PUBLIC NOTICE

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program
555 Cordova Street, Anchorage AK9501-2617

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AN ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES) INDIVIDUAL PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

Public Notice (PN) Start Date: June 10, 2026 **PN Expiration Date**: July 10, 2026

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has tentatively determined to reissue a wastewater discharge permit for the activity below.

DEC has prepared an APDES Draft Individual Permit. The Draft Permit and associated documents are available for a 30-day public review. Following the close of the 30-day review period, DEC will prepare a final permit, fact sheet, and response to comments. You can access the documents on DEC's Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program webpage at: https://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/.

Permit No: AK0029840 - Hilcorp North Slope, LLC - Prudhoe Bay Seawater Treatment Plant

Applicant: Hilcorp North Slope, LLC - Seawater Treatment Plant; Stefansson Sound, Beaufort Sea; 900 E. Benson Blvd.; Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Proposed Project and Location: The proposed permit covers the discharge for Prudhoe Bay Seawater Treatment Plant into Stefansson Sound, Beaufort Sea. The Facility is located at the end of the West Dock Causeway, Prudhoe Bay, Alaska and functions as a treatment and distribution point for waterflood used to maintain formation pressures to allow for enhanced oil recovery. The discharge will be permitted to occur from Outfall 001 – Strainer Backwash. The discharge of Strainer Backwash includes the authorization of a chronic mixing zone for change in temperature (ΔT) and pH. An acute mixing zone is included for total residual chlorine.

DEC Contact: Amy Wockenfuss, (907) 269-8874, Amy.Wockenfuss@alaska.gov.

Public Comments: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on the APDES draft permit must be submitted within 30 days of the issuance of this public notice. Any person desiring to comment on the permit may submit comments electronically via the DEC public notice website (preferred) at: https://dec.alaska.gov/commish/public-notices/.

Alternatively, you may direct written comments and requests to the attention of the DEC contact/permit writer at the email address or postal address identified above.

All comments should include the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the commenter and a concise statement of comment on the permit condition(s) and the relevant facts upon which the comment is based. Comments of either support or concern that are directed at specific, cited permit requirements are appreciated. Mailed comments and requests must be postmarked on or before the expiration date of the public notice.

DEC will consider all comments when making the final decision and will respond to received comments in a Response to Comments document issued when DEC issues a final permit. The Response to Comments will be made available to the public.

Any interested person may submit a written request for a public hearing if no hearing has already been scheduled. A request for a public hearing shall state the nature of the issues to be raised, as well as the requester's name, address, phone number, and email. DEC will hold a public hearing whenever DEC finds, on the basis of requests, a significant degree of public interest in a draft permit. DEC may also hold a public hearing if a hearing might clarify one or more issues involved in a permit decision or for other good reason in DEC's discretion.

DEC will transmit the final permit, fact sheet (amended as appropriate), and Response to Comments to anyone who provided comments during the public review period or requested to be notified of DEC final decision.

Deadline for Written Comments or Request for Public Hearing: **July 10, 2026** at 11:59 p.m. AKDT

Administrative Record: The APDES draft permit, fact sheet, permit application, 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.

- 555 Cordova Street; **Anchorage**, AK 99501; 907-269-6285
- 610 University Avenue; **Fairbanks**, AK 99709; 907-451-2100
- P.O. Box 1800; **Juneau**, AK 99811-1800
  Location: 410 Willoughby Street, Suite 303; **Juneau**, AK; 907-465-5300
- 43335 Kalifornsky Beach Road; **Soldotna**, AK 99615; 907-262-5210
- 1700 E Bogard Road #B, Suite #103; **Wasilla**, AK 99654; 907-376-1850

If you would like to see additional supporting technical documents, contact the DEC Contact listed above.

To receive email notifications about the APDES Program, including when permits are available for review, subscribe to the APDES email list at https://list.state.ak.us/mailman/listinfo/DEC-APDES/.

Disability Reasonable Accommodation Notice: The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation, complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact ADA Coordinator Kristin Mabry, kristin.mabry@alaska.gov, 1-907-334-0884; or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 at least 3 days prior to the expiration/closure date of this public notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.