Oil & Gas Discharge Delegation Stakeholder Meeting

DECEMBER 11, 2019
Agenda Topics
- Major Milestones

- TCEQ Rulemaking
  - O&G Effluent Limitation Guidelines

- Revise Hydrostatic Test General Permit

- Revise TCEQ/Railroad Commission MOU

- Develop NPDES Application and TCEQ/EPA MOA

- EIC Revisions
NPDES Delegation Task Force

Task Force Participants

- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- Texas Railroad Commission
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Texas Office of the Attorney General
Revise Hydrostatic Test General Permit

Nov 2019

Revised Timeline

Nov 2020

Mar 2020

Original Timeline

Mar 2021

Condensing Timelines
Rulemaking
Oil & Gas Effluent Limitation Guidelines

Major Milestones:

- Proposal Agenda Backup filed 11/26/2019
- Proposal Agenda 12/18/2019
- Public Hearing 02/04/2020
- End of Comment Period 02/11/2020
- Respond to Public Comments 03/13/2020
- Adoption Agenda Backup filed 05/01/2020
- Adoption Agenda 05/20/2020
Proposed Definition of Produced Water

For the purposes of TCEQ’s implementation of Texas Water Code §26.131, “produced water” is defined as:

- “all wastewater associated with oil and gas exploration, development, and production activities, except hydrostatic test water and gas plant effluent, that is discharged into water in the state, including wastestreams regulated by 40 CFR Part 435.”

When adopting 40 CFR Part 435, where 40 CFR Part 435 uses the term “produced water” the TCEQ shall instead use the term “produced wastewater.”
Amend Hydrostatic Test General Permit

**Major Milestones:**

- Research EPA/RRC Requirements: In progress
- Develop Draft Permit and Fact Sheet: 1/31/2020
- Internal Briefings / Finalize Draft Permit: 3/31/2020
- EPA Review of Draft Permit: 4/1/2020 - 7/1/2020
- Public Comment Period: Aug. 2020
- Respond to Public Comments: Sep. 2020
- Adoption Agenda: Nov. 2020