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(2) controls (e.g. structural controls or BMPs) that should be added or modified;

(3) site map;

(4) inventory of exposed materials;

(5) description of the good housekeeping measures;

(6) description of structural and non-structural controls; and

(7) any other element of the plan that was either found to be inaccurate or will be modified.

6. Results of Inspections and Monitoring

If the findings of the inspections and monitoring activities in this section demonstrate compliance with the general permit, then the results of the monitoring are not required to be submitted to the TCEQ, unless specifically requested to do so. If the findings of the inspections and monitoring activities described in this section demonstrate non-compliance, the permittee shall submit the results to the TCEQ in accordance with Part III, Section E.6.

7. Exceptions to Periodic Inspections and Monitoring

Refer to Part III, Section D.4. for exceptions related to adverse weather conditions and inactive and unstaffed sites.

Section C. Numeric Effluent Limitations

This section describes two types of numeric effluent limitations. Numeric effluent limitations for hazardous metals and numeric effluent limitations for stormwater discharges subject to federal effluent limitations guidelines.

1. Numeric Limitations for Hazardous Metals

All permittees are required to monitor for hazardous metals, unless they qualify for a waiver as described in item (c) below. Monitoring results are kept onsite and are only submitted to TCEQ, when results exceed the daily maximum effluent limitation values in Table 1 below.

Table 1. Daily Maximum Effluent Limitation

Parameter (Total)	Discharges to Inland Waters (mg/L)	Discharges to Tidal Waters (mg/L)	Monitoring Frequency
Arsenic	0.3	0.3	1/Year
Barium	4.0	4.0	1/Year
Cadmium	0.2	0.3	1/Year
Chromium	5.0	5.0	1/Year
Copper	2.0	2.0	1/Year
Lead	1.5	1.5	1/Year
Manganese	3.0	3.0	1/Year

Parameter (Total)	Discharges to Inland Waters (mg/L)	Discharges to Tidal Waters (mg/L)	Monitoring Frequency
Mercury	0.01	0.01	1/Year
Nickel	3.0	3.0	1/Year
Selenium	0.2	0.3	1/Year
Silver	0.2	0.2	1/Year
Zinc	6.0	6.0	1/Year

(a) Sampling for Hazardous Metals. A grab sample must be collected at a minimum frequency of once per year at the final outfall or a designated sampling location (also see Part III, Section D.2.). For the purpose of collecting samples for hazardous metals, all designated sampling points must be representative of the discharge(s) from the facility that would reach surface water in the state.

(1) Samples of discharges collected at the final outfall must be collected either immediately prior to entering surface water in the state or immediately prior to leaving the permitted facility property.

(2) Samples of discharges collected at a designated sampling point must be collected in accordance with the requirements in Part III, Section E.4. of this permit.

A designated sampling point must be established when it can be determined that samples taken at a final outfall, as described in item (1) above, would not be considered representative of the discharge from the facility.

(3) If there is not an obvious outfall location, a designated sampling point may need to be created in accordance with the requirement in Part III, Section E.4.(a) of this permit.

(b) Reporting Requirements for Hazardous Metals.

(1) Monitoring must for Hazardous Metals be conducted prior to December 31 for each annual monitoring period and the results must be reported as required in Part III, Section E.6. A copy of the discharge monitoring report (DMR) must either be retained at the facility or must be made readily available for review upon request by authorized TCEQ personnel as well as any local pollution control agency with jurisdiction by March 31 following the annual monitoring period.

(2) Results of monitoring for determining compliance with numeric effluent limitations must be kept onsite and recorded on a DMR. The DMR must either be a copy of record from the NetDMR system, an original EPA No. 3320-1 form, a duplicate of the form, or as otherwise provided by the executive director.

(3) Analytical results that exceeds the effluent limitations, listed above in Table 1, are a permit violation and must be submitted electronically using the online NetDMR reporting system available through the TCEQ website, unless the permittee requests and obtains an electronic reporting waiver. Permittees that are issued an electronic reporting waiver shall submit analytical results to the TCEQ Enforcement Division (MC-224) on an approved DMR form (EPA No. 3320-1), a duplicate of the form, or as otherwise provided by the executive director.

(4) Results that exceeds one or more of the numeric limitations listed above in Table 1, must be reported by March 31 following the annual monitoring period in which the violation(s) occurred.

(c) Waiver from Hazardous Metals Monitoring.

Permittees qualify for a waiver from monitoring requirements for one or more hazardous metals if one of the following criteria is met, and the waiver is obtained by certifying the conditions exist. The criteria under which the waiver is claimed, must also be identified in the SWP3. This certification must be completed on a form provided by the executive director. A new form must be completed during each permit term, no later than prior to the first sampling event that the permittee is seeking to waive. The form must be either maintained onsite or made readily available for review upon request by authorized TCEQ personnel as well as any local pollution control agency with jurisdiction.

Waivers may be obtained on a metal by metal basis, or on an outfall by outfall basis as follows:

(1) the permittee certifies that the regulated facility does not use a raw material, produce an intermediate product, or produce a final product that contains one (1) or more of the hazardous metals listed in Table 1 above; or

(2) the permittee certifies that any raw materials, intermediate products, or final products that contain one or more hazardous metal are never exposed to stormwater or runoff (final products are not considered to expose hazardous metals to stormwater or runoff if the final product is designed for outdoor use, unless it is a product that could be transported by stormwater runoff or the final product will be used as a material or intermediate product); or

(3) the permittee collects a sample from the first available discharge from the facility occurring during first sampling period of this permit, analyzes the sample for one or more of the listed hazardous metals, and the results indicate that the metal(s) is/are not present in detectable levels. Test methods used must be sensitive enough to detect the following parameters at the MAL specified below, and results of sampling must be retained on site and available for review by TCEQ personnel:

Table 2. Minimum Analytical Levels (MAL) for Hazardous Metals

Pollutants	**MAL (mg/L)**
Arsenic, total	0.0005
Barium, total	0.003
Cadmium, total	0.001
Chromium, total	0.003
Copper, total	0.002
Lead, total	0.0005
Manganese, total	0.0005
Mercury, total	0.000005
Nickel, total	0.002

Pollutants	MAL (mg/L)
Selenium, total	0.005
Silver, total	0.0005
Zinc, total	0.005

When an analysis of a discharge sample for any of the parameters listed above indicates no detectable levels above the MAL, and the test method detection level is as sensitive as the specified MAL, a value of zero (0) may be used for that measurement, and a waiver may be obtained for the duration of the permit term following the sample collection, for any hazardous metal that measures zero (0).

(4) Hazardous metals monitoring waivers are effective beginning on the date that the waiver certification is made following submittal of an NOI and lasting for the duration of the term of this general permit. The permittee will be required to comply with any requirements of a reissued general permit with respect to sampling and waivers, including obtaining a new hazardous metals monitoring waiver (see the criteria listed above).

(d) Relation to Benchmark Monitoring. If a facility is required to sample for any of the above hazardous metals as part of the benchmark requirements in Part V, then the permittee is subject to the effluent limitations listed in Table 1 above for those hazardous metals sampled at a final outfall as part of benchmark monitoring. There are no waivers available for pollutants that are required in Part V of the general permit. If sampling for benchmark metals is not performed at a final outfall, then the above effluent limits may not apply for the benchmark sample if the sample is not representative of the discharge from the site. In this situation, the discharge must also be sampled at each final outfall to comply with the sampling and analyses requirements of this section.

2. Discharges Subject to Federal Categorical Guidelines

Part V of this general permit includes additional effluent limitations for certain stormwater discharges as required under 40 CFR Subchapter N Parts 400-471. Only those stormwater discharges identified in Table 3 below are eligible for coverage under this permit. The permittee is subject to the sampling and reporting requirements as stipulated below, along with the applicable sections of Part III, Section D, and Part V.

Table 3. Stormwater- Sector Specific Numeric Effluent Limitations Guidelines

Regulated Discharge	40 CFR Section	MSGP Sector
Discharges resulting from spray down or intentional wetting of logs at wet deck storage areas	Part 429, Subpart I	A
Runoff from phosphate fertilizer manufacturing facilities that comes into contact with any raw materials, finished products, by-products or waste products (SIC 2874)	Part 418, Subpart A	C
Runoff from asphalt emulsion facilities	Part 443, Subpart A	D

Regulated Discharge	40 CFR Section	MSGP Sector
Runoff from material storage piles at cement manufacturing facilities	Part 411, Subpart C	E
Mine dewatering discharges at crushed stone, construction sand and gravel, or industrial sand mining facilities	Part 436, Subparts B, C, and D	J
Runoff from coal storage piles at steam electric generating facilities	Part 423	O
Runoff containing urea from airfield pavement deicing at existing and new primary airports with 1,000 or more annual non-propeller aircraft departures	Part 449	S

(a) Sample Type: Grab samples must be collected for analyses prior to combining with other flows.

(b) Reporting Requirements for Sector Specific Numeric Effluent Limitations Guidelines. Monitoring for compliance with numeric effluent limitations guidelines in this section and in Part V is subject to the following requirements:

(1) Results of monitoring must be submitted online using the NetDMR reporting system available through the TCEQ website unless the permittee requests and obtains an electronic reporting waiver. Permittees that are issued an electronic reporting waiver shall submit analytical results to the TCEQ Enforcement Division (MC-224) on an approved DMR form (EPA No. 3320-1), a duplicate of the form, or as otherwise provided by the executive director.

(2) Monitoring must be conducted prior to December 31 for each annual monitoring period and the results must be submitted to TCEQ by March 31 of the following year, as described in Part III, Section E.6. of this permit.

(3) In addition, a copy of the DMR must either be retained at the facility or must be made readily available for review upon request by authorized TCEQ personnel as well as any local pollution control agency with jurisdiction my March 31 following the annual monitoring period.

Section D. General Monitoring and Records Requirements

1. Qualifying Storm Events

For purposes of the MSGP, a qualifying storm event is an event that results in a discharge from the permitted facility. For qualifying storm events, the following requirements apply:

(a) Monitoring, sampling, examinations, and inspections of stormwater discharges that are required as a provision of this general permit must be conducted on discharges from a measureable storm event that results in an actual discharge from the site, and that follows the preceding measurable storm event by at least 72 hours (3 days). The 72-hour storm interval does not apply if the permittee is able to document in the SWP3 that less than a 72-hour (3-day) interval is representative for local qualifying storm

events during the sampling period. In the case of snowmelt, the monitoring must be performed at a time when a measurable discharge occurs at the site.

(b) A facility that has retention ponds as BMPs will not always have a discharge from the pond(s) immediately following a qualifying storm event. If any storm events occurred prior to discharge from the outfall, regardless of the time period between the last storm event and the discharge, the permittee may consider the discharge to be the result of the previous qualifying storm event.

(c) The permittee shall maintain an on-site rain gauge, a representative weather station, or subject to TCEQ's approval, an alternative means of compliance to determine when a qualifying storm event occurs. The on-site rain gauge, representative weather station, or the alternative means of compliance must be monitored a minimum of once per week, and once per day during storm events. Records of the date and rainfall total must be retained on-site or made readily available for review. If there is no rain during a given week, the permittee shall monitor and record a zero rainfall total or no rain for the week. Monitoring and recordkeeping of the on-site rain gauge, representative weather station, or the alternative means of compliance may be temporarily suspended during a given monitoring period if a qualifying storm event has occurred and the required sampling and analyses or visual observations have been performed.

2. Representative Discharge Samples

(a) All samples must be representative of the discharge.

(1) Sampling should be conducted within the first 30 minutes of discharge using a grab sample. Sampling from retention ponds described in Part III, Section D.1.b. above should be conducted within 30 minutes of the initiation of discharge from the pond. If it is not practicable to collect the sample or to complete the sampling within the first 30 minutes, then sampling must be completed within the first hour of discharge.

If sampling is not completed within the first 30 minutes of discharge, the reason must be documented and attached to all required reports and records of the sampling activity.

In the case of snowmelt, samples must be taken during a period with a measurable discharge.

(2) If alternate sampling requirements are defined in the permit where numeric effluent limitations have been established, the permittee shall comply with the requirements described in the section with the numerical effluent limits; however, other applicable portions of this section will still apply.

(3) Authorized Stormwater Discharges that Combine with Other Permitted Flows. If stormwater discharges authorized under this general permit combine with other stormwater or with wastewater authorized under a separate permit, then sampling must be conducted at a point before the waters combine.

(4) Non-Stormwater Discharges. Monitoring of allowable non-stormwater discharges is only required when they are commingled with stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity.

(b) Representative Discharges from Substantially Similar Outfalls.

(1) Monitoring requirements apply to all outfalls authorized by this permit, unless the permittee establishes substantially similar outfall(s). If discharges of stormwater

through two (2) or more outfalls show substantially similar effluents, then sampling and monitoring may be conducted at only one (1) of those outfalls that are substantially similar, and the results may be reported as representative of the discharge from the substantially similar outfall(s).

Before results may be submitted as representative of discharges from substantially similar outfalls, the permittee shall ensure that the SWP3 includes a description of all outfall locations and a detailed justification of why the discharge qualities from the outfalls are substantially similar.

To determine if outfalls are substantially similar, the following characteristics of each outfall must be compared:

a. the industrial activities that occur in the drainage area to each outfall;

b. significant materials stored or handled within the drainage area to each outfall; and

c. the management practices and pollution control structures that occur within the drainage area of each outfall.

(2) Substantially similar outfalls may be established for the following monitoring requirements described in this general permit:

a. Quarterly Visual Monitoring (Part III, Section B.3);

b. Hazardous Metals Monitoring (Part III, Section C); and

c. Benchmark Monitoring (Parts IV and V)

(3) Substantially similar outfalls may not be established for the following:

a. Outfalls with any non-stormwater discharges; and

b. Outfalls with discharges subject to numeric effluent limits listed in Part V (sector-specific effluent limits).

(4) The following information must be documented in the SWP3 if the substantially similar outfall exception is being used for any required monitoring:

a. location of each of the substantially similar outfalls;

b. description of the general industrial activities conducted in the drainage area of each outfall;

c. description of the control measures implemented in the drainage area of each outfall;

d. description of the exposed materials located in the drainage area of each outfall that are likely to be significant contributors of pollutants to stormwater discharges;

e. estimate of the runoff coefficient of the drainage areas;

f. explanation regarding why the outfalls are expected to discharge substantially similar effluents; and

g. assurance that control measures have been assessed and modified as appropriate for each outfall represented by the monitored outfall, if necessary due to stormwater contamination being identified through visual assessment of substantially similar outfall.

3. Monitoring Periods

(a) Sampling, inspections, and examinations that are required on a quarterly basis must be conducted during the following periods:

First (1st) quarter: January 1 thru March 31;
Second (2nd) quarter: April 1 thru June 30;
Third (3rd) quarter: July 1 thru September 30; and
Fourth (4th) quarter: October 1 thru December 31.

Permittees shall begin required sampling, inspections, and examinations on a quarterly basis in the first full quarter following submission of an NOI.

(b) Sampling, inspections, and examinations that are required on a semiannual basis must be conducted during the following periods:

First (1st) period: January 1 thru June 30; and
Second (2nd) period: July 1 thru December 31.

Permittees shall begin required sampling, inspections, and examinations on a semiannual basis in the first full period following submission of an NOI.

(c) Monitoring, inspections, and examinations that are required on an annual basis must be conducted before December 31st of each calendar year, beginning with the calendar year that includes the first full quarter following submittal of an NOI.

4. Exceptions to Monitoring Requirements

(a) Adverse Conditions.

(1) Requirements to sample, inspect, examine or otherwise monitor stormwater discharges within a prescribed monitoring period may be temporarily suspended for adverse conditions. Adverse conditions are conditions that are either dangerous to personnel (e.g., high wind, excessive lightning) or conditions that prohibit access to a discharge (e.g., flooding, freezing conditions, extended periods of drought). Adverse conditions that result in the temporary suspension of a permit requirement to sample, inspect, examine, or otherwise monitor stormwater discharges must be documented and included as part of the SWP3. Documentation must include:

a. the date and time of the adverse condition,

b. names of personnel that witnessed the adverse condition,

c. a narrative for the nature of the adverse condition, and

d. readings of the on-site rain gauge, representative weather station, or subject to TCEQ's approval, the alternative means of compliance.

