

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



**NOTICE OF HEARING
GREEN VALLEY SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT
SOAH Docket No. 582-17-1850
TCEQ Docket No. 2016-1876-MWD
Permit No. WQ0015360001**

APPLICATION.

Green Valley Special Utility District, P.O. Box 99, Marion, Texas 78124, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for new Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0015360001 to authorize the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at an annual average flow not to exceed 5,000,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on April 1, 2015.

The facility will be located at 3930 Linne Road, Seguin, in Guadalupe County, Texas 78155. The treated effluent will be discharged to Santa Clara Creek; thence to Lower Cibolo Creek in Segment No. 1902 of the San Antonio River Basin. The unclassified receiving water use is high aquatic life use for Santa Clara Creek. The designated uses for Segment No. 1902 are high aquatic life use and primary contact recreation. In accordance with 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Section 307.5 and the TCEQ implementation procedures (June 2010) for the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards, an antidegradation review of the receiving waters was performed. A Tier 1 antidegradation review has preliminarily determined that existing water quality uses will not be impaired by this permit action. Numerical and narrative criteria to protect existing uses will be maintained. A Tier 2 review has preliminarily determined that no significant degradation of water quality is expected in Santa Clara Creek, which has been identified as having high aquatic life use. Existing uses will be maintained and protected. The preliminary determination can be reexamined and may be modified if new information is received.

The TCEQ Executive Director has prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Marion City Hall, 303 South Center Street, Marion, Texas. As a public courtesy, we have provided the following web page to an online map of the site or the facility's general location. The online map is not part of the application or the notice:

<<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.5253&lng=-98.114166&zoom=13&type=r>>. For the exact location, refer to the application.

CONTESTED CASE HEARING.

The State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) will conduct a formal contested case hearing at:

**10:00 a.m. – February 14, 2017
William P. Clements Building
300 West 15th Street, 4th Floor
Austin, Texas 78701**

The contested case hearing will be a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. The hearing will address the disputed issues of fact identified in the TCEQ order concerning this application that was issued on December 15, 2016. In addition to these issues, the judge may consider additional issues if certain factors are met.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with Chapter 2001, Texas Government Code; Chapter 26, Texas Water Code; and the procedural rules of the TCEQ and SOAH, including 30 TAC Chapter 80 and 1 TAC Chapter 155. The hearing will be held unless all timely hearing requests have been withdrawn or denied.

To request to be a party, you must attend the hearing and show you would be adversely affected by the application in a way not common to members of the general public. Any person may attend the hearing and request to be a party. Only persons named as parties may participate at the hearing.

INFORMATION.

If you need more information about the hearing process for this application, please call the Public Education Program, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/>.

Further information may also be obtained from Green Valley Special Utility District at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Pat Allen at 830-914-2330.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the hearing should call the SOAH Docketing Department at 512-475-3445, at least one week prior to the hearing.

Issued: December 30, 2016



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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality