

**National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program
PUBLIC NOTICE
OF
DRAFT GENERAL PERMIT FOR
TEMPORARY DISCHARGES**

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Surface Water, Permits Section
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Public notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA)-Division of Surface Water (DSW) has issued a draft general permit authorization to discharge wastewater from temporary discharges.

Temporary discharges may be associated with some type of facility or site cleanup, or one-time emergency discharge due to unusual or short-term circumstances, or discharges from a pilot project or test facility. The type of pollutants found in temporary discharges may be quite variable due to the differences in projects. Flow rates can be different depending on the size of the project. The concentration of the discharges must be *de minimus*, defined as less than 65 mg/l for total suspended solids, less than 10 mg/l for oil and grease and less than ten percent of the waste load allocation for all other applicable pollutants. In addition, temporary discharges are defined as facilities or projects that discharge for a time period not to exceed 60 days.

This permit would be the renewal of a general permit, and will be subject to the requirements of Ohio's anti-degradation rule (Ohio Administrative Code 3745-1-05). The general permit is proposed for a duration of five years.

Copies of the draft general NPDES permit and the associated fact sheet and documentation can be obtained on the Ohio EPA-DSW web page at <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/permits/gpfact.aspx> or by contacting one of the following Ohio EPA district offices:

Southeast District Office	(740) 385-8501
Southwest District Office	(937) 285-6357
Northwest District Office	(419) 352-8461
Northeast District Office	(330) 963-1200
Central District Office	(614) 728-3778

Ohio EPA will hold a public information session and public hearing relative to issues of lower water quality at 3:00 p.m. on November 21, 2011 at Ohio EPA's Central Office, Conference Room A, 50 West Town Street, Suite 700, Columbus, Ohio 43215. The public hearing will end when all interested parties have had an opportunity to provide testimony related to the draft permit.

All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented and give written or oral comments on the draft permit. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain additional information that will be considered by the Director of Ohio EPA prior to any further action on the draft permit.

In accordance with OAC3745-1-05, Ohio EPA will provide an opportunity for public comment concerning this draft general permit. Comments received shall be considered by the Director before the draft permit is issued as final. Persons wishing to be on the Ohio EPA's interested parties mailing list for this project or wishing to submit comments for Ohio EPA's consideration may do so in writing to Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water, Attention: Patti Smith / Permits Processing Unit, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049. Comments must be received by November 28, 2011. Comments received after this date may not be considered as part of the official record.