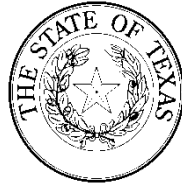


TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER

RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0014488001

APPLICATION. City of Dripping Springs, P.O. Box 384, Dripping Springs, Texas 78620, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a major amendment to TCEQ Permit No. WQ0014488001 to authorize the addition of a subsurface drip irrigation site of 13.8 acres with a flow volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 60,000 gallons per day in the final phase and the addition of a surface irrigation site of 17 acres with a flow volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 50,000 gallons per day in the final phase, an increase in the total land application acreage from 113.53 acres to 144.33 acres, and an increase in the total wastewater treatment facility flow volume in the final phase to a volume not to exceed a daily average flow from 319,000 gallons per day to 429,000 gallons per day. The existing permit authorizes the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 133,000 gallons per day via subsurface area drip irrigation of 30.53 acres of public access land and the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow not to exceed 186,000 gallons via surface irrigation of 83 acres of public access land. This permit will not authorize a discharge of pollutants into water in the state. TCEQ received this application on February 16, 2018.

The wastewater treatment facility and on-site subsurface disposal site are located approximately 0.55 miles east of the intersection of Ranch Road 12 and Farm-to-Market Road 150, as measured along Farm-to-Market Road 150, and from that point, approximately 1,110 feet south of Farm-to-Market Road 150, in Hays County. An existing offsite subsurface disposal area is located approximately 0.44 miles south of the intersection of U.S. Highway 290 and Ranch Road 12, as measured along Ranch Road 12, and from that point, approximately 1,280 feet east of Ranch Road 12, in Hays County. Another existing offsite surface disposal area is located approximately 1.5 miles south of the intersection of U.S. Highway 290 and Ranch Road 12, and from that point approximately 1,000 feet west of Ranch Road 12 in Hays County. The proposed subsurface disposal area will be located approximately 0.31 miles north of the intersection of U.S. Highway 290 and Ranch Road 12, along Ranch Road 12, and, from that point, approximately 0.26 miles west of Ranch Road 12, in Hays County. The proposed surface disposal site will be located approximately 1.65 miles west and 0.65 miles south of the intersection of U.S. Highway 290 and Ranch Road 12, in Hays County. The wastewater treatment facility and on-site subsurface disposal site are located in Hays County, Texas 78619. All other disposal sites are located in Hays County, Texas 78620. The wastewater treatment facility and the disposal sites are located in the drainage basin of Onion Creek in Segment No. 1427 of the Colorado River Basin.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, 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. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application.

<https://tceq.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=db5bac44afbc468bbddd36of816825of&marker=-98.080277%2C30.154166&level=12>

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. A public meeting will be held and will consist of two parts, an Informal Discussion Period and a Formal Comment Period. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act. During the Informal Discussion Period, the public will be encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the permit application. The comments and questions submitted orally during the Informal Discussion Period will not be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application and no formal response will be made. Responses will be provided orally during the Informal Discussion Period. During the Formal Comment Period on the permit application, members of the public may state their formal comments orally into the official record. A written response to all timely, relevant and material, or significant comments will be prepared by the Executive Director. All formal comments will be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application. A copy of the written response will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requested to be on the mailing list for this permit application and provides a mailing address. Only relevant and material issues raised during the Formal Comment Period can be considered if a contested case hearing is granted on this permit application.

The Public Meeting is to be held:

Monday, March 28, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Members of the public who would like to ask questions or provide comments during the meeting may access the meeting via webcast by following this link:

<https://www.gotomeeting.com/webinar/join-webinar> and entering Webinar ID 503-810-979. It is recommended that you join the webinar and register for the public meeting at least 15 minutes before the meeting begins. You will be given the option to use your computer audio or to use your phone for participating in the webinar.

Those without internet access must call (512) 239-1201 **at least one day prior** to the meeting to register for the meeting and to obtain information for participating telephonically. Members of the public who wish to **only listen** to the meeting may call, toll free, (631) 992-3221 and enter access code 705-217-705.

Additional information will be available on the agency calendar of events at the following link:

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/decisions/hearings/calendar.html>.

INFORMATION. Citizens are encouraged to submit written comments anytime during the meeting or by mail before the close of the public comment period to the Office of the Chief Clerk, TCEQ, Mail Code MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at

<https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/>. If you need more information about the permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. *Si desea información en Español, puede llamar 1-800-687-4040.* General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov>.

The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Dripping Springs City Hall, 511 Mercer Street, Dripping Springs, Texas. Further information may also be obtained from City of Dripping Springs at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Robert Callegari, P.E., Burgess & Niple, Inc. at 512-432-1000.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at (512) 239-3300 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least five business days prior to the meeting.

Issuance Date: February 16, 2022