

## Plain Language Summary of Proposed Concrete Batch Plant Standard Permit 2023 Amendments

### Introduction

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or commission) is seeking to amend the non-rule air quality standard permit authorizing concrete batch plants (CBP) under the authority of the Texas Clean Air Act (TCAA), Texas Health and Safety Code, §382.05195, and 30 TAC Chapter 116, Subchapter F, Standard Permits.

### Summary

The proposed amendments to the standard permit (Non-Rule Project No. 2022-033-OTH-NR) will include an updated Air Quality Analysis (AQA) and corresponding revisions to certain provisions of the standard permit. The AQA is a report containing information that demonstrates that emissions at a concrete batch plant authorized by this standard permit would not cause or contribute to a violation of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards, exceed a state property line standard, or adversely affect human health and the environment. The proposed amendments to the standard permit include revised operational requirements, additional setback limitations, production limitations, and updated best management practices. The proposed changes would support the reduction of emissions from CBPs and ensure that air quality and human health remain protected.

### Public Comment and Public Meeting Information

The TCEQ held three informal stakeholder public meetings relating to the CPB standard permit in November 2022. The meetings were held on November 9, 2022, at TCEQ headquarters in Austin, Texas (hybrid in-person and virtual); on November 14, 2022, in Houston, Texas (in-person); and on November 15, 2022, in Arlington, Texas (in-person). The TCEQ accepted informal comments through November 30, 2022.

The TCEQ will offer a hybrid in-person and virtual formal public meeting on the proposed amendments to the CPB standard permit. The meeting will be offered in Austin on Thursday, May 18, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in Building E, Room 201S, at the TCEQ's central office located at 12100 Park 35 Circle.

Individuals who plan to attend the meeting virtually and want to provide oral comments must register by Tuesday, May 16, 2023. To register, please email [Rules@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:Rules@tceq.texas.gov) and provide the following information: your name, your affiliation, your email address, your phone number, and whether or not you plan to provide oral comments during the meeting. Instructions for participating in the meeting will be sent on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, to those who register for the meeting.

Members of the public who do not wish to provide oral comments but would like to view the meeting virtually may do so at no cost at:

[https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting\\_ODkyNjQ4OTQtM2E2ZC00ZDQzLWFhNGItMDJlZmYwZDQ3NTgz%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22871a83a4-a1ce-4b7a-8156-3bcd93a08fba%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22e74a40ea-69d4-469d-a8ef-06f2c9ac2a80%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ODkyNjQ4OTQtM2E2ZC00ZDQzLWFhNGItMDJlZmYwZDQ3NTgz%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22871a83a4-a1ce-4b7a-8156-3bcd93a08fba%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22e74a40ea-69d4-469d-a8ef-06f2c9ac2a80%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d)

The meeting will be offered to receive public comments on the proposed amendments to the CBP standard permit. Spanish language interpretation services will be provided. For accommodation needs, contact Sandy Wong, Office of Legal Services at (512) 239-1802 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) as far in advance as possible.

The TCEQ will also hold an informational meeting in Houston during the public comment period to answer questions about the proposed amendments. Oral comments will not be accepted at the informational meeting. Details of the informational meeting (such as date, time, and location) will be posted on the TCEQ website at the link provided at the end of this document.

The comment period for these proposed actions opens on April 14, 2023 and closes on June 14, 2023. Submit written comments through the TCEQ Public Comments system at <https://tceq.commentinput.com/comment/search> or by mail to Gwen Ricco, MC 205, Office of Legal Services, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Comments may also be faxed to [fax4808@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:fax4808@tceq.texas.gov). Comments must reference Non-Rule Project No. 2022-033-OTH-NR.

The proposed standard permit and other information can be found on the TCEQ's website at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/air/newsourcesreview/2023-amendment-concrete-batch-standard-permit>.

For more information about the proposal or to get help with submitting written comments, contact Michael Wilhoit, Rule Project Manager, at (512) 239-1222 or [michael.wilhoit@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:michael.wilhoit@tceq.texas.gov).