

Public Notice Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Division of Water Resources Notice Requesting Public Comments on Draft Permit Actions FILE # NRS22.192 Modification

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public of the following proposed permit action and solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the potential impact of the proposed activities on the aquatic environment.

Pursuant to The Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977, T.C.A. § 69-3-108 and Tennessee Rules, Chapter 0400-40-07, the proposed activity described below has been submitted for approval under an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit modification. This notice is intended to inform interested parties of this permit application and draft permit and rationale, and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. At the conclusion of the public notice period a final determination will be made whether to issue or deny the state permit modification.

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APPLICANT	Tennessee Natural Gas Company, LLC
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LOCATION	From near Claylick Rd., Dickson, to near Old Scott Rd.,
	Cumberland City
	Dickson, Houston, and Stewart Counties
	Unnamed Wetlands, Unnamed tributaries to Harpeth River,
	Jordan Branch, Unnamed tributaries to Jones Creek,
	Miscellaneous Tributaries to Jones Creek, Jones Creek, Peabody
	Branch, Leatherwood Creek, Miscellaneous tributaries to Yellow
	Creek, Yellow Creek, Furnace Creek, Little Bartons Creek,
	Miscellaneous tributaries to Bartons Creek, Bartons Creek,
	Miscellaneous tributaries to Johnson Creek, Johnson Creek,
	Miscellaneous tributaries to Guices Creek, Guices Creek,
	Miscellaneous tributaries to Wells Creek, Wells Creek, Barkley
	Reservoir Harpeth River Watershed and Lake Barkley Watershed

from approximately 36.161840, -87.206428 to approximately 36.372977, -87.675641

To view the proposed location of these impacts and the watershed condition, visit the Division's map viewer at <u>http://tdeconline.tn.gov/dwr/</u> and search on the permit number or coordinates listed in this Public Notice.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION / PURPOSE

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC proposes a modification to ARAP NRS22.192 to authorize temporary impacts to an additional 604 feet of stream and permanent impacts to an additional 20 feet of stream associated with the construction of a 32-mile 30-inch diameter natural gas pipeline. Previously authorized and certified impacts are temporary impacts to 0.69 acres of wetland, permanent impacts to 0.03 acres of wetland, temporary impacts to approximately 5,400 feet of stream, permanent impacts to 490 feet of stream and temporary water withdrawals from eight streams and one reservoir. This modification would affect only the state aquatic resource alteration permit and would not constitute a modification of the Section 401 certification issued on July 21, 2023.

ANTIDEGRADATION

Antidegradation review has been completed for the activities authorized in the original permit and section 401 certification.

In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06):

For the newly proposed impacts to streams in the TDEC Waterbody known as "Miscellaneous Tributaries to Jones Creek" addressed by the permit modification, the Division has made a preliminary determination that the authorized activities will result in de minimis degradation of waters with available parameters for habitat alteration without mitigation and will not result in an appreciable permanent loss of resource values. For the newly proposed impacts to streams in the TDEC Waterbody known as "Unnamed tributaries to Jones Creek" addressed by the permit modification, the Division has made a preliminary determination that the proposed activities will result in no significant degradation in a waterbody with unavailable parameters for habitat alteration because the activities will not result in an appreciable permanent loss of resource values.

FACTORS CONSIDERED

In deciding whether to issue or deny this permit, the Division will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. The Division will consider the nature, scale and effects of proposed impacts. The Division will consider practicable alternatives to the alteration, loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impacts to unique, high quality, or impaired waters. In making this decision, a final determination will be made evaluating appreciable permanent loss of resource values and proposed compensatory mitigation to ensure the project will result in no overall net loss of state water resources values.

HOW TO COMMENT

TDEC is requesting public comment on this proposed permit action. Obtaining a broad range of facts and opinions on Agency actions is one of the best ways to ensure appropriate decisions. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the Division. Written comments must be received within **thirty days following distribution of the approved public notice materials** (including signage and newspaper ad). Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced. Send all written comments to the Division's address listed below to the attention of the permit coordinator. You may also comment via email to water.permits@tn.gov.

After the Division makes a final certification decision, an appeal may be filed by the applicant or by any person who participated in the public comment period whose appeal is based on comments given to the Division in writing during the public comment period or in testimony at a formal public hearing. Only the terms that are subject of this modification may be appealed. Rule 0400-40-07-.04(9)(b). If it is hard for you to read, speak, or understand English, TDEC may be able to provide translation or interpretation services free of charge. Please contact Alisha Looper at 615-571-4470 or <u>alisha.looper@tn.gov</u>.

Si le resulta difícil leer, hablar o comprender inglés, TDEC puede proporcionarle servicios de traducción o interpretación sin cargo comunicándose con Alisha Looper al 615-571-4470 <u>alisha.looper@tn.gov</u>.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Tennessee Division of Water Resources will hold a public hearing regarding this permit action. A Notice of Hearing that contains details on the public hearing will be advertised concurrently with this Public Notice announcement.

FILE REVIEW

The permit application, supporting documentation, including detailed plans and maps, draft permit and rationale, and related comments are available for review on the internet at the Division's dataviewer at https://dataviewers.tdec.tn.gov/dataviewers/f?p=9034:34051::::34051:PERMIT_NUMBER:NRS https://dataviewers.tdec.tn.gov/dataviewers/f?p=9034:34051::::34051:PERMIT_NUMBER:NRS https://dataviewers/f?p=9034:34051::::34051:PERMIT_NUMBER:NRS https://dataviewers/f?p=9034:34051 https://dataviewers/f?p=9034:34051 https://dataviewers/f?p=9034:34051 https://dataviewers/f?p=9034:34051 htt

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