(2) Monitoring Waivers. When monitoring is temporarily suspended due to adverse conditions, that monitoring must be conducted at the next representative rain event or in the next monitoring period, whichever comes first, in addition to any monitoring required for that period. If the temporarily suspended monitoring requirement cannot be fulfilled during the next monitoring period due to continued adverse conditions, then it is permanently waived for both monitoring periods.

(3) The SWP3 must include records of why monitoring was temporarily suspended due to adverse conditions.

(b) Inactive Facilities. Permitted facilities in this inactive status must provide written notice to the executive director of this status by submitting an NOC. Following this notification, permit requirements to sample, inspect, examine, or otherwise monitor stormwater discharges are waived during the period that a facility maintains inactive status, unless the requirements in Part V. of this permit include specific requirements for inactive facilities.

Inactive facilities must notify the executive director by submitting an NOC according to Part II.C.6 at least 48 hours before commencing industrial activities and transferring to active status.

(c) Lack of Qualifying Storm Event. When monitoring was not possible due to a lack of a qualifying storm event as documented in the rain gauge recording, representative weather station, or subject to TCEQ's approval, the alternative means of compliance, monitoring is temporarily suspended.

5. Records Retention

Monitoring and reporting records, copies of all other records required by this general permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this general permit must be retained at the facility or must be made readily available for review upon request by authorized TCEQ personnel as well as any local pollution control agency with jurisdiction for a period of three (3) years from the date of the record or sample, measurement, report, application, or certification. This period must be extended at the request of the executive director.

The SWP3 must be maintained and be made readily available for inspection and review upon request by authorized TCEQ personnel as well as any local pollution control agency with jurisdiction. Additionally, a copy of all SWP3s for the preceding three (3) year period must be maintained and made readily available for review. In circumstances where the number of revisions to the SWP3 makes this requirement burdensome, a log or record of revisions for the preceding three (3) year period may be maintained and made available.

If the general permit is terminated or allowed to expire without renewal, the SWP3 must be maintained and made readily available for review for a minimum period of one (1) year following cessation of permit coverage.

6. Monitoring and Inspection Documentation

The procedures for conducting the required analytical monitoring must be documented in the SWP3.

(a) For each type of monitoring required in the permit, the SWP3 must include the following:

(1) a list of locations where samples are collected, including any determination that two (2) or more stormwater only outfalls are considered to be substantially similar;

(2) parameters that must be sampled, including the frequency of sampling for each parameter;

(3) schedules for conducting monitoring activities;

(4) any numeric control values applicable to discharges from each outfall (e.g., benchmark sampling levels, numeric effluent limitations, or other requirements); and

(5) procedures for gathering storm event data.

(b) If the permittee is not conducting monitoring due to claiming an inactive and unstaffed site, the information to support this claim must be included in the SWP3.

(c) The procedures for performing the inspections specified by this permit must be documented in the SWP3, including routine facility inspections, quarterly visual assessment of stormwater discharges, and comprehensive site inspections.

For each type of inspection performed, the SWP3 must identify the person(s) or positions of person(s) responsible for inspection; schedules for conducting inspections, including tentative schedule for facilities in climates with irregular stormwater runoff discharges; and specific items to be covered by the inspection, including schedules for specific outfalls.

Section E. Standard Permit Conditions

30 TAC Chapter 305 requires certain regulations appear as standard conditions in waste discharge permits. 30 TAC §§305.121 - 305.129, Subchapter F, Permit Characteristics and Conditions, as promulgated under the TWC §§5.103 and 5.105, the Texas Health and Safety Code §§361.017 and 361.024(a), and those sections of 40 CFR Part 122 adopted by reference by the Commission, establish the characteristics and standards for waste discharge permits. This section includes these conditions and incorporates them into this general permit. More specific requirements for some of these standard permit conditions may be defined for specific sectors of industrial activity that are authorized to discharge under this general permit.

1. General Conditions

(a) Duty to Comply.

(1) Submission of an NOI for permit coverage is an acknowledgment that the applicant agrees to comply with the conditions of the general permit. Acceptance of authorization under the provisions of this general permit constitutes acknowledgment and agreement that the permittee will comply with all the terms and conditions embodied in the permit, and the rules and other orders of the Commission.

(2) The permittee has a duty to comply with all conditions of the permit. Failure to comply with any permit condition constitutes a violation of the permit and the Texas Water Code or the Texas Health and Safety Code and is grounds for enforcement action, for revocation or suspension of coverage under this general permit, and for requiring a permittee to apply for a TPDES individual permit or coverage under an alternative general permit.

(b) Toxic Pollutants.

(1) If any toxic effluent standard or prohibition is promulgated according to the TWC §26.023 for a toxic pollutant that is present in the discharge and that standard or prohibition is more stringent than the conditions of this general permit, this general permit must be modified or revoked and reissued to conform to the toxic effluent standard or prohibition.

(2) The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established according to the TWC §26.023 for toxic pollutants within the time provided in the regulations that established those standards or prohibitions, even if this general permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

(c) Permit Flexibility. Authorization under this general permit may be modified, suspended or revoked for cause according to 30 TAC §§305.62 and 305.66 and the TWC Section §7.302. The filing of a notice of planned changes or anticipated non-compliance does not stay any permit condition.

(d) Property Rights. A permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.

(e) Duty to Provide Information. The permittee shall furnish to the executive director, upon request, any information, including records that are maintained as a requirement of this permit, necessary to determine whether cause exists for revoking, suspending, or terminating authorization under this general permit.

(f) Criminal and Civil Liability.

(1) As provided by state law, the permittee is subject to administrative, civil and criminal penalties, as applicable, for negligently or knowingly violating the CWA, the TWC, Chapters 26, 27, and 28, and Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 361, including but not limited to: knowingly making any false statement, representation, or certification on any report, record, or other document submitted or required to be maintained under this permit, including monitoring reports or reports of compliance or non-compliance; falsifying or tampering with or knowingly rendering inaccurate any monitoring device or method required by this permit; or violating any other requirement imposed by state or federal regulations. Nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for non-compliance.

(2) Any false or materially misleading representation or concealment of information required to be reported by the provisions of the permit or applicable regulation, which avoids or effectively defeats the regulatory purpose of this general permit, may subject the permittee to criminal enforcement.

(g) Severability. The provisions of this general permit are severable and if any provision of this permit or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this general permit, shall not be affected thereby.

2. Proper Operation and Maintenance

(a) Need to Halt or Reduce Not a Defense. It is not a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this general permit.

(b) Duty to Mitigate. The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or other permit violation that has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

(c) Operation of Treatment and Control Systems.

(1) The permittee shall at all times ensure that the facility and all of its systems of collection, treatment, and disposal are properly operated and maintained in a manner that will minimize discharges of excessive pollutants and will achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also include adequate laboratory controls and appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of backup or auxiliary systems that are installed by a permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit.

(2) The permittee shall provide an adequate operating staff that is duly qualified to carry out operation, maintenance, and testing functions required to ensure compliance with the conditions of this general permit.

(d) Anticipated Non-compliance. The permittee shall give advance notice to the executive director of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity that may result in non-compliance with permit requirements.

3. Inspection and Entry Requirements

(a) Inspection and Entry. Inspection and entry must be allowed as prescribed in the TWC Chapters 26, 27, and 28, and Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 361.

(b) Entry to Public or Private Property. The members of the Commission and employees and agents of the Commission are entitled to enter any public or private property at any reasonable time for the purpose of inspecting and investigating conditions relating to the quality of surface water in the state or the compliance with any rule, regulation, permit or other order of the Commission. Members, employees, or agents of the Commission and Commission contractors are entitled to enter public or private property at any reasonable time to investigate or monitor or, if the responsible party is not responsive or there is an immediate danger to public health or the environment, to remove or remediate a condition related to the quality of surface water in the state. Members, employees, Commission contractors, or agents acting under this authority who enter private property shall observe the establishment's rules and regulations concerning safety, internal security, and fire protection, and if the property has management in residence, shall notify management or the person then in charge of his presence and shall exhibit proper credentials. If any member, employee, Commission contractor, or agent is refused the right to enter in or on public or private property under this authority, the executive director may invoke the remedies authorized in TWC §7.002.

4. Monitoring and Sampling

(a) Representative Sampling. Samples and measurements taken for the purpose of monitoring must be representative of the monitored activity or activities and must be taken at an outfall or outfalls that will best represent the types of industrial activity or activities conducted at a facility site. If no obvious outfall location is present (e.g., a diffuse point source), the permittee may need to create a sampling point. This may include creating a depression or using physical means (e.g., sandbags or curbs) to direct the runoff for easier collection for sampling and measurement purposes.

(b) Benchmark Monitoring. This type of monitoring differs from monitoring for compliance with numeric effluent limitations. Results from benchmark monitoring are used to determine if the selected BMPs are effective. The samples should be collected from internal or external outfalls where the BMPs are installed.

(c) Monitoring Procedures.

(1) Unless otherwise specified in this permit, test procedures for the analysis of pollutants shall comply with procedures specified in 30 TAC §§319.11 - 319.12.

(2) All laboratory tests submitted to demonstrate compliance with this permit must meet the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 25, Environmental Testing Laboratory Accreditation and Certification.

(d) Monitoring Results. Monitoring results must be provided at the intervals specified in this general permit.

(e) Additional Monitoring by the Permittee. If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this general permit using approved analytical methods, all results of the monitoring must be included in the calculation and reporting of the values recorded on the DMR and must be included in any other calculation, record, or reports required to be maintained as a provision of this general permit. Increased frequency of sampling must be indicated on the DMR.

5. Records Requirements

(a) Retention of Records.

(1) The period records are required to be retained must be automatically extended to the date of the final disposition of any administrative or judicial enforcement action that may be instituted against the permittee.

(2) Monitoring and reporting records, including records of calibration and maintenance, and copies of all records and reports required by this permit, must be retained at the facility or must be readily available for review by a TCEQ representative for a period of three years from the date of the record or sample, measurement, report, application or certification unless otherwise specified in this permit. This period must be extended at the request of the executive director.

(b) Record Contents.

Records of monitoring must include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) date, time, and place of sample or measurement;

(2) identity of the individual who collected the sample, made the measurement or observation, or performed the analysis;

(3) date and time the sample, measurement, or observation was made, and the analysis conducted;

(4) identity of the individual and laboratory who performed the analysis;

(5) technique or method of analysis;

(6) results of the measurement, observation, or analysis; and

(7) quality assurance/quality control records.

6. Reporting Requirements

(a) Self-Reporting of Numeric Effluent Limits Results.

(1) Results of analyses for determining compliance with numeric effluent limitations must be submitted online using the NetDMR reporting system available through the TCEQ website unless the permittee requests and obtains an electronic reporting waiver. Permittees that are issued an electronic reporting waiver shall submit analytical results to the TCEQ Enforcement Division (MC-224) on an approved DMR form (EPA No. 3320-1). Effluent sampling shall be conducted in accordance with the monitoring frequencies specified in this general permit.

(2) Monitoring must be conducted prior to December 31 for each annual monitoring period. Results of the monitoring must be recorded on a DMR and made available by March 31 of the following year as described below:

a. DMRs for hazardous metals sampling (see Part III, Section C.1. of this general permit) must either be retained at the facility or must be otherwise made readily available for review upon request by March 31 of the following year. DMRs are only submitted to TCEQ, when results exceed permit limits in Table 1, Part III, Section C.1.

b. In addition, DMRs for the following sampling results must be submitted online using the NetDMR reporting system, unless the permittee has obtained an electronic reporting waiver, in which case a paper DMR form must be submitted:

(i) Exceedance of any numeric effluent limits for hazardous metals. (also see Part III, Section E.6.(b) below), and

(ii) Results of all sampling and monitoring performed to comply with federal numeric effluent limitations guidelines (40 CFR Subchapter N - Parts 400 through 471) as described in Part III, Section C.2 and Part V of this permit (See Part V, Sections A.7., C.4., D.4., E.5., J.6., O.5., and S.6.).

c. If no discharge occurs from facilities subject to monitoring for numeric effluent limitations, a DMR must be submitted that indicates no discharge occurred during the reporting period. In addition to reporting requirements for numeric effluent limits that are recorded on DMRs, the permittee shall report to the TCEQ the results of all sampling and monitoring performed to comply with any non-numeric requirements as described in Part V of this permit, and this information shall be submitted along with the DMR form by March 31 of each year.

(b) Non-compliance Notification.

(1) According to 30 TAC §305.125(9) any non-compliance that may endanger human health or safety, or the environment, must be reported by the permittee to the TCEQ. Report of such information must be provided orally or by electronic facsimile transmission (fax) to the TCEQ regional office within 24 hours of becoming aware of the non-compliance. A written report must be provided by the permittee to the TCEQ regional office and to the TCEQ Enforcement Division (MC-224) within five working days of becoming aware of the non-compliance. The written report must contain:

a. a description of the non-compliance and its cause;

b. the potential danger to human health or safety, or the environment;

c. the period of non-compliance, including exact dates and times;

d. if the non-compliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and

e. steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance, and to mitigate its adverse effects.

(2) In addition to the above, any violation that exceeds the permitted effluent limitation by more than 40% must be reported in writing to the appropriate TCEQ regional office and to the Enforcement Division (MC-224) within five working days of becoming aware of the non-compliance.

(3) Other Non-compliance.

In addition to the reporting requirements listed in Part III, Sections E.6.(b)(1) and (2) above, any non-compliance with the permit must be reported in writing to the TCEQ:

a. Any other non-compliance(s) as described in Part III.B.5(b)(6)(a) must be reported to the TCEQ by March 31 following the calendar year in which the non-compliance(s) occurred. The permittee shall report any additional non-compliance(s) not described above under this paragraph to the TCEQ, Information Resource Division, MC-213, or to the address shown on a reporting form, if one is made available by TCEQ. The permittee may meet this requirement by submitting a copy of the Annual Comprehensive Site Compliance Inspection Report (see Part III, Section B.5.(b)) or by submitting a narrative explanation of the non-compliance(s).

(c) Signatory Requirements for Reports and Certifications. All reports and certifications required in this permit or otherwise requested by the executive director must be signed by the person and in the manner required by 30 TAC §305.128 (relating to Signatories to Reports).

(d) Other Information. When the permittee becomes aware that it either submitted incorrect information or failed to submit any relevant facts on an NOI, NOT, NEC, NOC, or any report, it must promptly submit the facts or information to the executive director.

7. Solid Waste

(a) Industrial Solid Waste

Facilities that generate industrial solid waste as defined in 30 TAC §335.1 must comply with these provisions:

(1) Any solid waste, as defined in 30 TAC §335.1, generated by the permittee during the management and treatment of stormwater, must be managed according to all applicable provisions of 30 TAC Chapter 335, relating to Industrial Solid Waste and Municipal Hazardous Waste.

For the purpose of stormwater treatment, a solid waste management unit includes structural controls such as detention ponds, retention ponds, or other similar dedicated ponds used for removal of pollutants in stormwater, and does not include other control structures such as berms; grass swales; pipes and ditches (or similar stormwater conveyances); or silt fences.

(2) Stormwater that is being collected, accumulated, stored, or processed within a solid waste management unit, before discharge through any final outfall authorized by this permit, is considered to be solid waste until the stormwater passes through the actual point source discharge, and must be managed according to all applicable provisions of 30 TAC Chapter 335.

(3) The permittee shall provide written notification, pursuant to the requirements of 30 TAC §335.6, to the Corrective Action Section (MC-127) of the Remediation Division informing the Commission of any closure activity involving a Solid Waste Management Unit, at least 90 days prior to conducting such an activity.

(4) Construction of any solid waste management unit requires the prior written notification of the proposed activity, pursuant to the requirements of 30 TAC §335.6(a) to the Registration and Reporting Section (MC 129) of the Permitting and Registration Support Division. No person shall dispose of industrial solid waste or municipal hazardous waste, including sludge or other solids from

stormwater treatment processes, prior to fulfilling the deed recordation requirements of 30 TAC §335.5.

