation and Maintenance Manual
  - Expanded language to provide more details on what the O&M manual should address, and to better match other general permits language.



# TAC Open Discussion



Issues, Concerns or  
Questions



Ideas for potential  
improvements

- Regulations
- Clarifying current language



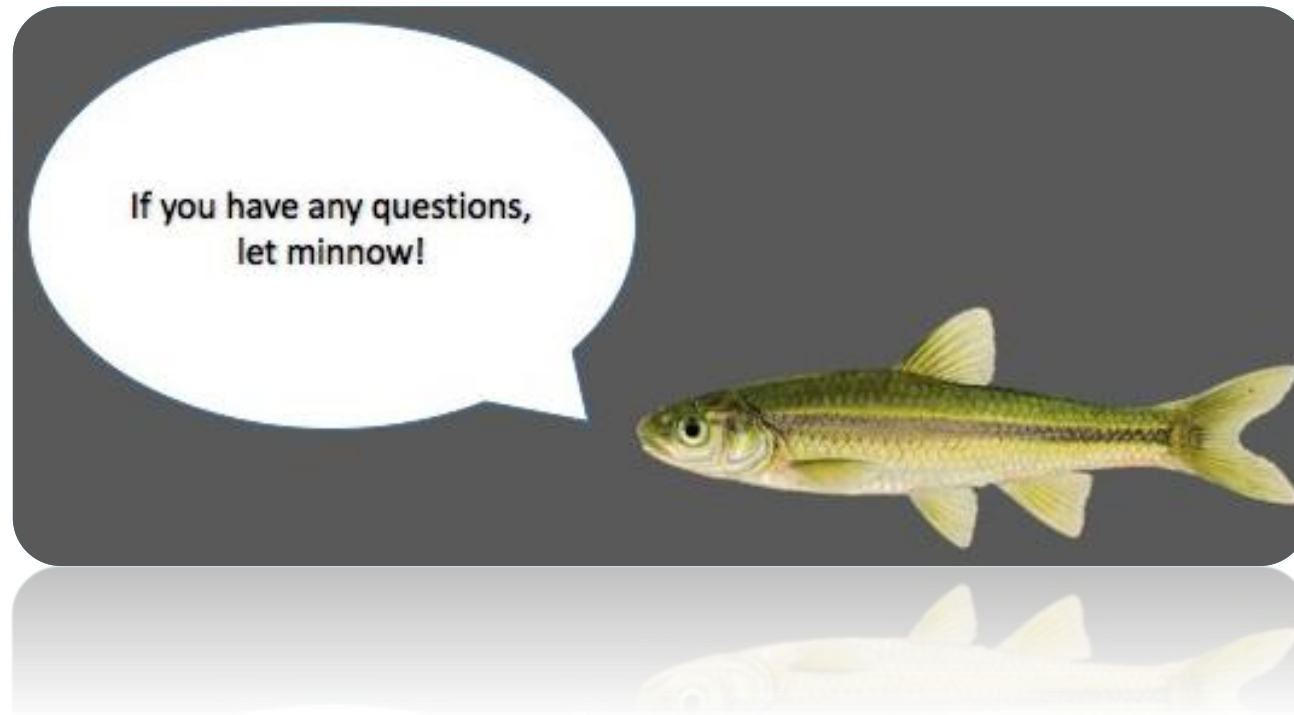
# Next Steps

- Meeting notes to be published on Town Hall.
- State Water Control Board meeting (September 2026 (est.)) to ask for approval to go to public comment and hearing
- NOPC (60 Days)
- Final Regulation (March 2027)
- Effective Date March 1, 2028





# Questions?



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