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JOINT EXTENSION OF EPA PUBLIC NOTICE OF A DRAFT NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE  
ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE INTO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES  
UNDER SECTION 402 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA), AS AMENDED; AND NHDES PUBLIC  
NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF A STATE SURFACE WATER PERMIT UNDER NH RSA 485-A:13, I(a).

ORIGINAL PUBLIC NOTICE PERIOD: **December 18, 2024 – February 3, 2025**

PUBLIC NOTICE EXTENDED TO: **February 18, 2025**

PERMIT NUMBER: **NH0100170**

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

City of Nashua  
9 Riverside Street  
Nashua, NH 03062

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF CO-PERMITTEE:

Town of Hudson  
Department of Public Works  
2 Constitution Drive  
Hudson, NH 03051

NAME AND LOCATION OF FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

Nashua Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF)  
Sawmill Road  
Nashua, NH 03060 and 9 combined sewer overflow (CSO) outfalls

RECEIVING WATER:

Merrimack River (WWTF Outfall 001 and CSO Outfalls 002 through 005; 014) (Hydrologic  
Unit Code 010700061206)  
Nashua River (CSO Outfalls 006 through 009) (Hydrologic Unit Code 010700040402)  
Merrimack River Watershed, Class B (both)

PREPARATION OF THE DRAFT PERMIT:

EPA is issuing for public notice and comment the Draft NPDES Permit for the Nashua Wastewater Treatment Facility which discharges treated domestic, industrial and commercial wastewater. The Town of Hudson is a co-Permittee for certain parts of the Permit. Sludge from this facility is treated on-site to produce digested biosolids and then loaded into trucks for distribution to farms within the state for land application as a soil enhancer. The effluent limits and permit conditions imposed have been drafted pursuant to, and assure compliance with, the CWA, including EPA-approved State Surface Water Quality Standards at Env-Wq 1700 et seq. NHDES cooperated with EPA in the development of the Draft NPDES Permit. NHDES plans to adopt EPA's permit under Chapter 485-A of the New Hampshire Statutes (NH RSA 485-A:13, I(a)). NHDES retains independent authority under State law to publish their CWA § 401 certification public notice separately from EPA's permit.

#### INFORMATION ABOUT THE DRAFT PERMIT:

The Draft Permit and explanatory Fact Sheet may be obtained at no cost at <https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/new-hampshire-draft-individual-npdes-permits> or by contacting:

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Any electronically available documents that are part of the administrative record can be requested from the EPA contact above.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT AND REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

All persons, including applicants, who believe any condition of the Draft Permit is inappropriate must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments supporting their position by **February 18, 2025**, which is the close of the public comment period. Comments, including those pertaining to NHDES proposed issuance of a State Surface Water Permit, should be submitted to the EPA contact at the address or email address listed above. If you prefer to submit comments by mail, please call or email the EPA contact above to make arrangements for that. Upon the close of the public comment period, EPA will make all comments available to NHDES.

Any person, prior to the close of the public comment period, may submit a request in writing to EPA and NHDES for a public hearing on the Draft Permit under 40 CFR § 124.10 and/or NHDES proposed issuance of a State Surface Water Permit. Such requests shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. A public hearing may be held if the Regional Administrator finds that response to this notice indicates significant public interest.

In reaching a final decision on this Draft Permit, the Regional Administrator will respond to all significant comments and make the responses available to the public.

FINAL PERMIT DECISION:

Following the close of the comment period, and after a public hearing, if such hearing is held, the Regional Administrator will issue a final permit decision and notify the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice.

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