(5) The permittee shall keep management records for all sludge or other waste removed from any stormwater treatment process. These records must fulfill all applicable requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 335 and must include the following, as it pertains to wastewater treatment and discharge:

a. volume of waste and date generated from treatment process;

b. volume of waste disposed of onsite or shipped off-site;

c. date of disposal;

d. identity of hauler or transporter;

e. location of disposal site; and

f. method of final disposal.

The above records must be updated on a monthly basis. The records must be retained at the facility or must be readily available for review by authorized representatives of the TCEQ for at least five years.

(b) Municipal Solid Waste

All facilities regulated under this general permit that generate municipal solid waste must comply with applicable rules and regulations, including 30 TAC Chapter 330.

Part IV. BENCHMARK MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

This permit specifies pollutant benchmark concentrations that are applicable to certain industrial sectors/subsectors. Benchmark monitoring data are primarily used to determine the overall effectiveness of selected BMPs.

Section A. Use of Benchmark Data

1. Monitoring for Benchmark Parameters in Discharges

The permittee shall monitor the discharge(s) from regulated industrial activities as required in Part III.E.4(b) and Part V of this general permit, for the benchmark parameters specified within each section of Part V. Benchmark monitoring is required for the industrial sector(s) listed in Part V of this permit that are applicable to the permittee's facility/site. This includes the primary industrial activity and any co-located industrial activities (i.e., secondary industrial activities) that are conducted at the site and are described in this permit.

(a) The permittee shall compare the results of the benchmark analyses to the benchmark values for any pollutant(s) that the permittee is required to monitor according to Part V of this general permit, and shall include this comparison in the overall assessment of the SWP3's effectiveness. Analytical results that exceed a benchmark value are not a violation of this permit, as these values are not numeric effluent limitations. However, not conducting benchmark sampling, not submitting the benchmark monitoring form with sample results, or not submitting the benchmark monitoring form with an explanation as to why the sampling failed to be conducted is a violation of the permit requirements for benchmark monitoring submittal. Exceedances of benchmark values indicate that modifications to the SWP3 and current BMP(s) may be necessary.

(b) The permittee is not eligible for a sampling waiver under Part III, Section C. of this permit for any hazardous metals that are required to be sampled as part of benchmark monitoring. The permittee is subject to the effluent limitations in Part III, Section C. for any monitoring for hazardous metals that is conducted at a final outfall.

(c) Sampling, monitoring, and analyses must be conducted according to procedures specified in Part III, Section E.4. of this permit unless otherwise specified and using test procedures with minimum analytical levels (MALs) at or below benchmark values for all the benchmark parameters for which sampling is required.

2. Background Concentrations

If during benchmark monitoring the average concentration of a pollutant exceeds a benchmark value and it is determined that the exceedance is attributable solely to the presence of that pollutant in the natural background, the permittee is not required to perform corrective action or additional benchmark monitoring provided that:

(a) the average concentration of the benchmark monitoring results are less than or equal to the concentration of the pollutant in the natural background;

(b) the permittee documents in the SWP3 the supporting rationale for concluding that benchmark exceedance are attributable solely to natural background pollutant levels, as outlined in Part IV, Section A.2.of this permit. Any data previously collected (including literature studies) must be included in the supporting rationale that describe the levels of natural background pollutants in the stormwater discharge; and

(c) the permittee notifies TCEQ in writing during the reporting period for the sampling period that the permittee determined the benchmark exceedance are attributable solely to natural background pollutant levels.

Natural background pollutants include substances that are naturally occurring in the soil or groundwater. Natural background pollutants do not include legacy pollutants from earlier activity at the site, or pollutants in runon from neighboring sources that are not naturally occurring. Background concentrations may be identified by laboratory analyses of samples of stormwater runon to the permitted facility, laboratory analyses of samples of stormwater runoff from adjacent non-industrial areas, or by identifying the pollutant as a naturally occurring material in soil at the site.

3. Investigations of Benchmark Value Exceedences

The Pollution Prevention Team must investigate the cause for each exceedance and must document the results of this investigation in the SWP3 within 90 days following the sampling event.

The Pollution Prevention Team investigation must identify the following:

(a) any additional potential sources of pollution, such as spills that might have occurred;

(b) necessary revisions to the Good Housekeeping Measures section of the SWP3;

(c) additional BMPs, including a schedule to install or implement the BMPs; and

(d) other parts of the SWP3 for which revisions are appropriate.

Background concentrations of specific pollutants may be considered during the investigation as described in Part IV, Section A.2. above. If the Pollution Prevention Team is able to relate the cause of the exceedance to background concentrations, then subsequent

exceedance of benchmark values for that pollutant may be resolved by referencing the earlier finding in the SWP3.

4. Exception for Inactive and Unstaffed Sites

The requirement for benchmark monitoring does not apply at a facility that is inactive and unstaffed, provided that there are no industrial materials or activities exposed to stormwater and that the permittee performs the following:

(a) include a written statement in the SWP3 stating that the site is inactive and unstaffed, and that there are no industrial materials or activities exposed to stormwater. This statement must be signed and certified in accordance with 30 TAC §305.128; and

(b) immediately begin complying with the applicable benchmark monitoring requirements in this section if circumstances change and industrial materials or activities become exposed to stormwater, or the facility becomes active or staffed, as this creates a condition where the exception no longer applies. Benchmark monitoring must be resumed as if in the first year of permit coverage. The permittee must indicate in the first benchmark monitoring report that the facility has materials or activities exposed to stormwater or has become active or staffed.

(c) If a site or facility is not qualified for this exception at the time authorization is obtained under this permit, but becomes qualified because the facility is inactive and unstaffed at some point during the permit term, and there are no industrial materials or activities that are exposed to stormwater, then the permittee must notify TCEQ in writing of this change in the next benchmark monitoring report. Benchmark monitoring may be discontinued once TCEQ has been notified in writing, and a certification statement has been prepared and signed and certified in accordance with 30 TAC §305.128.

5. Adverse Weather Conditions

Sampling under this section is subject to the exceptions related to adverse weather conditions or drought in accordance with Part III, Section D.4. of this general permit.

Section B. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The benchmark monitoring parameters for each industrial sector are listed in Part V of this general permit under the individual sectors. Benchmark monitoring must be conducted once every six months for four (4) years following permit issuance.

1. Monitoring Periods

(a) Benchmark monitoring must be conducted once every six months (January through June **or** July through December) following permit issuance, and then once during each subsequent semiannual monitoring period (i.e., January through June and July through December) during the remaining permit term, except that a waiver is available for the third and fourth year according to Part IV, Section B.1.(c) below.

(b) Operators of industrial facilities that obtain coverage after the beginning of a monitoring period shall initiate benchmark monitoring during the first six-month monitoring period (January through June **or** July through December). Because permit renewal occurs in between monitoring periods, the first year of sampling will occur on the first full six-month monitoring period (i.e. January through June). Sampling must be conducted once per semiannual monitoring period (January through June and July

through December) thereafter, for up to a total of four (4) years, or eight (8) semiannual monitoring periods, depending on when coverage is obtained. Monitoring is not required in the calendar year of renewal of the general permit, because this year does not have two full six months monitoring periods. A waiver is available if the annual average results of monitoring during the first two (2) years are all below benchmark levels, in accordance with Part IV, Section B.1.(c) below.

(c) Waiver from Benchmark Monitoring. If the annual average results of benchmark sampling for the first two monitoring years are all below the benchmark levels, the permittee may waive out of benchmark monitoring requirements during the third and fourth monitoring years. To request the waiver from benchmark monitoring, the permittee shall submit an NOC in accordance with Part II.C.6. The annual average result is the average of all samples collected for a particular pollutant for a specific SIC code during the previous calendar year, January through December. If sampling for any monitoring period was not performed, then the average annual result must be calculated using the remaining samples for that calendar year.

Permittees who obtain a waiver are subject to the following limitations:

(1) The permittee may exercise this waiver from benchmark monitoring, so long as the analytical result for any pollutant limited in the annual hazardous metal monitoring does not exceed the corresponding benchmark monitoring level for that pollutant, if that pollutant is included in the list of parameters in Part V of this permit for which monitoring is required of the permittee.

(2) If during monitoring for annual hazardous metals, sampling to comply with sector-specific effluent specific limits, or any additional sampling performed by the facility operator, an analytical result exceeds the benchmark level for a pollutant for which a benchmark waiver was obtained, the permittee shall investigate the source of the exceedance, make the necessary correction or mitigation (as outlined above in section A) and return to performing benchmark monitoring according to: the requirements of Part IV; the applicable schedule outlined in Part III, Section D.3.; and any sector specific requirements that apply.

(3) This waiver does not affect the requirements for a permittee to sample and analyze its discharge to comply with any numeric effluent limitations established in this permit. (See Part III, Section C, related to hazardous metals monitoring, and Part V for discharges subject to federal effluent limitations guidelines listed in Part V of this permit.

2. Reporting Requirements

(a) Results of analyses for sampling during benchmark monitoring years one through four, must be submitted to TCEQ before March 31 of each year following sample collection. Permittees who requested a benchmark waiver after the first two monitoring years, following the NOI submittal, are not required to submit sampling results for monitoring years three and four. The reported values must be the average yearly result of analysis for each specific pollutant discharged under a specific SIC code, rather than an outfall-by-outfall, basis. The results must be submitted online using the NetDMR reporting system unless the permittee requests and obtains an electronic reporting waiver. Permittees that request and obtain an electronic reporting waiver shall submit a monitoring results on a form (TCEQ No. 20091) provided by the executive director and mailed to the TCEQ's Stormwater Team (MC-148).

(b) Substantially similar outfalls may be established for benchmark monitoring, in accordance with Part III, Section D.2. of this general permit.

(c) If sampling during any six-month period is not conducted for a pollutant due to adverse weather conditions or drought in accordance with Part III, Section D.4. of this general permit, then the reported average annual result must be based on data collected for that year. If there is no rain during a given week, the permittee shall monitor and record a zero rainfall total or no rain for the week according to Part III.D.1.(c).

Part V. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES

The requirements in Part V of this general permit are sector specific and are in addition to the requirements in Parts III and IV of this general permit. Where co-located industrial activities occur (refer to Part II, Section A.4. of this general permit) the additional conditions and requirements in Part V of this general permit for each of these activities also apply.

Section A. Sector A of Industrial Activity - Timber Products Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector A. Sector A industrial activities are described by the following Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes:

SECTOR A: TIMBER PRODUCTS

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
2411	Log Storage and Handling (without the use of chemical additives in spray water or applied to the logs)
2421	General Sawmills and Planning Mills
2426	Hardwood Dimension and Flooring Mills
2429	Special Product Sawmills, Not Elsewhere Classified
2431 – 2439	(except 2434) -Millwork, Veneer, Plywood, and Structural Wood (SIC Code 2434 - Wood Kitchen Cabinets, see Sector W)
2441 - 2449	Wood Containers
2451, 2452	Wood Buildings and Mobile Homes
2491	Wood Preserving
2493	Reconstituted Wood Products
2499	Wood Products Not Elsewhere Classified

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Definitions

(a) Debris. For the purposes of this section, debris is woody material such as bark, twigs, branches, heartwood, or sapwood that will not pass through a 2.54 centimeter (one-

inch) diameter round opening and is present in the discharge from a wet storage facility.

(b) Wet decking water. Water that is intentionally sprayed or deposited onto logs or roundwood that are being stored on land.

3. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) Prohibition of Process Wastewater. This general permit does not authorize the discharge of wastewater resulting from the storage of logs or round wood before or after removal of bark in self-contained bodies of water (i.e., mill ponds or log ponds). Discharges from these activities must be authorized under an individual TPDES permit or other authorized means, or must be disposed in a manner that does not constitute a discharge into or adjacent to water in the state.

(b) Prohibition of Stormwater from Wood Treatment Areas. This general permit does not authorize the discharge of stormwater that has come in contact with areas where chemical formulations designed to provide wood surface protection and wood preservation were sprayed. Stormwater discharges from these areas must either be captured within a containment structure and disposed of in a manner that does not constitute a discharge into or adjacent to water in the state or must discharged under authority of an individual TPDES permit or other authorized means.

4. Authorized Non-Stormwater Discharges

Wet Decking Water. In addition to the non-stormwater discharges allowed under Part II of this general permit, wet decking water may be discharged from lumber and wood storage yards where the wet decking process does not include chemical additives and where chemicals are not applied to the wood during storage.

5. Description of Potential Pollutants and Sources

(a) Inventory of Exposed Materials. Facilities that use or have previously used chlorophenolic compounds, creosote, chromium, copper, or arsenic formulations for the surface protection of wood or wood preserving activities must address these activities in the SWP3 according to the requirements of Part III, Section A.3. of this general permit. The following areas must be included in the inventory of exposed materials:

(1) areas where treatment chemicals have contaminated any soils;

(2) areas where any wood treatment equipment remains or is stored, including equipment that is no longer in use;

(3) areas where treatment chemicals and treated materials remain; and

(4) BMPs that are implemented to minimize these materials from coming into contact with stormwater.

(b) Site Map. The site map must include documentation of any of the following that may be exposed to stormwater: processing areas, treatment chemical storage areas, treated wood and residue storage areas, wet decking areas, dry decking areas, untreated wood and residue storage areas, and treatment equipment storage areas.

6. Pollution Prevention Measures and Controls

The SWP3 must include the following elements in addition to the requirements of Part III, Section A.4 and Part III, Section A.5. of this general permit:

(a) BMPs and good housekeeping measures must be implemented to limit the discharge of wood debris, minimize the leachate generated from decaying wood materials, and minimize the generation of dust.

(b) Structural controls may be used to limit the discharge of wood debris, minimize the leachate generated from decaying wood materials, and minimize the generation of dust.

(c) Facilities that conduct surface protection or preservation of wood products shall develop specific BMPs, including an implementation schedule, to reduce pollution in runoff from these areas of industrial activity.

(d) Periodic Inspections. Periodic inspections for facilities that conduct surface protection or preservation of wood products must include additional inspection procedures for processing areas, transport areas, and treated wood storage areas. The inspection procedures must provide an assessment of the effectiveness of BMPs in minimizing the amount of treatment chemicals that drip on unprotected soils and on other areas that come in contact with stormwater.

(1) Where feasible, the permittee shall conduct monthly inspections, in the same manner as developed for quarterly inspections. If monthly inspections are not feasible, then the permittee shall document the reason in the SWP3 and shall retain a minimum inspection frequency of once per quarter.

(2) The permittee shall conduct monthly inspections of wood treatment areas, treated wood storage areas, and treated wood transport loading and unloading areas to assess the effectiveness of specific BMPs and controls.

(3) Results and records of inspections must be evaluated, maintained, and incorporated into the standard periodic inspection reports as described in Part III, Section B., regardless of the frequency that the inspections are conducted.

(4) Follow-up procedures must be identified to ensure that appropriate actions are taken in response to the evaluations of the inspections.

7. Numeric Effluent Limitations

The following numeric effluent limitations, based on guidelines from the Wet Storage Subcategory (Subpart I) of the Timber Products Processing Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 429), apply to discharges of wet decking water. These discharges must not exceed the following numeric effluent limitations and monitoring requirements:

Table 4. Numeric Effluent Limitations for Sector A Facilities Discharging Wet Decking Water

Industrial Activity	Parameter	Effluent Limitation[1]
Discharges resulting from wet decking water	Debris	No Discharge
	pH	6.0-9.0 S.U.

[1]Monitor annually

8. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsectors must conduct benchmark monitoring on discharges of stormwater associated with industrial activities according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit.

