

EPA PUBLIC NOTICE

Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program

Notice of Proposed Permit Issuance for Pennhills Resources, LLC

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 3 (EPA) is issuing a proposed permit under the authority of the federal Underground Injection Control (UIC) regulations at 40 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Parts 124, 144, 146, and 147 to Pennhills Resources, LLC.

Description: Pennhills applied for one (1) UIC Class II enhanced recovery injection well permit, to be used for the injection of produced fluids through three (3) injection wells to enhance the recovery of oil. The injection wells are located in the Allegheny National Forest, Wetmore Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania. The draft permit will allow Pennhills to inject produced fluids into the Haskell Sandstone formation at depths of approximately 2,410 feet. If the final permit is issued to Pennhills, it will remain in effect for the operational life of the facility. A permit is required to meet the provisions of the EPA-administered UIC Program in Pennsylvania.

Tentative Public Hearing: EPA has tentatively scheduled a virtual public hearing on September 15, 2020. An in-person hearing will not take place. The call-in information for the teleconference is listed below:

Call-in Number: (866) 609-3139 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Eastern Standard Time

There is no need to register in advance for the virtual hearing. You may call 15 minutes in advance of the start time or any time during the session to listen to the hearing. During the hearing, callers will receive instructions on how to join the queue to make a comment. The operator will call on people to deliver their oral comments. The virtual hearing is an audio-only teleconference. Participants who want to supply written or printed materials, should do so via email.

Requests to hold this public hearing must be received via email or telephone by EPA by September 8, 2020. When requesting a public hearing, please state the nature of the issues you propose to raise. EPA expressly reserves the right to cancel this hearing unless a significant degree of public interest is evidenced by September 8, 2020.

EPA Requests Public Comments on the Permit Issuance

Public Comments on the permit issuance will be accepted until September 14, 2020

The administrative record for this permitting action is available for review. The draft permit, the statement of basis for the draft permit, and permit application materials have been posted on EPA's website at <https://www.epa.gov/pa/epa-public-notice-pennsylvania>. Comments on the draft permit may be directed to:

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