

Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that is proposed for reissuance and will allow the continued release of treated wastewater into a water body in Nelson County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: October 1, 2026, to November 2, 2026.

PERMIT NAME: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Wastewater issued by DEQ pursuant to applicable water laws and regulations.

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: Nelson County Service Authority; PO Box 249
Lovingston, VA 22949; VA0026484

FACILITY NAME AND LOCATION: Schuyler STP; 5996 Rockfish River Road, Schuyler, VA 22969

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Nelson County Service Authority has applied for reissuance of a permit for Schuyler STP. The applicant proposes to release treated sewage wastewater at a rate of 0.025 million gallons per day into Ivy Creek in Nelson County in the Rockfish River-Dutch Creek watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: physical and chemical properties, nutrients, organic matter, solids, and bacteria. Sludge from the treatment process will be pumped and hauled to Nelson County Regional STP where it will undergo further treatment.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing on the draft permit by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. DEQ must receive hand-delivery and postal mail by close of business and email and fax comments by 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses or email addresses of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Name: Abbie Roadcap; Address: Valley Regional Office, 4411 Early Road, Harrisonburg, Virginia, 22801; Phone: (540) 217-7478; E-mail: abbie.roadcap@deq.virginia.gov. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.