Table 5. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector A

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
2421	General Sawmills and Planning Mills	COD TSS Zinc, total	60 mg/L 50 mg/L 0.16 mg/L
2491	Wood Preserving	Arsenic, total Copper, total	0.010 mg/L 0.030mg/L
2411	Log Storage and Handling (Wet deck storage areas where no chemical additives are used in the spray water or applied to the logs)	TSS	50 mg/L
2426, 2429, 2431-2439 (except 2434), 2441, 2448, 2449, 2451, 2452, 2493 and 2499	Hardwood Dimension and Flooring Mills; Special Products Sawmills, not elsewhere classified; Millwork, Veneer, Plywood, and Structural Wood; Wood Pallets and Skids; Wood Containers, not elsewhere classified; Wood Buildings and Mobile Homes; Reconstituted Wood Products; and Wood Products Facilities not elsewhere classified	COD TSS	60 mg/L 50 mg/L

Section B. Sector B of Industrial Activity - Paper and Allied Products Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector B. Sector B industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR B: PAPER AND ALLIED PRODUCTS

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
2611	Pulp Mills
2621	Paper Mills
2631	Paperboard Mills
2652 – 2657	Paperboard Containers and Boxes
2671 – 2679	Converted Paper and Paperboard Products, Including Plastic Bags Produced from Plastics Film

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsectors must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and must conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 6. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector B

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
2631	Paperboard Mills	COD	60 mg/L

Section C. Sector C of Industrial Activity - Chemical and Allied Products Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector C. Sector C industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR C: CHEMICAL AND ALLIED PRODUCTS

SIC Codes *SIC Code Description*

2812 – 2819 Basic Industrial Inorganic Chemicals

2821 – 2824 Plastic Materials, Synthetic Resins, Non-vulcanizable Elastomers (Synthetic Rubber), Cellulose Plastics Materials, and Other Manmade Fibers Except Glass

2833 – 2836 Medicinal Chemicals and Botanical Products, Pharmaceutical Preparations, In Vitro and In Vivo Diagnostic Substances, Biological Products (Except Diagnostic Substances)

2841 – 2844 Soaps and Detergents; Specialty Cleaning, Polishing, and Sanitation Preparations, Surface Active Agents, Finishing Agents, Sulfonated Oils, and Assistants, Perfumes, Cosmetics, and Other Toilet Preparations

2851 Paints, Varnishes, Lacquers, Enamels, and Allied Products

2861 – 2869 Industrial Organic Chemicals

2873 – 2879 Agricultural Chemicals (Including Fertilizers, Pesticides, Fertilizers Solely from Leather Scraps and Leather Dust, and Mixing of Fertilizers, Compost, and Potting Soils)

2891 – 2899 Miscellaneous Chemical Products (Including Adhesives and Sealants, Explosives, Printing Ink, and Carbon Black)

2911 Petroleum Refineries

3952 (Limited to List)-Inks and Paints, including: China Painting Enamels, India Ink, Drawing Ink, Platinum Paints for Burnt Wood or Leather Work, Paints for China Painting; Artist's Paints, and Artist's Watercolors

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) Prohibition of Contaminated Runoff from Petroleum Refineries. Discharges of stormwater from petroleum refineries subject to federal guidelines found at 40 CFR Part 419 are not authorized under this general permit and must be authorized by an individual TPDES wastewater discharge permit or other authorized means. This general permit only authorizes the discharge of non-process area stormwater runoff from petroleum refineries described by SIC code 2911 that are not subject to 40 CFR Part 419 guidelines.

(b) Prohibition of Non-Stormwater Discharges. Non-stormwater discharges are not eligible for coverage except according to the conditions of Part II, Section A.6. of this general permit. The following non-stormwater discharges are specifically prohibited under this section: discharges containing inks, paints, and other substances resulting from an onsite spill; contents from drip pans; wash-waters from material handling and processing areas; and wash waters/rinse-waters from drums, tanks, and other containers.

3. Pollution Prevention Measures and Controls/Management of Runoff with Structural Controls

The following requirements must be included in the SWP3 according to requirements of Part III, Sections A.4. and A.5. of this general permit:

(a) Security System. A security system must be developed to prevent accidental or intentional discharges by unauthorized individuals. The system may include fences, lights, traffic controls, building security, and equipment security.

(b) Practices for Material Handling and Storage Areas. Practices must be developed to conform to the following:

(1) Diking, curbing, berms, or other appropriate controls must be used in areas where liquid or powdered materials are stored to reduce the potential of contamination of stormwater from these materials.

(2) Curbs, culverts, gutters, sewers, or other forms of drainage control must be used to minimize contamination of stormwater in all other outside storage areas, including areas for machinery, scrap and construction materials, and pallets.

(3) Roofs, covers, or other types of protection must be used in all other outside storage areas to limit or prevent exposure of materials to precipitation or runoff.

(4) In areas where liquid or powdered materials are transferred in bulk from truck or rail cars, permittees shall develop and implement measures to minimize contact of materials with precipitation or runoff. Hose connection points at storage containers must be located within containment areas and drip pans or other measures must be used outside the containment area (e.g. at hose reels, connection points with rail cars, tank trucks) to prevent spills from contacting precipitation or runoff.

(5) In areas where materials are transferred as packaged materials, permittees shall consider providing appropriate protection such as overhangs or door skirts to enclose trailer ends at truck loading docks, or equivalent controls.

(6) Structures used to limit pollution at material handling and storage areas should control drainage through the use of manually operated valves or other similar positive control devices. Flapper-type gate valves are not allowed. Pumps may be

used to empty containment areas, but pumps must not be automatically activated. If a facility is not engineered with such controls, the facility's separate storm sewer system should be equipped to prevent or divert a discharge of spilled materials until the materials can be recovered.

4. Numeric Effluent Limitations

The following numeric effluent limitations, based on guidelines from the Phosphate Subcategory (Subpart A) of the Fertilizer Manufacturing Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 418), apply to stormwater runoff that has come into contact with any raw materials, intermediate product, finished product, by-product or waste from areas of industrial activity described by SIC code 2874 (Phosphatic Fertilizers). These numeric effluent limits do not apply to other discharges covered under this section.

Samples of these discharges must be obtained before the runoff combines with other stormwater runoff. Discharges must not exceed the following numeric effluent limitations, and are subject to monitoring as follows:

Table 7. Numeric Effluent Limitations for Sector C Facilities Discharging from Phosphate Fertilizer Manufacturing Activities

Industrial Activity	Parameter	Limitations Daily Avg[1,2]	Limitations Daily Max
Phosphate fertilizer manufacturing (SIC 2874)	Total Phosphorus (as P)	35 mg/L	105 mg/L
	Fluoride	25 mg/L	75 mg/L

[1] Monitor annually.

[2] The daily average limit only applies when two or more samples are collected during a calendar month.

5. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsectors must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 8. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector C

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
2812-2819	Basic Industrial Inorganic Chemicals	Aluminum, total Iron, total Nitrate+Nitrite N TSS	1.2 mg/L 1.3 mg/L 0.68 mg/L 50 mg/L
2821-2824	Plastics, Synthetic Resins, Non-vulcanized Elastomers (Synthetic Rubber), Cellulose Plastics Materials, and Other Manmade Fibers Except Glass.	Zinc, total	0.16 mg/L
2841-2844	Soaps and Detergents; Specialty Cleaning, Polishing, and Sanitation Preparations; Surface Active Agents, Finishing Agents, Sulfonated Oils, and Assistants; Perfumes, Cosmetics, and Other Toilet Preparations	Nitrate + Nitrite N Zinc, total	0.68 mg/L 0.16 mg/L
2873-2879	Agricultural Chemicals (Including Fertilizers, Pesticides, Fertilizers Solely from Leather Scraps and Leather Dust, and Mixing of Fertilizers, Compost, and Potting Soils)	Nitrate + Nitrite N Lead, total Iron, total Zinc, total Phosphorus TSS	0.68 mg/L 0.010 mg/L 1.3 mg/L 0.16 mg/L 1.25 mg/L 50 mg/L

Section D. Sector D of Industrial Activity - Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials and Lubricant Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector D. Sector D industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR D: ASPHALT PAVING AND ROOFING MATERIALS AND LUBRICANTS

SIC Codes *SIC Code Description*

2951, 2952 Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials, Portable Asphalt Plants

2992, 2999 Miscellaneous Products of Petroleum and Coal Including Lubricating Oils and Greases

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Limitations on Permit Coverage

The following facilities are not eligible for coverage under this general permit:

(a) petroleum refining facilities, including those that manufacture asphalt or asphalt products, including facilities described by SIC 2911 (also see Sector C);

(b) oil recycling facilities; and

(c) fats and oils rendering facilities.

3. Pollution Prevention Measures and Controls

Periodic Inspections. Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B.2. of this general permit and conducted at least once per month in the following areas:

(a) material storage and handling areas;

(b) areas containing liquid storage tanks, hoppers or silos;

(c) vehicle and equipment maintenance, cleaning, and fueling areas; and

(d) material handling, equipment storage, and processing areas.

Results of the inspections must be evaluated and records of inspections maintained. Follow-up procedures must be identified to ensure that appropriate actions are taken in response to the inspector's findings.

4. Numeric Effluent Limitations

The following numeric effluent limitations, based on guidelines from the Asphalt Emulsion Subcategory of the Paving and Roofing Materials (Tars and Asphalt) Manufacturing Point Source Category (40 CFR § 443.13), apply to all stormwater runoff from asphalt paving and roofing emulsion production areas. Samples of these discharges must be obtained before the runoff combines with stormwater runoff or other waste streams that may be covered under this permit. Samples must be analyzed as follows, and must not exceed the following numeric effluent limitations:

Table 9. Numeric Effluent Limitations for Sector D Facilities Discharging from Asphalt Emulsion Manufacturing Production Areas

Industrial Activity	Parameter	Limitations Daily Avg[1,2]	Limitations Daily Max
Discharging from Asphalt Emulsion Manufacturing	TSS	15 mg/L	23 mg/L
	Oil and Grease	10 mg/L	15 mg/L
	pH	6.0-9.0 S.U.	6.0-9.0 S.U.

[1] Monitor annually.
[2] The daily average limit only applies when two or more samples are collected during a calendar month.

5. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring on discharges of stormwater associated with industrial activities according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit.

Table 10. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector D

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
2951, 2952	Asphalt Paving and Roofing Materials, Portable Asphalt Plants	TSS	50 mg/L

Section E. Sector E of Industrial Activity - Glass, Clay, Cement Concrete, and Gypsum Product Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector E. Sector E industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR E: GLASS, CLAY, CEMENT, CONCRETE, AND GYPSUM PRODUCTS

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
3211	Flat Glass
3221, 3229	Glass and Glassware, Pressed or Blown
3231	Glass Products Made of Purchased Glass
3241	Hydraulic Cement
3251 – 3259	Structural Clay Products
3261	Vitreous China Plumbing Fixtures and China Earthenware Fittings and Bathroom Accessories
3262 – 3269	Pottery and Related Products
3271 – 3275	Concrete, Lime, Gypsum and Plaster Products (includes Ready-Mix Concrete Plants)
3281	Cut Stone and Stone Products
3291	Abrasive Products
3292	Asbestos Products
3295	Minerals and Earths, Ground or Otherwise Treated
3296	Mineral Wool
3297	Non-Clay Refractories
3299	Nonmetallic Mineral Products, Not Elsewhere Classified

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Non-Stormwater Discharges

This section does not authorize the discharge of any additional wastestreams. Facilities are required to seek authorization to discharge or land apply process wastewater resulting from washing of trucks, mixers, transport buckets, concrete forms, and other equipment under a separate TPDES or TCEQ wastewater permit.

3. Pollution Prevention Measures and Controls

The following requirements must be included in the SWP3 according to requirements of Part III, Section A.4. of this general permit:

(a) Specific good housekeeping measures must be developed to minimize and prevent exposure of spilled cement, aggregate (including sand and gravel), kiln dust, fly ash, and other dust to precipitation or runoff.

(b) Wherever possible, fine solids such as cement, fly ash, and kiln dust must be stored in enclosed silos, hoppers, buildings or other structures to prevent exposure to precipitation or runoff.

(c) Sweeping or an equivalent control measure must be performed at least once each week in areas where cement, aggregate, kiln dust, fly ash, or settled dust are being handled or processed.

(d) Periodic Inspections. Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B.2. of this general permit, but inspections must be conducted at least once per month.

4. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) The permittee shall document in the SWP3 the locations of the following, as applicable: bag house or other dust control device; recycle/sedimentation pond, clarifier, or other device used for the treatment of process wastewater; and the areas that drain to the treatment device.

(b) Non-stormwater discharge certification. In addition to the requirements in Part III, Section B.1 related to inspection and certification of non-stormwater discharges, the SWP3 must describe the measures that will ensure that process wastewaters resulting from washing trucks, mixers, transport buckets, forms, or other equipment are either discharged or disposed in accordance with state permitting requirements or are recycled.

5. Numeric Effluent Limitations

(a) The following numeric effluent limitations apply to discharges resulting from the runoff of rainfall which derives from the storage of materials, including raw materials, intermediate products, finished products, and waste materials, which are used in or derived from the manufacture of cement based on guidelines from the Materials Storage Piles Runoff Subcategory (Subpart C) of the Cement Manufacturing Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 411).

These effluent limitations do not apply to Sector E facilities that are not subject to federal guidelines at 40 CFR Part 411, related to Cement Manufacturing.

Samples of stormwater discharges from cement manufacturing facilities subject to these effluent limits must be obtained before the runoff combines with other discharges that are covered under this permit. The samples must be analyzed at the frequency described below and must not exceed the following numeric effluent limitations:

Table 11. Effluent Limitations for Sector E Storage Piles at Facilities Manufacturing Cement

Industrial Activity	Parameter	Limitations Daily Max[1]
Discharges from Material Storage Piles at Cement Manufacturing Facilities (SIC 3241)	TSS	50 mg/L
	pH	6.0-9.0 S.U.

[1] Monitor annually.

(b) Waiver from Numeric Effluent Limitations. Any untreated overflow from facilities designed, constructed, and operated to treat the volume of runoff from materials storage piles that is associated with a 10-year, 24-hour rainfall event will not be subject

to the pH and TSS limitations in this section.Rainfall records are required to document events that equal or exceed a 10-year 24-hour event. The operator shall maintain, as a part of the SWP3, the following information in order to receive this waiver:

(1) engineering design records that demonstrate structural controls are adequate to intercept, contain, and treat the volume of runoff from a 10-year, 24-hour storm event; and

(2) records of rainfall from an on-site rain gauge, a representative weather station, or subject to TCEQ's approval, an alternative means of compliance.

6. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 12. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector E

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
3251-3259	Structural Clay Products	Aluminum, total TSS pH	1.2 mg/L 50 mg/L 6.0-9.0 S. U.
3262-3269	Pottery and Related Products	Aluminum, total TSS pH	1.2 mg/L 100 mg/L 6.0-9.0 S.U.
3271-3275	Concrete, Lime, Gypsum and Plaster Products	TSS Iron, total pH	50 mg/L 1.3 mg/L 6.0-9.0 S.U.

Section F. Sector F of Industrial Activity - Primary Metals Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector F. Sector F industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR F: PRIMARY METALS

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
3312 – 3317	Steel Works, Blast Furnaces, and Rolling and Finishing Mills
3321 – 3325	Iron and Steel Foundries
3331 – 3339	Primary Smelting and Refining of Nonferrous Metals
3341	Secondary Smelting and Refining of Nonferrous Metals
3351 – 3357	Rolling, Drawing, and Extruding of Nonferrous Metals
3363 – 3369	Nonferrous Foundries (Castings)
3398, 3399	Miscellaneous Primary Metal Products

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Description of Potential Pollutants and Sources

The inventory of exposed materials must include areas where material handling and air emissions may result in deposits of particulate matter.

3. Pollution Prevention Measures and Controls

(a) Good Housekeeping Measures. This section of the SWP3 must include a program for cleaning and maintaining all impervious areas of the facility where dust, debris, or other particulate matter may accumulate, especially areas where material loading/unloading, storage, handling and processing occur. Areas where materials are stored, or where there is vehicular traffic, should be paved if vegetative and other stabilization methods are not practical. For areas where paving and vegetative measures are not practical, structural controls must be developed to trap and limit transport of sediment offsite. Sediment traps, filter fabric fences, and other equivalent measures may be considered.

