



# PUBLIC NOTICE

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)  
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program/401 Certification  
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## Notice of Application for State Water Quality Certification

**Public Notice (PN) Date:** September 24, 2021  
**PN Expiration Date:** October 14, 2021

**PN Reference Number:** POA-2021-00361  
**Waterway:** Putuligayuk River

Any applicant for a federal license or permit to conduct an activity that might result in a discharge into navigable waters, in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) of 1977 (PL95-217), also must apply for and obtain certification from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation that the discharge will comply with the CWA, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws.

Notice is hereby given that a request for a CWA §401 Water Quality Certification of a Department of the Army (DA) Permit application, Corps of Engineers' Reference Number POA-2021-00361 Putuligayuk River, has been received for the discharge of dredged and/or fill materials into waters of the United States (WOUS), including wetlands, as described below and shown on the enclosed project figures/drawings. The public notice and related project figures/drawings are also accessible from the DEC website at <http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/>.

Any person desiring to comment on the project with respect to water quality, may submit comments electronically via the DEC public notice site (**preferred method**) at <https://water.alaskadec.commentinput.com/?id=QeAsP>.

Alternatively you may direct written comments or requests for public hearing via email or mail to the address listed above by the Public Notice (PN) expiration date. All comments submitted via mail or email should include the PN reference number listed above in the subject heading. Mailed comments must be postmarked on or before the expiration date of the public notice.

**Applicant:** Hilcorp North Slope LLC, David Buehring, SVP Tech Services, 3800 Centerpoint Dr #1400 Anchorage AK 99503, 713-899-2925, [dbuehring@hilcorp.com](mailto:dbuehring@hilcorp.com).

**Project Name:** Putuligayuk River Hilcorp PBU L Pad Expansion

**Location:** The proposed activity is located within Section 34, T. 12N., R. 11E.; Latitude 70.350188° N., Longitude -149.327880° W., Meridian; in Deadhorse, Alaska.

**Purpose:** The purpose of this project is to accommodate new wells for increased production and oil retrieval at L Pad.

**Project Description:** Expand L Pad approximately 530 feet by 300 feet to the west, impacting 160,000 square feet of wetlands (3.7 acres). Approximately 25,000 cubic yards of gravel will be used as fill. Gravel will be sourced from the Put 23 mine site and supplemented with clean gravel from Sagavanirktok River annual reclamation activities. Side slopes will be 2:1. Equipment for pad expansion will include: dump trucks, front end loaders, graders/blade tractors, compactor. Drill fourteen (14) new wells on the west side of L Pad, including associated well houses and infrastructure. Install divert module and associated

pilings. Install tie-in piping and electrical cabling from the new wells to existing infrastructure and new divert module.

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After reviewing the application, the Department may certify there is reasonable assurance the activity, and any discharge that might result, will comply with the CWA, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. The Department also may deny or waive certification.

The permit application and associated documents are available for review. For inquires or to request copies of the documents, contact [dec-401cert@alaska.gov](mailto:dec-401cert@alaska.gov), or call 907-269-6285.

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