TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF HEARING US Ecology Winnie, LLC SOAH Docket No. 582-25-19115 TCEQ Docket No. 2023-1590-WDW UIC Permit Nos. WDW344, WDW345, WDW346, WDW347, WDW348, WDW349, and WDW350

APPLICATION.

US Ecology Winnie LLC, 26400 Wilber Road, Winnie, Texas 77665-8745, a commercial nonhazardous industrial and municipal waste disposal facility, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for permit renewal and amendments to authorize disposal of nonhazardous wastes generated from the permittee's facility and from other sources, and for amendment to the permits to change the base of the Injection Zone to 4,000 feet below ground level (BGL), change the top of the Injection Zone to 1,076 feet BGL for WDW346, and change the maximum allowable surface injection pressure based on varying waste stream specific gravity for WDW346, WDW347, WDW348, WDW349 and WDW350. The facility is located at 26400 Wilber Road, Winnie, 77665-8745 in Jefferson County, Texas. The TCEQ received this application on May 28, 2019. The following 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:

https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.746183&lng=-94.243388&zoom=12&type=r. For exact location, refer to application.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared draft permits. The draft permits, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that these permits, if issued, meet all statutory and regulatory requirements. The application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permits are available for viewing and copying at Beaumont Public Library, 801 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701.

CONTESTED CASE HEARING.

Considering directives to protect public health, 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. – September 23, 2025

To join the Zoom meeting via computer:

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

Meeting ID: 161 577 1016 Password: TCE9UU5

or

To join the Zoom meeting via telephone: (669) 254-5252 or (646) 828-7666

Meeting ID: 161 577 1016 Password: 8262723

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, and to address other matters as determined by the judge. The evidentiary hearing phase of the proceeding, which will occur at a later date, will be 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 February 27, 2024. 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 27, Texas Water Code; and the procedural rules of the TCEQ, including 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapters 80, 305, and 331 and SOAH, including 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 www.soah.texas.gov, 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 www.tceq.texas.gov.

Further information may also be obtained from US Ecology Winnie LLC. at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Yvonne Hudspeth at (409) 794-3119.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the hearing should call the SOAH Docketing Department at 512-475-4993, at least one week prior to the hearing.

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Laurie Gharis, Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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