(b) Drainage Area Site Map. The map must identify any of the following activities that may be exposed to stormwater: storage or disposal of wastes such as spent solvents and baths, sand, slag and dross; liquid storage tanks and drums; processing areas including pollution control equipment (e.g., baghouses); and storage areas of raw material such as coal, coke, scrap, sand, fluxes, refractories, or metal in any form. In addition, indicate where an accumulation of significant amounts of particulate matter could occur from such sources as furnace or oven emissions, or losses from coal and coke handling operations.

(c) Periodic Inspections. The periodic inspections must specifically include areas of the facility that contain air pollution control equipment, such as bag houses, electrostatic precipitators, cyclones, and scrubbers for signs of degradation or improper operation. Process material handling equipment must be inspected for leaks and problems that may result in material loss and spills. Material storage areas, such as piles or bins that contain coal, scrap, and slag, must be inspected for material loss due to wind and precipitation or runoff.

4. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values in Table 13:

Table 13. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector F

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
3312-3317	Steel Works, Blast Furnaces, and Rolling and Finishing Mills	Aluminum, total Zinc, total TSS	1.2 mg/L 0.16 mg/L 100 mg/L
3321-3325	Iron and Steel Foundries	Aluminum, total TSS Copper, total Iron, total Zinc, total	1.2 mg/L 50 mg/L 0.030 mg/L 1.3 mg/L 0.16 mg/L
3351-3357	Rolling, Drawing, and Extruding of Nonferrous Metals	Copper, total Zinc, total	0.030 mg/L 0.16 mg/L
3363-3369	Nonferrous Foundries (Castings)	Copper, total Zinc, total	0.030 mg/L 0.16 mg/L

Section G. Sector G of Industrial Activity - Metal Mining (Ore Mining and Dressing)

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector G. Sector G industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR G: METAL MINING (ORE MINING AND DRESSING)

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
1011	Iron Ores
1021	Copper Ores
1031	Lead and Zinc Ores
1041, 1044	Gold and Silver Ores
1061	Ferro alloy Ores, Except Vanadium
1081	Metal Mining Services
1094, 1099	Miscellaneous Metal Ores

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

The requirements in this section apply to stormwater from metal mining facilities, including mines abandoned on federal lands, as identified by the SIC codes specified the table above. Coverage is required for metal mining facilities that discharge stormwater contaminated by contact with, or that has come into contact with, any overburden, raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct, or waste product.

(a) The stormwater discharges covered under this permit include all stormwater discharges from inactive facilities and stormwater discharges from facilities undergoing reclamation.

(b) Stormwater discharges from the following areas of active and temporarily inactive facilities areas are authorized under this general permit:

(1) waste rock and overburden piles, if composed entirely of stormwater and not combined with mine drainage;

(2) topsoil piles;

(3) haul and access roads:

a. all off site roads;

b. onsite haul and access roads constructed of waste rock, overburden, or spent ore if composed entirely of stormwater and not combining with mine drainage; and

c. onsite haul and access roads not constructed of waste rock, overburden, or spent ore, unless mine drainage is used for dust control.

(4) runoff from tailings dams or dikes that are:

a. not constructed of waste rock or tailings, provided no process fluids are present; or

b. constructed of waste rock or tailings and no process fluids are present, if composed entirely of stormwater and not combining with mine drainage.

(5) concentration building if no contact with material piles;

(6) mill site if no contact with material piles;

(7) office or administrative building and housing if mixed with stormwater from industrial area;

(8) chemical storage;

(9) docking facility if no excessive contact with waste product that would otherwise constitute mine drainage;

(10) explosives storage;

(11) fuel storage;

(12) vehicle and equipment maintenance;

(13) parking areas, if necessary;

(14) power plant, except that steam electric power plants are regulated as collocated activities in Part V, Section O;

(15) truck wash areas (if no excessive contact with waste product that would otherwise constitute mine drainage);

(16) un-reclaimed, disturbed areas outside of the active mining area(s);

(17) reclaimed areas released from reclamation requirements prior to December 17, 1990; and

(18) partially or inadequately reclaimed areas or areas not meeting reclamation requirements.

3. Definitions

The following definitions apply only to Section G of this general permit:

Active metal mining facility. A place where work or other activity related to the extraction, removal, or recovery of metal ore is being conducted. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun. This definition is derived from the definition of "active mining area" found at 40 CFR §440.132(a).

Active phase. Activities including the extraction, removal or recovery of metal ore. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun. This definition is derived from the definition of "active mining area" found at 40 CFR §440.132(a). The active phase is considered part of "mining operations."

Exploration phase. Entails exploration and land disturbance activities to determine the viability of a site. The exploration phase is not considered part of "mining operations."

Final Stabilization. All soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed and a uniform (e.g. evenly distributed, without large bare areas) perennial vegetative cover with a density of 70% of the native background vegetative cover for the area has been established on all unpaved areas and areas not covered by permanent structures, or equivalent permanent stabilization measures (such as the use of riprap, gabions, or geotextiles) have been employed. Alternatively, for arid, semi-arid, and drought stricken areas only, final stabilization means that all soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed and both of the following criteria have been met: temporary erosion control measures are selected, designed, and installed along with an appropriate seed base to provide erosion control for at least three years without active maintenance by the operator; and the temporary erosion control measures are selected, designed, and installed to achieve 70% vegetative coverage within three years.

Inactive metal mining facility. A site or portion of a site with an identifiable operator, where metal mining or milling occurred in the past but is not an active facility as defined above, where the inactive portion is not covered by an active mining permit, and where the reclamation phase has not been completed.

Mining operations. Consists of the active mining, inactive mining, temporarily inactive mining, and reclamation phases, but excludes the exploration and construction phases.

Reclamation phase. Activities undertaken to return the land to an appropriate post-mining land use prior to termination of permit coverage.

Temporarily inactive metal mining facility. A site or portion of a site where metal mining or milling occurred in the past and is not currently being actively undertaken, and where the facility is covered by an active mining permit.

4. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) Prohibition on Certain Stormwater Discharges. Discharges from active metal mining facilities that are subject to effluent limitation guidelines for the Ore Mining and Dressing Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 440) are not authorized under this general permit.

Stormwater from active metal mining facilities is only subject to 40 CFR Part 440 (and therefore not eligible for coverage under this permit) if it commingles with other discharges that are subject to 40 CFR Part 440. Discharges from overburden/waste

rock and overburden/waste rock-related areas are not subject to 40 CFR Part 440 unless they:

(1) drain naturally (or are intentionally diverted) to a point source; and

(2) combine with "mine drainage" that is otherwise regulated under the 40 CFR Part 440.

Such sources may obtain coverage under this general permit if the discharge is composed entirely of stormwater, does not commingle with other sources of mine drainage that are not subject to 40 CFR Part 440, and meets the other eligibility criteria contained in the general permit.

(b) Prohibition on Non-Stormwater Discharges. The following discharges are not authorized by this general permit: process generated wastewater, including but not limited to truck wash water, adit drainage (e.g., drainage from mine passageways or tunnels), contaminated springs, and seeps discharging from waste rock dumps that do not directly result from precipitation events from active, temporarily inactive, and inactive mines.

(c) Authorization Not Required. Stormwater from sites where mining claims are being maintained prior to disturbances associated with the extraction, beneficiation, or processing of mined materials and sites where minimal activities are undertaken for the sole purpose of maintaining a mining claim are not considered either active or inactive mining facilities and do not require authorization.

5. Additional SWP3 Requirements

In addition to the requirements of Part III, Section A of this general permit, the following is required:

(a) Inventory of Exposed Materials. This section of the SWP3 must contain a summary of any existing ore, waste rock, and overburden characterization data. The summary must include results of all testing for acid rock generation potential. The inventory and the SWP3 must be updated if the characterization is updated due to a change in the type of ore mined. For inactive metal mining facilities, the inventory must identify any significant materials that remain at the facility and include any available characterization data of the material.

(b) Narrative Description. For inactive metal mining facilities, this section of the SWP3 must include a description of the mining and associated activities that took place at the site. The description must define the dates of operation, total acreage within the mine, total acreage within the processing area, an estimate of the acres of remaining disturbed area, and any current activities at the site (e.g. reclamation).

(c) Site Map. A topographic site map (or maps) must be developed to indicate mining or milling site boundaries; access and haul roads; equipment storage, fueling, and maintenance areas; an outline of the overburden, materials, soils, tailings or wastes storage areas; points of discharge from the property of mine drainage or any other process wastewater, a depiction of the discharge route, and a listing of the type of wastewater; location of existing and proposed tailings piles and ponds; heap leach pads; locations of springs, streams, wetlands, and other surface waters; and boundaries of tributary areas that are subject to effluent limitations and guidelines for the Ore Mining and Dressing Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 440).

(d) Management of Runoff with Structural Controls. The elimination of a contaminant source through capping of the source may be the most effective control measure.

Where capping is used, the source being capped must be identified and the materials and procedures used to cap the source must be described within the SWP3.

(e) Inactive and Unstaffed Sites. Subject to the following conditions, if the facility is inactive and unstaffed, the permittee is not required to conduct quarterly visual assessments and routine facility inspections. Waivers are not given for exception from conducting the comprehensive site inspection. Permittees are encouraged to inspect their site more frequently where there is reason to believe that severe weather or natural disasters may have damaged control measures or increased discharges.

(1) If circumstances change and the facility becomes active or staffed, this exception no longer applies, and the permittee must immediately begin complying with the quarterly visual assessment requirements; and

(2) The TCEQ retains the authority to revoke this exemption or the monitoring waiver where it is determined that the discharge causes, has a reasonable potential to cause, or contributes to an instream excursion above an applicable water quality standard, including designated uses.

6. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

(a) Active copper ore mining or dressing facilities must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the standard benchmark monitoring requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 14. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Sector G

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
1021	Copper Ores	COD TSS Nitrate + Nitrite N	60 mg/L 100 mg/L 0.68 mg/L

(b) All stormwater discharges from waste rock and overburden piles, resulting from active ore mining or dressing operations included in Sector G, must collect one benchmark monitoring sample according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit for the following pollutants in Table 15. For parameters measured above the benchmark value, monitoring must be continued throughout the term of the permit.

Table 15. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Sector G

SIC Codes and Description of Industrial Activity	Parameter	Benchmark Monitoring Cutoff Concentration
1011- Iron Ores; 1021- Copper Ores; 1031- Lead and Zinc Ores; 1041, 1044 - Gold and Silver Ores; 1061- Ferroalloy Ores, Except Vanadium; 1081- Metal Mining Services 1094, 1099 - Miscellaneous Metal Ores	TSS Turbidity pH Total Antimony Total Arsenic Total Beryllium Total Cadmium Total Copper Total Iron Total Lead Total Manganese Total Mercury Total Nickel Total Selenium Total Silver Total Zinc	100 mg/L 5 NTUs above background 6.0-9.0 S.U. 0.636 mg/L 0.17 mg/ L 0.13 mg/L 0.0010 mg/ L 0.030 mg/ L 1.3 mg/L 0.010 mg/ L 1.0 mg/L 0.0019 mg/L 1.417 mg/L 0.05 mg/L 0.0318 mg/L 0.16 mg/L

(c) In addition to other required monitoring for discharges from waste rock and overburden piles, the permittee shall also conduct monitoring for additional pollutants as follows based on the type of ore mined at the site. Where a pollutant in the table below is the same as a pollutant required to be monitored in the table above (i.e., for all of the metals) the permittee shall use the corresponding benchmark value from the table above; otherwise, no benchmark levels apply.

The monitoring results conducted for the benchmark monitoring requirements for discharges from Waste Rock and Overburden Piles at active Metal Mining Facilities (section above) may be used to satisfy the monitoring requirement for the pollutant for this section. There are no applicable benchmarks for Radium and uranium in the table above. The frequency and schedule for monitoring the additional parameters, in the table below, is the same as that specified in Part IV of this permit.

Additional Monitoring Requirements for Discharges from Waste Rock and Overburden Piles.

Table 16. Requirements for Waste Rocks and Overburden Piles

Type of Ore Mined	Parameter
Tungsten Ore	pH, TSS, Total Arsenic, Total Cadmium, Total Copper, Total Lead, Total Zinc
Nickel Ore	pH, TSS, Total Arsenic, Total Cadmium, Total Copper, Total Lead, Total Zinc
Aluminum Ore	pH, TSS, Total Iron
Mercury Ore	pH, TSS, Total Nickel
Iron Ore	pH, TSS, Dissolved Iron

Type of Ore Mined	Parameter
Platinum Ore	Total Cadmium, Total Copper, Total Mercury, Total Lead, Total Zinc
Titanium Ore	pH, TSS, Total Iron, Total Nickel, Total Zinc
Vanadium Ore	pH, TSS, Total Arsenic, Total Cadmium, Total Copper, Total Lead, Total Zinc
Molybdenum	pH, TSS, Total Arsenic, Total Cadmium, Total Copper, Total Lead, Total Mercury, Total Zinc
Uranium, Radium, and Vanadium Ore	pH, TSS, Chemical Oxygen Demand, Total Arsenic, Total Radium, Dissolved Radium, Total Uranium, Total Zinc

7. Termination of Permit Coverage

(a) Termination of Permit Coverage for Sites Reclaimed After December 17, 1990.

A site or a portion of a site that has been released from applicable state or federal reclamation requirements after December 17, 1990, is no longer required to maintain coverage under this permit. If the site or portion of a site reclaimed after December 17, 1990, was not subject to reclamation requirements, the site or portion of the site is no longer required to maintain coverage under this permit if the site or portion of the site has been reclaimed as defined above in section 3.

(b) Termination of Permit Coverage for Sites Reclaimed Before December 17, 1990.

A site or portion of a site that was released from applicable state or federal reclamation requirements before December 17, 1990, or that was otherwise reclaimed before December 17, 1990, is no longer required to maintain coverage under this permit if the site or portion of the site has been reclaimed. A site or portion of a site is considered to have been reclaimed if:

(1) stormwater runoff that comes into contact with raw materials, intermediate byproducts, finished products, and waste products does not have the potential to cause or contribute to violations of state water quality standards;

(2) soil disturbing activities related to mining at the sites or portion of the site have been completed;

(3) the site or portion of the site has been stabilized to minimize soil erosion; and

(4) as appropriate depending on location, size, and the potential to contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges, the site or portion of the site has been re-vegetated, will be amenable to natural re-vegetation, or will be left in a condition consistent with the post-mining land use.

Section H. Sector H of Industrial Activity - Coal Mines and Coal Mining Related Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector H. Sector H industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR H: COAL MINES AND COAL MINING RELATED FACILITIES

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
1221	Bituminous Coal and Lignite Surface Mining
1222	Bituminous Coal Underground Mining
1231	Anthracite Mining
1241	Coal Mining Services

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

The requirements of Section H apply to stormwater discharges from the following areas of facilities identified by the SIC Codes specified in the table above, except that discharges regulated under 40 CFR Part 434 are not covered under this permit:

(a) haul roads;

(b) access roads;

(c) railroad spurs, sidings, and internal lines used to transport coal;

(d) areas around conveyor belts, chutes, and trams that convey coal;

(e) equipment storage and maintenance areas;

(f) coal handling areas, including buildings and structures;

(g) waste disposal areas;

(h) inactive coal mines where the performance bond has been released; and

(i) related areas where coal mining/processing activities take place.

3. Definitions

The following definitions apply only to Section H of this general permit:

Active coal mining facility. A place where work or other activity related to the extraction, removal, or recovery of coal is being conducted. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun. This definition is derived from the definition of "active mining area" found at 40 CFR §434.11(b).

Active phase. Activities including the extraction, removal or recovery of coal. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun. This definition is derived from the definition of "active mining area" found at 40 CFR §434.11(b). The active phase is considered part of "mining operations."

Bond Release. The time at which the appropriate regulatory authority returns a reclamation or performance bond based upon its determination that reclamation work (including, in the case of underground mines, mine sealing and abandonment procedures) has been satisfactorily completed. Phase Two completion is that point in the reclamation process where the property has been re-contoured and replanted but prior to final bond release.

Exploration phase. Entails exploration and land disturbance activities to determine the viability of a site. The exploration phase is not considered part of "mining operations."

