Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 401 State Certification Request Form

1) Applicant's contact information:
2) Description of the proposed project:
3) Identify the applicable federal license or permit for which 401 certification is being requested and include the Corps permit project number and Corps project manager:
4) Identify the location and nature of any potential discharge (i.e., fill, dredged material placement area return water) that may result from the proposed project and the location of the receiving waters:
If project is located in the Coastal Zone, please indicate if impacts to Coastal Critical Areas are proposed and include acreage of impact to those areas. Coastal Critical Areas include: coastal wetland, oyster reef, hard substrate reef, submerged aquatic vegetation, or a tidal sand or mud flat (as defined in 31 Texas Administrative Code §501.3).

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Link to Coastal Zone boundary map: https://www.glo.texas.gov/coast/coastal-management/forms/files/CoastalBoundaryMap.pdf)
5) Describe any proposed methods and means to monitor the discharge and the equipment or measures planned to treat, control, or manage the discharge, (i.e., best management practices)
6) Include a list of all other federal, interstate, tribal, state, territorial, or local agency authorizations required for the proposed project, including all approvals or denials already received.
7) Include documentation that a pre-filing meeting request was submitted to the certifying authority (TCEQ) at least 30 days prior to submitting this certification request.

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8) "The project proponent hereby certifies that all information contained herein is
true, accurate, and complete, to best of my knowledge and belief. The project
proponent hereby requests that the certifying authority review and take action on this
CWA 401 certification request within the applicable reasonable period of time."
Signature: Date:

Important Note:

Please fill out and return this form to <u>401CERTS@tceq.texas.gov</u> and cc the Corps project manager.

If this is a Tier I project, please attach the Tier I Checklist.

If this is a Tier II project, please attach:

- 1) a copy of the Corps 404 permit application,
- 2) Tier II 401 Questionnaire and Alternatives Analysis Checklist.

Tier I projects are those that impact less than 3 acres of wetlands or 1,500 linear feet of stream or shoreline, or any combination of the two, where 500 linear feet of stream or shoreline is equivalent to one acre of wetland. Tier II projects are those with impacts that exceed Tier I impact thresholds, impact rare and ecologically significant wetlands, or impact Critical Areas in the Coastal Zone Boundary.

Rare and ecologically significant wetlands include: Pitcher plant bogs, swamps dominated by bald cypress and tupelo gum tree species, the area of Caddo Lake within Texas that is designated as a Ramsar Wetland of International Importance, mangrove marshes, and coastal dune swales.

Critical Areas include: coastal wetland, oyster reef, hard substrate reef, submerged aquatic vegetation, or a tidal sand or mud flat.

The following is a link to a Coastal Management Resources web viewer to aid in determining the presence of coastal critical areas.

 $\frac{https://glo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=559e3ee98e0f43c084ba0adb5a2177f1}{}$