



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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

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

**DEC Contact:**

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**Draft Permit Public Notice Period**

Public Notice Start Date: **October 31, 2016**  
Public Notice Expiration Date: **December 2, 2016**

**Permit Number: AK0000507**

**Applicant:**

Agrium Kenai Nitrogen Operations  
Mile 21 Kenai Spur Hwy  
P.O. Box 575  
Kenai, AK 99611

**Proposed Project and Location:**

Facility Activity: The Agrium Kenai Nitrogen Operations operates a nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing and export facility.

Discharge Location: The treated wastewater from the Agrium Kenai Nitrogen Operations Wastewater Facility is proposed to be discharged to the Cook Inlet at 60.67151211 North by 151.39174974 West.

Description of Discharge: The average discharge volume is 0.870 million gallons per day. The Department has identified following parameters as pollutants of concern: ammonia, organic nitrogen, temperature, oil & grease, total residual chlorine, pH, arsenic, copper, manganese, nickel, zinc, total aromatic hydrocarbons, total aqueous hydrocarbons, and whole effluent toxicity.

Mixing Zone: The permit authorizes a chronic mixing zone for: ammonia, total residual chlorine (TRC), pH, temperature, and whole effluent toxicity. An acute mixing zone is authorized for ammonia and TRC.

**Tentative Determination:**

DEC has tentatively determined to reissue a discharge permit to the above listed applicant.

**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. Please direct written comments and requests to the attention of Mike Martz at the address or email identified above. All comments should include the name, address, and telephone number 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 and telephone number. 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:  
December 2, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. AST**

**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, Soldotna, Juneau and Fairbanks. 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 Mike Martz.

The documents are also accessible from the DEC website at:

<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/wwdp/index.htm>

To receive email notifications about the APDES Program, including when permits are available to review, follow the link below to join the APDES email list.

[http://dec.alaska.gov/water/npdes/npdes\\_email\\_list.htm](http://dec.alaska.gov/water/npdes/npdes_email_list.htm)

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