Final Stabilization. All soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed and a uniform (e.g. evenly distributed, without large bare areas) perennial vegetative cover with a density of 70 percent (%) of the native background vegetative cover for the area has been established on all unpaved areas and areas not covered by permanent structures, or equivalent permanent stabilization measures (such as the use of riprap, gabions, or geotextiles) have been employed. Alternatively, for arid, semi-arid, and drought stricken areas only, final stabilization means that all soil disturbing activities at the site have been completed and both of the following criteria have been met: Temporary erosion control measures are selected, designed, and installed along with an appropriate seed base to provide erosion control for at least three years without active maintenance by the operator; and the temporary erosion control measures are selected, designed, and installed to achieve 70 % vegetative coverage within three years.

Inactive coal mining facility. A site or portion of a site, with an identifiable operator, where coal mining or milling occurred in the past but is not an active facility as defined above, where the inactive portion is not covered by an active mining permit and where the reclamation has not been completed.

Mining operation. Consists of the active and temporarily inactive phases, and the reclamation phase, but excludes the exploration and construction phases.

Reclamation phase. Activities undertaken to return the land to an appropriate post-mining land use prior to termination of permit coverage.

Temporarily inactive coal mining facility. A site or portion of a site where coal mining or milling occurred in the past but is not an active facility as defined above, where the inactive portion is not covered by an active mining permit, and where the reclamation phase has not been completed.

4. Limitations on Permit Coverage

The following discharges are not eligible for coverage under this general permit:

(a) discharges from coal mining activities subject to effluent limitation guidelines for the Coal Mining Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 434);

(b) seeps and underground drainage from inactive coal mines and refuse disposal areas that may constitute dry-weather flows and do not occur as a direct result of precipitation or runoff; and

(c) discharges from floor drains in maintenance buildings and similar drains in mining and preparation plant areas.

Reclaimed areas of a mine, where the performance bond has been released, are no longer considered industrial activity. Stormwater discharges from those areas are not required to be authorized under the TPDES program.

5. Additional SWP3 Requirements

The following requirements apply to all Sector H facilities:

(a) Site Map. Document where any of the following that are covered under this general permit and that may be exposed to stormwater: haul and access roads; railroad spurs, sliding, and internal hauling lines; conveyor belts, chutes, and aerial tramways; equipment storage and maintenance yards; coal handling buildings and structures; inactive mines and related areas; acidic spoil, refuse, or un-reclaimed disturbed areas; and liquid storage tanks containing pollutants such as caustics, hydraulic fluids, and lubricants.

(b) Potential Pollutant Sources.

(1) The SWP3 must document the following sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them:

a. truck traffic on haul roads and resulting generation of sediment subject to runoff and dust generation;

b. fuel or other liquid storage; pressure lines containing slurry, hydraulic fluid, or other potential harmful liquids; and loading or temporary storage of acidic refuse or spoil.

(2) In the summary of potential pollutant sources, the SWP3 must document areas at the facility where industrial materials or activities are exposed to stormwater and from which allowable non-stormwater discharges are released.

For each area identified, the description must include:

a. a list of the industrial activities exposed to stormwater;

b. a list of the pollutant(s) or pollutant constituents (e.g., crankcase oil, zinc, sulfuric acid, and cleaning solvents) associated with each identified activity, that includes all significant materials that have been handled, treated, stored, or disposed, and that have been exposed to stormwater in the 3 years prior to the date that the SWP3 was prepared or amended;

c. a list of the areas at the site where potential spills and leaks could occur that could contribute pollutants to stormwater, and the corresponding outfall(s) that would be affected by such spills and leaks. All significant spills and leaks of oil or toxic or hazardous pollutants that actually occurred at exposed areas, or that drained to a stormwater conveyance, in the 3 years prior to the date that the SWP3 was prepared or amended, must be documented; and

d. The location of any storage piles containing salt used for deicing or other commercial or industrial purposes.

(c) Erosion Control Measures. Erosion, siltation, dust, and other pollutant control regulations administered by the Railroad Commission of Texas or TCEQ must either be included as components of this section of the SWP3, or incorporated by reference. The permittee shall minimize disturbed areas and preserve vegetated areas to the maximum extent practicable. The SWP3 must include the following at a minimum:

(1) Stabilization Measures. Temporary and permanent stabilization measures must be employed to minimize erosion. These may include: maintaining existing native vegetative cover; seeding for temporary or permanent cover; temporary mulching,

matting, or netting; sodding; soil binding; using non-acid material for road surfacing; planting trees; and preserving existing trees.

(2) Structural Measures. Such as silt fences; earthen dikes; straw bales; graded terraces; pipe slope drains; porous rock check drains; sedimentation ponds; vegetated drainage swales; capping of contaminant sources; and physical or chemical treatment of stormwater.

(d) Preventive Maintenance. Perform inspections or other equivalent measures of storage tanks and pressure lines of fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluid, and slurry to prevent leaks due to deterioration or faulty connections. Operators must regularly inspect, test, maintain, and repair all industrial equipment and systems to avoid situations that may result in leaks, spills, and other releases of pollutants in stormwater discharged to receiving waters.

(e) Additional Inspection Requirements

(1) Inspections of Active Mining-Related Areas. Except for areas of the site subject to clearing, grading, or excavation activities conducted as part of the exploration and construction phase, the permittee shall perform quarterly inspections of active mining areas covered by this permit.

(2) Comprehensive site inspections must be conducted by qualified personnel with at least one member of the stormwater pollution prevention team participating in the comprehensive site inspections. Comprehensive site inspections must cover all areas of the facility affected by the requirements in this permit, including the areas identified in the SWP3 as potential pollutant sources where industrial materials or activities are exposed to stormwater and areas where spills and leaks have occurred in the past 3 years. The inspections must also include a review of monitoring data collected in accordance with this permit.

6. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 17. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector H

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
1221-1241	Coal Mines and Coal Mining-Related Facilities	TSS Aluminum, total Iron, total	50 mg/L 1.2 mg/L 1.3 mg/L

7. Inactive and Unstaffed Sites

If the permittee operates an inactive and unstaffed Sector H facility (including temporarily inactive and unstaffed sites), the permittee may waive the routine inspection, quarterly visual assessment and benchmark monitoring requirements. The permittee is conditionally exempt from the requirement to certify that there are no industrial materials or activities exposed to stormwater, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

(a) if circumstances change and the facility becomes active or staffed, this exemption no longer applies and the operator must immediately begin complying with the applicable

benchmark monitoring requirements as if they were in their first year of permit coverage, as well as the quarterly visual assessment requirements; and

(b) the discharge does not cause, have a reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to a violation of applicable water quality standards.

Subject to the two conditions above, if a Sector H facility is inactive and unstaffed, the operator is waived from the requirement to conduct quarterly visual assessments and routine facility inspections. Inactive industrial facilities must continue to conduct comprehensive site compliance inspections on at least an annual basis as described in Part III, Section B.5 of this permit. Inactive Sector H facilities may not obtain a waiver from comprehensive site compliance inspections. The operator is still responsible for notifying TCEQ about the status of the facility according to Part II.C.5 and 6.

8. Termination of Permit Coverage

(a) Termination of Permit Coverage for Sites Reclaimed After December 17, 1990. A site or a portion of a site that has been released from applicable state or federal reclamation requirements after December 17, 1990, is no longer required to maintain coverage under this permit. If the site or portion of a site reclaimed after December 17, 1990, was not subject to reclamation requirements, the site or portion of the site is no longer required to maintain coverage under this permit if the site or portion of the site has been reclaimed as defined in the following:

(b) Termination of Permit Coverage for Sites Reclaimed Before December 17, 1990. A site or portion of a site that was released from applicable state or federal reclamation requirements before December 17, 1990, or that was otherwise reclaimed before December 17, 1990, is no longer required to maintain coverage under this permit if the site or portion of the site has been reclaimed. A site or portion of a site is considered to have been reclaimed if:

(1) stormwater runoff that comes into contact with raw materials, intermediate byproducts, finished products, and waste products does not have the potential to cause or contribute to violations of state water quality standards;

(2) soil disturbing activities related to mining at the sites or portion of the site have been completed;

(3) the site or portion of the site has been stabilized to minimize soil erosion; and

(4) as appropriate depending on location, size, and the potential to contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges, the site or portion of the site has been re-vegetated, will be amenable to natural re-vegetation, or will be left in a condition consistent with the post-mining land use.

Section I. Sector I of Industrial Activity - Oil and Gas Extraction Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

Sector I facilities include facilities with activities directly related to oil and gas exploration, production, processing, or treatment operations; oil and gas transmission facilities prior to refining; and to oil and gas field service operations.

SECTOR I: OIL AND GAS EXTRACTION FACILITIES

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
Industrial Activities Regulated under the EPA's NPDES Program:	
1311	Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas
1321	Natural Gas Liquids
1381, 1382	Drilling Oil and Gas Wells; and Oil and Gas Field Exploration Services
1389	Oil and Gas Field Services, Not Elsewhere Classified, that occur in the field (excluding oil field service company operations noted below.)
Industrial Activities Regulated under this General Permit:	
1389	Oil and Gas Field Services, Not Elsewhere Classified, at a company headquarters, local offices, or at oil field service company "home base" that conduct only administrative and support activities for oil and gas field services that occur in the field.

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

(a) Agency Jurisdiction. The requirements in Subpart I apply to stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity from oil and gas extraction facilities that are under the jurisdiction of the TCEQ, as identified by the SIC Codes specified in the table above. Specifically, this general permit only provides coverage for facilities described by SIC Code 1389 that occur at the service company headquarters, permanent offices, or similar bases of operations where this industrial activity may occur. This may include non-contiguous facilities, but excludes all activities that occur at a well site or that are regulated by the U.S. EPA or the Texas Railroad Commission (RRC).

All of the other facilities with SIC codes listed above are not under the jurisdiction of the TCEQ and must obtain stormwater permit coverage from the U.S. EPA or the Texas RRC as applicable.

(b) Contaminated Stormwater. Facilities that are regulated under this general permit are only required to obtain permit coverage for contaminated stormwater. For the purposes of this section, contaminated stormwater is defined as stormwater runoff from a facility described by SIC Code 1389 that functions as a company headquarters, permanent office, or similar base of operations, and that has had one or more releases of a reportable quantity in stormwater for which notification has been required any time since November 16, 1987. For reportable quantity rules, see 30 TAC 327.

3. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) Non-contaminated Stormwater. Facilities regulated under this general permit are not required to obtain authorization if the facility has not had a release of a reportable

quantity in stormwater for which notification has been required any time since November 16, 1987.

(b) Stormwater Regulated by U.S. EPA.

(1) Coverage under this general permit is limited to oil and gas field service companies described by SIC code 1389 that occur at the company headquarters, permanent office, or similar base of operations. The requirements of this general permit are specific to those operations. Any facility described by an SIC code listed in the table above that is not covered by the TCEQ must obtain coverage as required from the U.S. EPA and the Texas RRC.

(2) General permit coverage for other stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity described by Sector I are not eligible for coverage under this general permit, and coverage must be obtained, as required, from the U.S. EPA and/or the Texas RRC.

(c) Wash Water. Discharges of vehicle and equipment wash water, including tank cleaning operations, are not authorized by this permit and such wash water discharges must be authorized under a separate TPDES permit, discharged to a sanitary sewer in accordance with applicable requirements, or disposed by an alternate authorized means.

4. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Drainage Area Site Map. The SWP3 must include the following information, in addition to what is required in Part III of this permit: location(s) of any reportable quantity (RQ) releases; locations used for the treatment, storage, or disposal of wastes; processing areas and storage areas; and chemical mixing areas.

(b) Potential Pollutant Sources. The SWP3 must document the following sources and activities, in addition to those already required in Part III of this general permit:

(1) chemical, cement, mud, or gel mixing activities,

(2) equipment cleaning and rehabilitation activities,

(3) information about the RQ release(s) that triggered the permit application requirements:

a. nature of the release (e.g., spill of oil from a drum storage area),

b. amount of oil or hazardous substance released,

c. amount of substance recovered,

d. date of the release,

e. cause of the release,

f. area(s) affected by the release,

g. procedure to clean up release,

h. actions or procedures implemented to prevent or improve response to a release, and

i. remaining potential contamination of stormwater from release.

(4) A “Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources.” The permittee shall document areas at their facility where industrial materials or activities are exposed to stormwater and from which allowable non-stormwater discharges are released.

Section J. Sector J of Industrial Activity - Mineral Mining and Processing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector J. Sector J industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR J: MINERAL MINING AND PROCESSING FACILITIES

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
1411	Dimension Stone
1422 – 1429	Crushed and Broken Stone, Including Rip Rap
1442, 1446	Sand and Gravel Mining
1455, 1459	Clay, Ceramic, and Refractory Materials
1474 – 1479	Chemical and Fertilizer Mineral Mining
1481	Nonmetallic Minerals, Except Fuels
1499	Miscellaneous Nonmetallic Minerals, Except Fuels

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Covered Discharges

The requirements in Section J apply to stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity from Active and Inactive Non-Metallic Mineral Mining and Dressing facilities as identified by the SIC Codes specified under Sector J above. These include stormwater discharges and mine dewatering discharges that consist solely of stormwater and non-contaminated groundwater seepage from inactive, active, and temporarily inactive facilities; and from sites undergoing reclamation.

3. Definitions

The following definitions apply only to Section J of this general permit:

Active Mineral Mining Facility. A place where work or other activity related to the extraction, removal, or recovery of minerals is being conducted. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun. This definition is derived from the definition of "active mining area" found at 40 CFR §440.132(a), related to Ore Mining and Dressing Point Source Category.

Active phase. Activities including the extraction, removal, or recovery of minerals. For surface mines, this definition does not include any land where grading has returned the earth to a desired contour and reclamation has begun. This definition is derived from the definition of "active mining area" found at 40 CFR §440.132(a), related to Ore Mining and Dressing Point Source Category. The active phase is considered part of mining operations.

Aggregates. Any commonly recognized construction material originating from a quarry or pit by the disturbance of the surface, including dirt, soil, rock asphalt, granite, gravel, gypsum, marble, sand, stone, caliche, limestone, dolomite, rock, riprap, or other non-

mineral substance. The term does not include clay or shale mined for use in manufacturing structural clay products.

Exploration phase. Entails exploration and land disturbance activities to determine the financial viability of a site. The exploration phase is not considered part of mining operations.

Inactive Mineral Mining Facility. A site or portion of a site, with an identifiable operator, where mineral mining or milling occurred in the past but is not an active facility as defined above, where the inactive portion is not covered by an active mining permit, and where the reclamation phase has not been completed.

Mine Dewatering. (From 40 CFR §436.21) any water that is impounded or that collects in the mine and is pumped, drained or otherwise removed from the mine through the efforts of the mine operator. However, if a mine is also used for treatment of process generated wastewater, discharges of commingled water from the facilities must be deemed discharges of process generated wastewater.

Mining operations. Includes the active mining, inactive mining, the temporarily inactive mining, and the reclamation phases, but excludes the exploration and construction phases.

Quarry. The site from which aggregates for commercial sale are being or have been removed or extracted from the earth to form a pit, including the entire excavation, stripped areas, haulage ramps, and the immediately adjacent land on which the plant processing the raw materials is located. The term does not include any land owned or leased by the operator not being currently used in the production of aggregates for commercial sale or an excavation to mine clay or shale for use in manufacturing structural clay products.

Temporarily Inactive Mineral Mining Facility. A site or portion of a site where mineral mining or milling occurred in the past and is not currently being actively undertaken, and where the facility is covered by an active mining permit.

Non-contaminated. Free from the presence of pollutants attributable to industrial activity.

4. Annual Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation

The SWP3 must be revised to reflect the findings of the annual comprehensive site compliance evaluation within a maximum of 12 weeks following completion of the evaluation for inactive mining facilities.

5. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) This general permit does not authorize the discharge of stormwater runoff described in the Texas Water Code, §26.553 (related to certain quarries located in the John Graves Scenic Riverway, in the Brazos River Basin), where TCEQ rules require coverage under an individual permit or alternative general permit. These facilities must obtain coverage under an alternative TPDES permit as described in applicable TCEQ rules.

