

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

# State Update: Regulatory & Permitting Activities

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- Regulatory Activities
  - Triennial Review
  - E-reporting
- Permitting
  - Wastewater
  - Stormwater



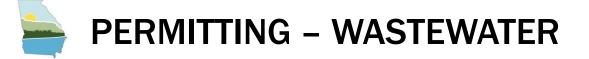
### Triennial Review

- Initiated in 2016 with public feedback through 2018
- Updates include:
  - Clarify the antidegradation rule;
  - Explicitly incorporate the use of compliance schedules in NPDES permits;
  - Clarify the definition for "estuarine waters";
  - Include pH in the definition of "natural conditions";
  - Adopt EPA's recommended aquatic life cadmium criteria;
  - Adopt bacteria criteria for the protection of secondary contact recreation;
  - Develop site-specific lake standards that include numeric chlorophyll, nutrient criteria for Lakes Oconee, Sinclair;



- Electronic Reporting Rule (2015)
  - Increase transparency and efficiency
  - GEOS Public Portal: epd.georgia.gov/geos/

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GEOS Technical Assistance	Training Events
In December 2014, the <u>Georgia EPD Online System (GEOS</u> ) was introduced as the r online portal for electronic permit applications for NPDES Municipal Wastewater Disc Permits and Title V Air Quality Permits. Currently, online permits include Brownfield Construction Storm Water, Storm Water Industrial, Hazardous Substance Fee, Haza	charge GEOS Training Events See the list of upcoming Training Events for GEOS.

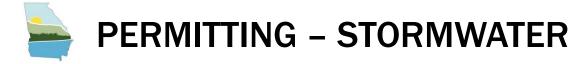


- Barrow Co.
  - New pretreatment permit (0.025 MGD) for Price Industries (metal finishing) to Tanner's Bridge WPCP
- Greene Co.
  - New Greenbriar Sand facility covered under NPDES general permit (removing silt from Lake Oconee)
- Jackson Co.
  - Commerce Northside WPCP permit modified to include a Cityoperated pretreatment facility
  - KEMRON Environmental Services issued discharge permit for treated wastewater from a fluids treatment system for the former Agri-Cycle pond closure project in Talmo
  - LAS permit issued to Walton Development & Management for Arcade Meadows LAS (0.25 MGD)



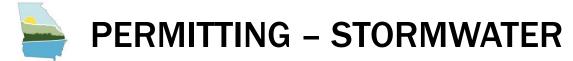
## PERMITTING – WASTEWATER

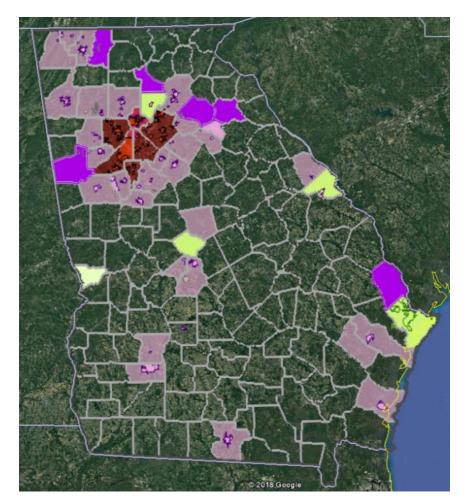
- Laurens Co.
  - Griffin Industries expanded LAS system from 0.1 to 0.125 MGD
- Oconee Co.
  - New LAS permit issued to Oconee County Schools, Dove Creek Elementary School (0.01 MGD)
- Washington Co.
  - Industrial pretreatment permit issued to Howard Sheppard, Inc. (0.084 MGD) for truck tank wash water discharge to Sandersville WPCP
  - Permit issued to new Imerys Clays' Danzy Mine in Deepstep
- Wilkinson Co.
  - New permits issued to Arcilla Mining & Land Company for 7 mine pump out discharge points
  - New permits issued to Active Minerals International for 3 kaolin mining locations in Gordon

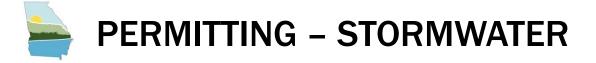


- Industrial Stormwater
  - 1 general permit
  - Reissued June 1, 2017
  - All submittals electronic
  - Compliance assistance

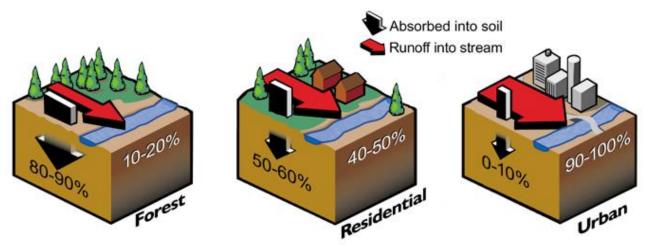


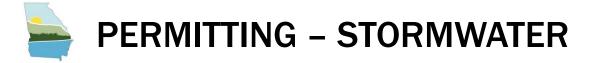






- Municipal Stormwater
  - Phase II MS4 permit reissued December 6, 2017
  - Phase II MS4 Remand Rule (2016)
    - Specific program requirements
    - Clear, concise and measurable
  - Green Infrastructure





- Construction Stormwater
  - 3 general permits
  - Reissued August 1, 2018
  - Construction and Development Rule (2014)
    - Cover construction waste and building materials
  - Renewal window closes next week





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