



TCEQ Compliance Alert: Oil and Gas Wastewater Discharge Permits

TCEQ requested authority from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to regulate produced water, hydrostatic test water, and gas plant effluent discharges resulting from certain oil and gas activities into water in the state as required by House Bill 2771, 86th Legislature 2019. When EPA approves the request, state permitting authority for these discharges will transfer from the Railroad Commission (RRC) of Texas to TCEQ.

You can find information on past and future stakeholder meetings at the [Oil and Gas Wastewater Stakeholder Group webpage](#).

For further details on the types of permits and what authorizations may be applicable to your facility, how to apply, and where to submit electronic reports, visit our [Oil and Gas Wastewater Permits assistance webpage](#).

Free Online Workshop for the Oil and Gas Industry

In anticipation of TCEQ receiving regulatory authority from EPA, TCEQ is hosting a **free** online workshop to familiarize regulated entities with our online permitting and reporting tools. The workshop will be held on **January 7, 2021 from 10am to 12pm** and provide information on how to:

- Set up an account in STEERS—TCEQ's E-Permitting System.
- Apply for authorization under the Hydrostatic Test general permit.
- Set up an account in NetDMR-TCEQ's Electronic Reporting System.
- Submit discharge monitoring reports.

[Register for the workshop on Oil and Gas E-Permitting and Discharge Monitoring](#)

Assistance

For compliance resources, please visit our [Oil and Gas Compliance Assistance Website](#). You can also call our confidential compliance hotline from 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday with the option to leave a voicemail outside of office hours at 800-447-2827 for assistance.

To sign up for future industry workshop registration alerts, please visit <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXTCEQ/subscriber/new> to subscribe to your choice of topics via text or email, or to receive *The Advocate*, a periodic publication that provides updates on regulatory concerns and rules for small businesses and local governments, please visit <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assistance/resources/e-advocate.html>.