(b) This permit does not authorize discharges from facilities described under the federal effluent limitations guidelines in 40 CFR Part 436 (Mineral Mining and Processing Point Source Category), except that stormwater and non-contaminated groundwater seepage from sand, gravel, and crushed stone mining operations described in this rule may be discharged, as described in section J.2. above and section J.6. below.

(c) Sites where mining claims are being maintained prior to disturbances associated with the extraction, beneficiation, or processing of mined materials, and sites where

minimal activities are undertaken for the sole purpose of maintaining a mining claim are not considered either active or inactive mining facilities and do not require a permit for stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity.

6. Numeric Effluent Limitations

Applicable to Sector J facilities discharging stormwater and mine dewatering consisting solely of stormwater and non-contaminated groundwater seepage from the following sand, gravel, and crushed stone mining operations that are subject to federal effluent limits. The following SIC codes are subject to numeric effluent limits for mine dewatering: 1422–1429 (Crushed Stone), 1442 (Construction Sand and Gravel), and 1446 (Industrial Sand).

(a) Construction Sand and Gravel (SIC 1442), Industrial Sand (SIC 1446), and Crushed Stone (SIC 1422–1429). The following numeric effluent limitations, based on guidelines for mine dewatering from the Mineral Mining and Processing Point Source Category (40 CFR Part 436), apply to mine dewatering operations (discharges from the mine pit of accumulated stormwater and non-contaminated groundwater seepage) at construction sand and gravel, industrial sand, or crushed stone mining facilities. Samples of these discharges must be obtained before the runoff combines with other stormwater runoff, analyzed, and must not exceed the following numeric effluent limitations:

(1) For mine dewatering discharges from facilities regulated under 40 CFR Part 436, Subpart B (Crushed Stone Subcategory) and Subpart C (Construction Sand and Gravel Subcategory), the following effluent limits apply:

Table 18. Numeric Effluent Limitations for Mine Dewatering at Sector J Crushed Stone Mining Facilities and Construction Sand and Gravel Mining Facilities

Industrial Activity	Parameter [1]	Limitations[1] Daily Avg.	Limitations Daily Max.
Mine Dewatering Discharges at Crushed Stone Mining Facilities (SIC 1422-1429)	pH	6.0-9.0 S.U.	6.0-9.0 S.U.
Mine Dewatering Discharges at Construction Sand and Gravel Mining Facilities (SIC 1442)	pH	6.0-9.0 S.U.	6.0-9.0 S.U.

[1] Monitor annually.

(2) For mine dewatering discharges from facilities regulated by 40 CFR Part 436, Subpart D (Industrial Sand Subcategory), the following effluent limits apply:

Table 19. Numeric Effluent Limitations for Mine Dewatering at Sector J Industrial Sand Mining Facilities

Industrial Activity	Parameter [1]	Limitations Daily Avg.	Limitations Daily Max.
Mine Dewatering Discharges at Industrial Sand Mining Facilities (SIC 1446)	TSS pH	25 mg/L 6.0-9.0 S.U.	45 mg/L 6.0-9.0 S.U.

[1] Monitor annually.

These limitations do not apply to Sector J facilities that are not subject to federal guidelines at 40 CFR Part 436.

(b) Waivers from Numeric Effluent Limitations. Numeric effluent limitations for mine dewatering do not apply to discharges that overflow from structural control facilities that are designed, constructed, and maintained to contain or treat the volume of mine dewatering wastewater that would result from a 10-year, 24-hour storm event. The permittee shall maintain, as a part of the SWP3, the following information in order to receive this waiver: engineering design records that demonstrate structural controls are adequate to intercept, contain, and treat the volume of runoff from a 10-year, 24-hour storm event; and records of rainfall from an on-site rain gauge, a representative weather station, or subject to TCEQ's approval, an alternative means of compliance. Rainfall records are only required to document events that equal or exceed a 10-year, 24-hour event.

7. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsectors must conduct benchmark monitoring on discharges of stormwater associated with industrial activities according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit.

Table 20. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector J

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
1411 1422-1429 1481	Dimension Stone Crushed and Broken Stone, Incl. Rip Rap Nonmetallic Minerals, Except Fuels	TSS pH	50 mg/L 6.0-9.0 S.U.
1442,1446	Sand and Gravel Mining	Nitrate + Nitrite N TSS	0.68 mg/L 50 mg/L

8. Mining-Related Non-Stormwater Discharges

Certification of Discharge Testing. The permittee shall test or evaluate all outfalls covered under this permit for the presence of specific mining-related non-stormwater discharges such as discharges subject to effluent limitations guidelines (e.g., 40 CFR Part 436). The SWP3 must include information on the discharge from each outfall.

9. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Employee Training. The permittee shall conduct employee training at least once per year at active and temporarily inactive sites.

Training must be conducted for all employees who work in areas where industrial materials or activities are exposed to stormwater, or who are responsible for implementing activities necessary to meet the conditions of this permit (e.g., inspectors, maintenance personnel), including all members of the Pollution Prevention Team. Training must cover the specific control measures used to achieve the requirements in this section, plus the monitoring, inspection, planning, reporting, and documentation requirements in other parts of this permit.

(b) The following requirements are required to be in the SWP3 for active mineral mining facilities, temporarily inactive mineral mining facilities, and sites being returned or transitioned into an appropriate post mining use, and are in addition to the

requirements listed in Part III of this general permit. These requirements are not applicable to inactive mineral mining facilities. (also see Part V, Section J.10. below)

(1) A description of the nature of the industrial activities at the facility;

(2) A map showing the general location of the facility and all surface waters for receiving discharges authorized under this general permit; and

(3) A site map showing:

a. the size of the property in acres;

b. the location and extent of significant structures and impervious surfaces;

c. locations of all existing structural control measures;

d. locations of all of the immediate receiving, with an indication whether any of the waters are impaired and, if so, whether the waters have TMDLs established for them;

e. locations of all stormwater conveyances including ditches, pipes, and swales;

f. locations of all stormwater monitoring points;

g. locations of stormwater inlets and outfalls, with a unique identification code for each outfall (e.g., Outfall No. 001, 002, etc), indicating if one or more outfalls is being treated as "substantially similar" in accordance with Part III, Section D.2.(b) of this general permit, and an approximate outline of the areas draining to each outfall;

h. locations and descriptions of all non-stormwater discharges identified under Part V, Section J.8.

i. locations of the following activities where such activities are exposed to stormwater:

(i) fueling and maintenance areas;

(ii) locations used for the treatment, storage, or disposal of wastes;

(iii) liquid storage tanks;

(iv) immediate access roads and rail lines used or traveled by carriers of raw materials, manufactured products, waste material, or by-products used or created by the facility;

(v) transfer areas for substances in bulk; and machinery; and

(vi) locations and sources of runon to the facility from adjacent property that contains significant quantities of pollutants.

(c) Potential Pollutant Sources. For each area of the mine or mill site, including onsite and offsite haul and access roads, where stormwater discharges associated with industrial activities occur, the permittee shall document in the SWP3 the types of pollutants (e.g., heavy metals, sediment) likely to be present in significant amounts.

(d) Permittees shall minimize, to the extent practicable, the off-site vehicle tracking of sediments and the generation of dust. The SWP3 must include a description of controls utilized to accomplish this requirement.

(e) Discharges from dewatering activities, including discharges from dewatering of trenches and excavations, are prohibited, unless managed by appropriate controls.

(f) Permittees shall design and utilize appropriate controls to minimize the offsite transport of suspended sediments and other pollutants if it is necessary to pump or dewater standing water from the site.

10. Inactive and Unstaffed Sites – Monitoring Waivers

Conditional exemption from routine inspections, quarterly visual assessments, and benchmark monitoring:

A permitted operator of an inactive and unstaffed Sector J facility, including temporarily inactive and unstaffed sites may be waived from the routine inspection, quarterly visual assessment and benchmark monitoring requirements. These permittees are conditionally exempt from the requirement to certify that there are no industrial materials or activities exposed to stormwater, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

(a) If circumstances change and the facility becomes active or staffed, this exemption no longer applies and the operator must immediately begin complying with the applicable benchmark monitoring requirements as if they were in their first year of permit coverage, as well as the quarterly visual assessment requirements; and

(b) the discharge does not cause, have a reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to a violation of applicable water quality standards.

Subject to the two conditions above, if a Sector J facility is inactive and unstaffed, the operator is waived from the requirement to conduct quarterly visual assessments, routine facility inspections, and benchmark monitoring. The operator is still responsible for notifying TCEQ about the status of the facility according to Part II.C.5 and 6.

Inactive industrial facilities must continue to conduct comprehensive site compliance inspections on at least an annual basis as described in Part III, Section B.5 of this permit. Inactive Sector J facilities may not obtain a waiver from comprehensive site compliance inspections.

11. Termination of Permit Coverage

(a) The permittee shall continue to meet the requirements of this general permit until authorization under the general permit is terminated. The permittee may terminate coverage by submitting an NOT in accordance with Part II.C.7 of this general permit. For the purposes of this section (Sector J), Part II.C.7.(a)(1)c. of the general permit, related to termination of coverage, means either that final stabilization of the site must be achieved or the site must be returned to an alternative post-mining use.

(b) A site or portion of a site is considered to have achieved final stabilization or to be returned to an alternative post mining use if the permittee can demonstrate that it has accomplished either of the following two conditions, (1) or (2):

(1) Final Stabilization. To achieve final stabilization, the permittee shall insure that all of the following requirements (a through d) have been met:

a. Stormwater runoff that comes into contact with raw materials, intermediate byproducts, finished products, and waste products does not have the potential to cause or contribute to violations of state water quality standards.

b. Soil disturbing activities related to mining at the site or portion of the site have been completed.

c. The site or portion of the site has been stabilized to minimize soil erosion.

d. If appropriate depending on the type, location, or size of the site, and its potential to contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges, the site or portion of the site has been revegetated, will be amenable to natural revegetation, or will be left in a condition consistent with the post-mining land use described in paragraph (2) below.

(2) Alternative Post Mining Use: For the purposes of this section, a permittee may submit an NOT to terminate coverage if the land has been returned to an alternative post-mining land use. For example, this may include construction pad sites and lakes.

Section K. Sector K of Industrial Activity - Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

Sector K facilities include those facilities with activities directly related to the treatment, storage, and disposal of hazardous wastes, including those that are operating under the regulatory authority and authorization of Subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

SECTOR K: HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT, STORAGE, AND DISPOSAL FACILITIES

Activity Codes and SIC Code Description

HZ Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

Stormwater discharges from treatment, storage, or disposal facilities as defined under 30 TAC Chapter 335, Subchapter E (40 CFR Part 265), 30 TAC Chapter 305 (40 CFR Part 270), and 30 TAC Chapter 335, Subchapter F (40 CFR Part 264), including those operating under interim status or a permit under these rules, may obtain coverage under this general permit if other applicable requirements are met.

3. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) Coverage is limited to those facilities that treat, store, or dispose of hazardous waste and are defined under 30 TAC Chapter 335, Subchapter E (40 CFR Part 265), 30 TAC Chapter 305 (40 CFR Part 270), or 30 TAC Chapter 335, Subchapter F (40 CFR Part 264), including those operating under interim status or a permit under these rules. The executive director may require an individual TPDES permit for any discharges under this sector if conditions warrant.

(b) This section does not include generators who temporarily store hazardous waste pursuant to the requirements in 30 TAC §§335.69 (40 CFR §262.34), 335.2(d)(5), 335.41, or 335.94 (40 CFR §263.12). Based on the facility SIC code, operators of such facilities may be regulated under an alternative sector of this general permit, or may not require permit coverage.

(c) This general permit does not authorize the discharge of landfill wastewater subject to federal effluent guidelines at 40 CFR Part 445 (Landfills Point Source Category), including, but not limited to: leachate; gas collection condensate; drained free liquids;

laboratory derived wastewater; contaminated stormwater; and contact washwater from washing truck, equipment and railcar exteriors and surface areas that have come in direct contact with solid waste at the landfill facility. The discharge or disposal of landfill wastewater subject to federal effluent guidelines at 40 CFR Part 445 must be authorized under an individual TPDES permit or other authorized means.

(d) All facilities regulated under this general permit that treat, store, or dispose of hazardous waste must comply with all applicable rules and regulations, including 30 TAC Chapters 305 and 335.

4. Definitions

Contaminated stormwater. Stormwater that comes into direct contact with landfill wastes, the waste handling and treatment areas, or landfill wastewater. Some specific areas of a landfill that may produce contaminated stormwater include (but are not limited to) the open face of an active landfill with exposed waste (no cover added); the areas around wastewater treatment operations; trucks, equipment, or machinery that has been in direct contact with the waste; and waste dumping areas.

Drained free liquids. Aqueous wastes drained from waste containers (e.g., drums) prior to land filling.

Landfill. A disposal facility or part of a facility where solid waste or hazardous waste is placed in or on land and that is not a pile, a land treatment facility, a surface impoundment, an injection well, a salt dome formation, a salt bed formation, an underground mine, a cave, or a corrective action management unit, as these terms are defined elsewhere in TCEQ or EPA rules.

Landfill wastewater. As defined in 40 CFR Part 445 (Landfills Point Source Category), all wastewater associated with, or produced by, land filling activities except for sanitary wastewater, non-contaminated stormwater, contaminated groundwater, and wastewater from recovery pumping wells. Landfill wastewater includes, but is not limited to, leachate, gas collection condensate, drained free liquids, laboratory derived wastewater, contaminated stormwater, and contact washwater from washing truck, equipment, and railcar exteriors and surface areas that have come in direct contact with solid waste at the landfill facility.

Leachate. Any liquid, included any suspended components in the liquid, that has percolated through or drained from solid waste or hazardous waste.

Non-contaminated stormwater. Stormwater that does not come into direct contact with landfill wastes, the waste handling and treatment areas, or landfill wastewater. Non-contaminated stormwater includes stormwater that flows off the cap, cover, intermediate cover, daily cover, or final cover of the landfill.

5. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values in Table 21:

Table 21. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Sector K

Activity Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
HZ	Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal	Ammonia-Nitrogen Magnesium, total COD Arsenic, total Cadmium, total Cyanide, total Lead, total Mercury, total Selenium, total Silver, total	1.7 mg/L 1.4 mg/L 60 mg/L 0.010 mg/L 0.001 mg/L 0.02 mg/L 0.010 mg/L 0.0002mg/L 0.01 mg/L 0.002 mg/L

Section L. Sector L of Industrial Activity - Landfills and Land Application Sites

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector L. Sector L industrial activities are described by the following Industrial Activity Code:

SECTOR L: LANDFILLS AND LAND APPLICATION SITES

Activity Codes and SIC Code Description

LF -Landfills, Land Application Sites, and Open Dumps that Receive or Have Previously Received Industrial Waste, including sites subject to regulation under Subtitle D of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

2. Definitions

The following definitions apply only to Section L of this general permit:

Contaminated Stormwater. Stormwater that comes into direct contact with landfill wastes, the waste handling and treatment areas, or landfill wastewater. Some areas of a landfill that may produce contaminated stormwater include (but are not limited to) the open face of an active landfill with exposed waste (no cover added); the areas around wastewater treatment operations; trucks, equipment, or machinery that has been in direct contact with the waste; and waste dumping areas.

Drained Free Liquid. Aqueous wastes drained from waste containers (e.g., drums) prior to land filling.

Final Cover. As described in 30 TAC Chapter 330.

Final Stabilization. For the purpose of this permit, includes all requirements needed to achieve final regulatory closure of the site.

Inactive Landfill. A facility that no longer receives waste and has completed closure according to all applicable federal, state, and local requirements, but where an authorization under this general permit is maintained.

Industrial Waste. Solid waste from manufacturing portions of industrial activities defined in this general permit.

Intermediate Cover. As described in 30 TAC Chapter 330.

Landfill. A solid waste management unit where solid waste is placed in or on land and that is not a pile, a land treatment unit, a surface impoundment, an injection well, a salt dome formation, an underground mine, a cave, or a corrective action management unit.

