

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

AMENDMENT

PERMIT NO. WQ0010549002

APPLICATION. City of Blanco, P.O. Box 750, Blanco, Texas 78606, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a major amendment to Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0010549002 to authorize decommissioning the existing lagoon treatment facilities, construction of Bullseye tank and new sludge drying beds, and reconfiguration of man-made effluent holding/storage ponds; and to relocate Outfall 001. The existing permit authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 225,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on April 18, 2023.

The facility is located at 289 Waters Edge Road, in the City of Blanco, Blanco County, Texas 78606. The interim discharge route for the treated effluent is to on-site man-made ponds, thence via an overflow pipe to an unnamed ditch, thence to the Upper Blanco River in Segment No. 1813 of the Guadalupe River Basin. Following completion of a pipeline to convey treated effluent, the proposed discharge route is to on-site man-made ponds, thence via pipe to the Upper Blanco River in Segment No. 1813 of the Guadalupe River Basin. The unclassified receiving water use is minimal aquatic life use for the on-site man-made ponds, and the unnamed ditch. The designated uses for Segment No. 1813 are primary contact recreation, public water supply, aquifer protection, and exceptional aquatic life use. In accordance with 30 Texas Administrative Code § 307.5 and the TCEQ *Procedures to Implement the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards* (June 2010), 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 the Upper Blanco River which has been identified as having exceptional 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. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application.

<https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=-98.41,30.103055&level=18>

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.

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:

Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 7:00 PM
Gem of the Hills
2233 US Highway 281 North
Blanco, TX 78606

INFORMATION. Members of the public 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 www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment. 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 Blanco City Hall, 300 Pecan Street, Blanco, Texas. Further information may also be obtained from City of Blanco at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Warren Escovy at 830-833-4525, Extension 105.

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.

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