TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF HEARING DENALI WATER SOLUTIONS LLC SOAH Docket No. 582-18-1343 TCEQ Docket No. 2017-1148-SLG Permit No. WQ0005210000

APPLICATION.

Denali Water Solutions LLC, 3308 Bernice Avenue, Russellville, Arkansas 72802, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for new TCEQ Permit No. WQ0005210000 to authorize the land application of wastewater treatment plant sewage sludge and water treatment plant sludge for beneficial use on 302.9 acres. The anticipated date of the first application of sludge, subject to the issuance of the permit, is April 4, 2017. This permit will not authorize a discharge of pollutants into water in the state. TCEQ received this application on August 30, 2016.

The sludge land application site will be located approximately 4.7 miles west of the intersection of Mile 16 Road and Farm-to-Market Road 2058, in Hidalgo and Starr Counties, Texas 78541.

The sludge land application site will be located within the drainage basin of the Rio Grande below Falcon Reservoir in Segment No. 2302 of the Rio Grande Basin.

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 the Dustin Michael Sekula Memorial Library, 1906 South Closner Boulevard, Edinburg, Texas, and the Rio Grande City Public Library, 591 East Canales Street, Rio Grande City, 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: <<u>http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=26.475277&lng=-98.47&zoom=13&type=r</u>>. 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, 2018 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 issued on October 9, 2017. 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 Texas Administrative Code (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.

In accordance with 1 Tex. Admin. Code § 155.401(a), Notice of Hearing, "Parties that are not represented by an attorney may obtain information regarding contested case hearings on the public website of the State Office of Administrative Hearings at <u>www.soah.texas.gov</u>, or in printed format upon request to SOAH."

INFORMATION.

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

Further information may also be obtained from Denali Water Solutions LLC at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Mike Cook at 479-970-8408.

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.

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