

Specialty Minerals, Longview Water Quality Permit



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Department of Ecology
300 Desmond Dr
Lacey, WA 98503
Phone: 360-407-6916
Hours: Mon – Fri 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Comment period: Feb. 20 – Mar. 23 2020

We invite you to comment on the draft State Waste Discharge water quality permit for the Specialty Minerals facility in Longview.

In the proposed renewal of this permit:

- Water quality limits on pollution, and monitoring requirements, remain the same.
- We require the facility to update several plans, such as the Spill Control Plan, and to develop a new Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.

A detailed list of changes is available in the permit's support document, called a Fact Sheet.

Commenting

Effective comments tell us if we correctly applied current laws, rules, and regulations to this action. They:

- Are specific. Tell us what your concern is and how you think the permit should change.
- Are focused. Refer to the changes to the conditions and requirements in the permit.
- Describe the state or federal rules and regulations you think have not been applied correctly.

When the comment period ends, we'll review the comments received and make a final decision.

You may request a public hearing to ask questions and submit verbal comments. To request a hearing, contact:

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Your request must include your interest in the permits and reasons why a hearing should be held.

If we determine there is significant public interest during this comment period to hold a hearing, we will extend the comment period to allow at least 30 days notice and publish the time, date and location of the hearing.

Facility description

Located at 3515 Industrial Way in Longview, Washington, Specialty Minerals makes precipitated calcium carbonate by reacting carbon dioxide with slaked lime. Wastewater from this process is sent to the Nippon Dynawave pulp and paper mill for treatment. The mill then sends (discharges) treated wastewater to the Columbia River.

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