

**NOTICE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW OF THE TWO FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:**

- **DRAFT STATE WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT AUTHORIZING DISCHARGE OF CONTAMINATED GROUNDWATER TO GROUND**
- **DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE UNDER THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT FOR PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF THE ABOVE PERMIT**

State Waste Discharge Permit Number: ST0501318

Applicant: GWI Holdings Inc/GACO Western  
18700 Southcenter Parkway  
Tukwila, King County

GWI Holdings Inc/GACO Western has applied for a State Waste Discharge permit in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and Chapter 173-216 Washington Administrative Code (WAC).

The wastewater, following treatment, must meet the requirements of the Washington State Water Pollution Control Act and applicable regulations for a permit to be issued. Following evaluation of the application and other available information, the Department of Ecology has developed a draft permit which would authorize the discharge of contaminated groundwater to ground for treatment under conditions specified in the permit.

A tentative determination has been made on the effluent limitations and special permit conditions that will prevent and control pollution. A final determination, with respect to the issuance of the permit and the conditions contained therein, will not be made until all timely comments received in response to this notice have been evaluated.

In addition, the Department of Ecology, as SEPA (*State Environmental Policy Act*) lead agency for this project, has determined that the project will not have a probable adverse impact on the environment. Accordingly, the Department of Ecology has issued a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) for the project. The Determination of Non-Significance, draft state waste discharge permit, and draft permit fact sheet, can be obtained by inquiry to the address shown below, or may be viewed at the website below. Comments on these documents and proposed actions must be filed within 30 days from publication of this notice.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT AND INFORMATION**

The draft permit, fact sheet, SEPA environmental checklist, and SEPA determination of non-significance may be viewed at the Department of Ecology (Department) website: <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/paris/DocumentSearch.aspx> by entering permit number ST0501318. Due to the existing Stay Home, Stay Healthy order and associated building closures, these documents are not available for in-person viewing at this time. To request a hard copy, please call (425) 649-7000.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the issuance of the Determination of Non-Significance and proposed issuance of the state waste discharge permit. All comments must be submitted within 30 days after publication of this notice to be considered for the final determination. Comments should be sent to:

Water Quality Permit Coordinator  
Department of Ecology  
Northwest Regional Office  
3190 - 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE  
Bellevue, WA 98008-5452

Email comments should be sent to [tricia.miller@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:tricia.miller@ecy.wa.gov)

Any interested party may request a public hearing on the proposed permit within 30 days of the publication date of this notice. The request for a hearing shall state the interest of the party and the reasons why a hearing is necessary. For Washington Relay Service or TTY call 711 or 877-833-6341 or visit <https://ecology.wa.gov/accessibility>

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