

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



## NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING AND EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT ON A PROPOSED RENEWAL WITH AMENDMENT OF GENERAL PERMIT TXG870000 AUTHORIZING THE DISCHARGE OF PESTICIDES

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or commission) is proposing to renew and amend Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit TXG870000. This general permit authorizes the application of pesticides (including insecticides, nematicides, rodenticides, fungicides, and herbicides) into or over, including near, waters of the United States. The draft general permit applies to the entire state of Texas. This general permit is authorized by Section 402 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and Chapter 26 of the Texas Water Code.

**The commission will hold a second hybrid in person and virtual public meeting on March 17, 2026, and extend the deadline for receipt of written comments on the proposed general permit due to agency error.**

**DRAFT GENERAL PERMIT.** The executive director has prepared a draft pesticide general permit renewal with amendments and the pesticide use patterns covered under this permit include mosquito and other nuisance insect pests, vegetation and algae, nuisance animal, area-wide and forest canopy pest control. No significant degradation of high quality waters is expected and existing uses will be maintained and protected. The executive director proposes to require certain dischargers to submit a Notice of Intent to obtain authorization to discharge.

The executive director has reviewed this action for consistency with the goals and policies of the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP) according to General Land Office regulations and has determined that the action is consistent with applicable CMP goals and policies.

On the date that the original notice was published, January 23, 2026, a copy of the draft general permit and fact sheet will be available for a minimum of 30 days for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk located at the TCEQ Austin office, at 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building F. These documents will also be available at the TCEQ's 16 regional offices and on the TCEQ website at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/general/index.html>.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments about this general permit. In addition, the TCEQ will hold an additional public meeting on this proposed general permit. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit written or oral comments or to ask questions about the draft general permit. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

*Si desea información en Español, puede llamar 1-800-687-4040.*

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