



# NOTICE OF REVIEW

## APDES Preliminary Draft Permit

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)  
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program  
555 Cordova Street  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

### NOTICE OF REVIEW OF AN ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES) **PRELIMINARY DRAFT PERMIT** TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

DEC has prepared an APDES preliminary draft permit for the City of Homer. The Preliminary Draft Permit and associated documents are available to the applicant for a 10-day review. Following the close of the 10-day applicant review period, DEC will prepare a draft permit and fact sheet for a formal 30-day public review period. Public comments will be accepted during the formal 30-day review period. You can access the documents on DEC's Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program webpage at <http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/>.

A Fact Sheet and associated documents are available for review. For inquiries or to request copies of documents, contact:

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#### **Preliminary Draft Permit Review:**

**Start Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2021

**End Date:** Wednesday, October 20, 2021, 11:59 pm Alaska Standard Time

**Permit No:** AK0021245

**Applicant:** City of Homer  
Homer Wastewater Treatment Facility  
3575 Heath Street  
Homer, Alaska 99603

#### **Proposed Project and Location:**

Wastewater is treated to secondary standards at the Homer WWTF. Treatment at the facility consists of primary treatment, deep-shaft activated sludge, flotation clarifiers, an ultraviolet radiation disinfection chamber and a supplemental/back-up chlorination and dechlorination unit. The treated wastewater is then discharged to Kachemak Bay through the facility's outfall at approximately 2178 feet (664 meters) offshore located at 59° 37' 58" North latitude and 151° 32' 52" West longitude. The Facility has a continuous discharge which occurs at a monthly average rate of 880,000 gallons per day to Kachemak Bay. A mixing zone is proposed for ammonia, fecal coliform, and enterococci bacteria.

**Administrative Record:**

The APDES preliminary draft permit, fact sheet, and associated documents are available for public review at the DEC offices located in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Soldotna, and Wasilla. Please contact the office of your choice to arrange for hard copies of the documents to be available for your review.

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If you would like further information or to see any additional supporting technical documents, contact Amber Bennett. The documents are also accessible from the DEC website at:

<http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/>.

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