

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



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I, Laurie Gharis, Chief Clerk of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, do hereby certify that the attached mailing list provides the persons to whom the notice of the public hearing for Blake L. Pendley, SOAH Docket No. 582-25-18942, TCEQ Docket No. 2025-0063-LIC, was mailed on July 15, 2025.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, this the 15th day of July 2025.

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Laurie Gharis, Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF HEARING **Blake L. Pendley** **SOAH Docket No. 582-25-18942** **TCEQ Docket No. 2025-0063-LIC**

APPLICATION.

Blake L. Pendley, 1250 US Highway 281, Wichita Falls, Texas 76310, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an On-Site Sewage Facility Installer I License. The Executive Director denied Mr. Pendley's application for cause. Mr. Pendley has requested a formal hearing on the Executive Director's decision. During the review of Mr. Pendley's application, the Executive Director discovered that Mr. Pendley received a Third-Degree Felony in 2021. The Executive Director denied Mr. Pendley's application because he has been convicted of a sexually violent offense that directly relates to the license as referenced in Texas Occupations Code § 53.021(a)(1) and (3).

CONTESTED CASE HEARING.

The State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) will conduct a preliminary hearing via Zoom videoconference. A Zoom meeting is a secure, free meeting held over the internet that allows video, audio, or audio/video conferencing.

10:00 a.m. – August 14, 2025

To join the Zoom meeting via computer:

<https://soah-texas.zoomgov.com/>

Meeting ID: 161 984 0712

Password: TCEQDC1

or

To join the Zoom meeting via telephone:

(669) 254-5252

Meeting ID: 161 984 0712

Password: 5247869

For questions regarding the preliminary hearing, visit the SOAH website at: <http://www.soah.texas.gov/> or call SOAH at 512-475-4993.

The purpose of a preliminary hearing is to establish jurisdiction, name the parties, establish a procedural schedule for the remainder of the proceeding, provide an opportunity for settlement discussions, and address other matters as determined by the administrative law judge. The preliminary hearing will be held unless all timely hearing requests are withdrawn or the parties agree to waive the preliminary hearing.

The evidentiary phase of the contested case hearing, to be held at a later date, will be a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court to determine whether Mr. Pendley should be issued an On-Site Sewage Facility Installer I License. Unless agreed to by all parties in attendance at the preliminary hearing, an evidentiary hearing will not be held on the date of this preliminary hearing. **If Mr. Pendley fails to appear at the preliminary hearing or evidentiary hearing, the Executive Director will request that the hearing be canceled, and that appeal of the Executive Director's decision be dismissed.**

Legal Authority: Texas Water Code Chapters 5 and 37; Texas Occupations Code Chapter 53; Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001; 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 30, and the procedural rules of the TCEQ and SOAH, including 30 TAC Chapters 70 and 80 and 1 TAC Chapter 155.

INFORMATION.

For information concerning the hearing process, please contact the TCEQ Office of Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-6363. Further information regarding this hearing may be obtained by contacting Aubrey Pawelka, Staff Attorney, TCEQ, Environmental Law Division, MC 173, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-0622. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.texas.gov. General information about SOAH can be found on its website at www.soah.texas.gov, or by calling (512) 475-4993.

Any document filed prior to the hearing must be filed with TCEQ's Office of the Chief Clerk and SOAH. Documents filed with the Office of the Chief Clerk may be filed electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/efilings or sent to the following address: TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk, Mail Code 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. 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 www.soah.texas.gov, or in printed format upon request to SOAH."

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: July 15, 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laurie Gharis". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Laurie" and last name "Gharis" clearly distinguishable.

Laurie Gharis, Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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SOAH Docket No. 582-25-18942

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