Landfill Wastewater. As defined in 40 CFR Part 445 (Landfills Point Source Category) all wastewater associated with, or produced by, land filling activities except for sanitary wastewater, non-contaminated stormwater, contaminated groundwater, and wastewater from recovery pumping wells. Landfill process wastewater includes, but is not limited to, leachate, gas collection condensate, drained free liquids, laboratory-derived wastewater, contaminated stormwater, and contact wash water from washing truck, equipment, and railcar exteriors and surface areas that have come in direct contact with solid waste at the landfill facility.

Land Application Site, or Land Treatment Facility. For the purpose of this permit, a facility or part of a facility at which solid waste is applied onto or incorporated into the soil surface and that is not a corrective action management unit; such facilities are disposal facilities if the waste will remain after closure.

Leachate. Liquid that has passed through or emerged from solid waste and contains soluble, suspended, or miscible materials removed from such waste.

Municipal Solid Waste (MSW). Solid waste, resulting from or incidental to municipal, community, commercial, institutional, and recreational activities, including garbage, rubbish, ashes, street cleanings, dead animals, abandoned automobiles, and all other solid waste other than industrial solid waste.

Municipal Solid Waste Facility. All contiguous land, structures, other appurtenances, and improvements on the land used for processing, storing, or disposing of solid waste. A facility may be publicly or privately owned and may consist of several processing, storage, or disposal operational units, e.g., one or more landfills, surface impoundments, or combinations of them.

Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Unit. A discrete area of land or an excavation that receives household waste and that is not a land application unit, surface impoundment, injection well, or waste pile, as those terms are defined under 40 CFR §257.2. A municipal solid waste (MSW) landfill unit also may receive other types of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle D wastes, such as commercial solid waste, nonhazardous sludge, conditionally exempt small-quantity generator waste, and industrial solid waste. Such a landfill may be publicly or privately owned. An MSW landfill unit may be a new MSW landfill unit, an existing MSW landfill unit, a vertical expansion, or a lateral expansion.

Non-Contaminated Stormwater. Stormwater that does not come into direct contact with landfill wastes, the waste handling and treatment areas, or landfill wastewater. Non-contaminated stormwater includes stormwater that flows off the cap, cover, intermediate cover, intact daily cover, or final cover of the landfill.

Open Dump. A facility for the disposal of solid waste that is not otherwise defined in this section.

Temporary Stabilization. A condition where exposed soils or disturbed areas are provided a protective cover, which may include temporary seeding, geotextiles, mulches, and other techniques to reduce or eliminate erosion until either final stabilization can be achieved or until further construction activities take place.

3. Covered Stormwater Discharges

(a) This permit authorizes the discharge of non-contaminated stormwater and uncontaminated groundwater associated with waste disposal at landfills, land application sites, and open dumps that receive or have received solid waste from an industrial activity covered under this general permit, including sites subject to regulation under Subtitle D of RCRA.

(b) Landfill activities include the construction of new landfill cells that take place as part of normal landfill operations. This permit does not cover stormwater discharges from the initial construction of the landfill.

(c) Stormwater discharges from sites where wastewater or sludge is land applied is not required to be permitted, provided that the disposal site is properly permitted by the TCEQ or the EPA, and that stormwater runoff from the disposal site does not contact the wastewater or sludge.

4. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) This general permit does not authorize the discharge of landfill wastewater subject to federal effluent guidelines at 40 CFR Part 445 (Landfills Point Source Category), including: leachate; gas collection condensate; drained free liquids; laboratory derived wastewater; contaminated stormwater; and contact wash water from washing truck, equipment and railcar exteriors. The discharge or disposal of landfill wastewater must be authorized under an individual TPDES permit or other authorized means.

(b) Non-contaminated stormwater discharges from any landfill; land application site; or open dump that does not receive or has not received any solid waste from industrial activities regulated under this permit does not require authorization under this permit.

(c) Closed Landfills. Permit Coverage is not required for a landfill that has received written acknowledgement of final facility closure from the executive director, in accordance with TCEQ's solid waste regulations. Closed or inactive landfills that are no longer in use but that have not received final closure approval from TCEQ (and hence have not begun the 30 year post closure monitoring), would still be considered industrial activities and coverage should be maintained as an inactive landfill.

(d) All permittees regulated under this section of the general permit that generate solid waste, including municipal solid waste, shall comply with all applicable rules and regulations, including 30 TAC Chapter 330.

5. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Maintenance Program. The permittee shall maintain all elements of leachate collection and treatment systems in order to prevent the discharge of stormwater that has commingled with leachate, contaminated stormwater, or other landfill wastewater. The permittee shall also maintain integrity and effectiveness of any intermediate or final cover (including repairing the cover as necessary), for the purpose of minimizing the effects of settlement, sinking, and erosion.

(b) Erosion and Sedimentation Control Measures. The permittee shall provide temporary stabilization for the following areas and activities:

(1) materials stockpiled for daily, intermediate, and final cover;

(2) inactive areas of the landfill or open dump;

(3) landfills or open dump areas that have gotten final covers but where vegetation has yet to establish itself; and

(4) land application sites where waste application has been completed but final vegetation has not yet been established.

(c) Investigation and Certification of Non-Stormwater Discharges. The permittee shall include leachate, vehicle wash water, and contaminated stormwater in its investigation and certification of non-stormwater discharges.

(d) Site Map. The site map must depict the locations of the following:

(1) Active, inactive, and closed solid waste landfill cells or units;

(2) active and closed land application areas;

(3) any known leachate springs or similar uncontrolled leachate sources that could contact stormwater; and

(4) leachate collection and treatment systems.

(e) Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources. The SWP3 must include documentation of the following activities:

(1) fertilizer, herbicide, and pesticide application;

(2) earth and soil moving;

(3) waste hauling and loading or unloading;

(4) outdoor storage of significant materials, including daily, intermediate, and final cover material stockpiles as well as temporary waste storage areas;

(5) exposure of active and inactive landfill and land application areas;

(6) uncontrolled leachate flows; and

(7) failure or leaks from leachate collection and treatment systems.

(f) Periodic Inspections.

(1) Inactive sites. For inactive landfills and land application sites, this section of the SWP3 must include inspection procedures for qualified personnel to evaluate the stabilization and structural erosion control measures, as well as the leachate collection and treatment systems.

(2) Periodic Inspection Frequency. Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B. of this general permit, but inspections must be conducted at the following frequencies:

a. for active landfills, open dumps, and land application sites, at least once every seven (7) days; alternatively, in arid areas, inspections may be conducted at least once each month; or

b. for areas of landfill sites where landfill activities are completed and soils are finally stabilized, and for land application sites where land application has been completed, inspections must be conducted at least once every month.

(g) Erosion Control Measures. The permittee shall provide temporary stabilization of all materials that are stockpiled and stored for future use. Inactive areas of the landfill with stockpiled materials that have intermediate cover, but no final cover, must be

stabilized. Inactive areas that have received final cover must be temporarily stabilized until final stabilization measures are completed. Inactive land application areas must be temporarily stabilized until final stabilization measures are completed.

(h) Records. Operators of landfills or open dumps shall keep records of the types of wastes disposed of in each cell or trench, and land application site operators shall maintain a tracking system to define the types and quantities of wastes applied within specific areas of the application site. These records must either be included in the SWP3 or be referenced and made readily available for review upon request by authorized TCEQ personnel as well as any local pollution control agency with jurisdiction.

6. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 22. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Activity Codes in Sector L

Activity Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
LF	Landfills, Land Application Sites, and Open Dumps	TSS Iron, total*	100 mg/L 1.3 mg/L

*Sampling for total iron is not required for discharges from municipal solid waste landfill areas that have been closed in accordance with 40 CFR §258.60.

Section M. Sector M of Industrial Activity - Automobile Salvage Yards

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector M. Sector M industrial activities are described by the following SIC code:

SECTOR M: AUTOMOBILE SALVAGE YARDS

SIC Codes *SIC Code Description*

5015 Automobile Salvage Yards

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Employee Training. The following areas must be addressed in the employee training program: proper handling (collection, storage, and disposal) of oil, used mineral spirits, anti-freeze, mercury switches, and solvents.

(b) Site Map. Include the locations of the following:

(1) vehicle and vehicle parts storage areas;

(2) vehicle dismantling areas;

(3) vehicle and equipment fueling and maintenance areas;

(4) vehicle, parts, and equipment cleaning areas;

(5) waste treatment, storage and disposal areas; and

(6) areas where fluids or fuels are stored in drums, tanks, or other containers.

(c) The SWP3 must include an assessment of the potential for each of the areas listed above to contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges from the site.

(d) Spill Prevention and Response Measures.

(1) Vehicles must be inspected for leaking fluids upon arrival at the facility. Actions must be immediately taken to prevent the discharge of fluids according to specific measures established by the operator within the spill prevention and response measures section of the SWP3. Upon the arrival (or as soon after the arrival as feasible) of vehicles at the site that are intended to be dismantled, the permittee shall drain those vehicles of all fluids, or shall employ another equivalent mean to prevent spills and leaks.

(2) Vehicles that are stored but are not drained of fluids must be inspected for leaks at least once per quarter. These inspections may be incorporated as part of the standard periodic inspections. The spill prevention and response measures must be developed with specific guidelines for inspecting stored vehicles and measures to be taken when vehicles are identified as leaking or in danger of developing leaks. All fluids must be handled and disposed of according to all applicable state and federal regulations.

(e) Periodic Inspections. Equipment containing oily parts, hydraulic fluids, or other fluids must be inspected for leaks during the periodic inspections.

(f) Good Housekeeping Measures. Equipment operators shall conduct inspections of equipment on a daily basis when equipment is in use.

(g) Employee Training Program and Employee Education. The employee training program must include training on the following operations at facilities where these activities occur, or wastes are generated:

(1) used oil and spent solvent management;

(2) management of metal filings and dust from welding, grinding, and similar operations that produce metal waste; and

(3) lead-acid battery management.

3. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 23. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in sector M

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
5015	Automobile Salvage Yards	Aluminum, total TSS Iron, total Lead, total	1.2 mg/L 100 mg/L 1.3 mg/L 0.010 mg/L

Section N. Sector N of Industrial Activity - Scrap and Waste Recycling Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector N. Sector N industrial activities are described by the following SIC Code:

SECTOR N: SCRAP AND WASTE RECYCLING FACILITIES

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
5093	Scrap and Waste Recycling Facilities (e.g., metals, paper, plastic, cardboard, glass, animal hides, used oil, antifreeze, mineral spirits, industrial solvents, computers, electronics, and other materials listed in the SIC Code Manual Under SIC 5093)

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Limitations on Permit Coverage

Stormwater discharges from storage or stockpile areas for metal turnings previously exposed to cutting oils, are only eligible for coverage if these materials are isolated from stormwater by storm resistant shelters or if the following BMPs are implemented:

(a) dedicated containment areas are used that include a perimeter barrier to prevent stormwater runon and runoff; containment areas and perimeter barriers are constructed of concrete, or other similar impermeable oil-resistant materials; and

(b) if discharges only occur following treatment through an oil/water separator or similarly efficient treatment unit.

3. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Requirements for Specific Facilities:

(1) Scrap and Waste Recycling Facilities (Non-Source Separated, Non-liquid Recyclable Materials). The requirements below apply to facilities that receive, process, and wholesale distribute non-liquid recyclable wastes (e.g., ferrous and nonferrous metals, plastics, glass, cardboard, and paper) and that may receive both non-recyclable and recyclable materials. These requirements do not apply to facilities that accept recyclables only from sources that are primarily non-industrial and residential.

a. Inbound Recyclable and Waste Material Control Program. The permittee shall conduct inspections of inbound recyclables and waste materials to minimize the acceptance materials that could be significant sources of pollutants.

b. Scrap and Waste Material Stockpiles and Storage (Outdoor). The permittee shall minimize the potential for stormwater to contact stockpiled materials, processed materials, and non-recyclable wastes.

c. Stockpiling of Turnings Exposed to Cutting Fluids (Outdoor Storage). The permittee shall minimize the potential for stormwater to contact residual cutting fluids.

d. Scrap and Waste Material Stockpiles and Storage (Covered or Indoor Storage). The permittee shall minimize the potential for stormwater to contact residual liquids and particulate matter from materials stored indoors or under cover.

e. Scrap and Recyclable Waste Processing Areas. The permittee shall minimize the potential for stormwater to contact scrap processing equipment by addressing operations that generate visible amounts of particulate residue (e.g., shredding) and minimizing the contact of accumulated particulate matter and residual fluids with runoff (e.g., through good housekeeping, preventive maintenance).

f. Scrap Lead-Acid Battery Program. The permittee shall properly handle, store, and dispose of scrap lead-acid batteries, and shall segregate scrap lead-acid batteries from other scrap materials.

g. Spill Prevention and Response Procedures. The permittee shall install alarms or pump shutoff systems on outdoor equipment with hydraulic reservoirs exceeding 150 gallons in the event of a line break. Alternatively, the permittee may use a secondary containment system capable of holding the entire contents of the reservoir plus room for precipitation. The permittee shall use a mercury spill kit for any release of mercury from switches, anti-lock brake systems, and switch storage areas.

(2) Waste Recycling Facilities (Liquid Recyclable Materials).

a. Waste Material Storage (Indoor). The permittee shall minimize the potential for stormwater to contact residual liquids from waste materials stored indoors.

b. Waste Material Storage (Outdoor). The permittee shall minimize the potential for stormwater to contact stored residual liquids. The SWP3 may refer to applicable portions of other existing plans, such as SPCC plans required by 40 CFR Part 112.

c. Trucks and Rail Car Waste Transfer Areas. The permittee shall minimize the potential for pollutants in discharges from truck and rail car loading and unloading areas, and shall include measures to clean up minor spills and leaks resulting from the transfer of liquid wastes.

(3) Recycling Facilities (Source-Separated Materials). The following requirements apply to facilities that receive only source-separated recyclables, primarily from non-industrial and residential sources (e.g. local government recycling facility).

a. Inbound Recyclable Material Control. The permittee shall minimize the chance of accepting non-recyclables (e.g., hazardous materials) that could be a significant source of pollutants by conducting inspections of inbound materials.

b. Outdoor Storage. The permittee shall minimize exposure of recyclables to stormwater, and shall use good housekeeping measures to prevent accumulation of particulate matter and fluids, particularly in high traffic areas.

c. Indoor Storage and Material Processing. The permittee shall minimize the release of pollutants from indoor storage and processing areas.

d. Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance. The permittee shall establish controls to minimize pollutants in stormwater from vehicle and equipment maintenance.

(b) Drainage Area Site Map. The site map must include the locations of any of the following activities or sources that may be exposed to precipitation or surface runoff: scrap and waste material storage, outdoor scrap and waste processing equipment; and containment areas for turnings exposed to cutting fluids.

(c) Maintenance Schedules/Procedures for Collection, Handling, and Disposal or Recycling of Residual Fluids at Scrap and Waste Recycling Facilities. For any facility that is subject to Part V, Section N.3.(a)(3) above, the SWP3 must identify any applicable maintenance schedule and the procedures to collect, handle, and dispose or recycle residual fluids.

(d) Additional Inspection Requirements. Routine Facility Inspections must be performed once per quarter as described in Part III, Section B.2., and must include, at a minimum, all areas where waste is generated, received, stored, treated, or disposed and that are exposed stormwater.

4. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 24. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in sector N

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
5093	Scrap and Waste Recycling Facilities	Copper, total Aluminum, total Iron, total Lead, total Zinc, total TSS COD	0.030 mg/L 1.2 mg/L 1.3 mg/L 0.010 mg/L 0.16 mg/L 100 mg/L 60 mg/L

Section O. Sector O of Industrial Activity - Steam Electric Generating Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector O. Sector O industrial activities are described by the following Industrial Activity Code:

SECTOR O: STEAM ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES

Activity Code and SIC Code Description

SE - Steam Electric Power Generating Facilities

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

The requirements of this section apply to stormwater discharges from the following facilities:

(a) Steam electric power generating facilities as defined in 40 CFR §122.26(b)(14)(vii), that use coal, natural gas, oil, nuclear energy, or other fuel to produce a steam source, including facilities regulated under 40 CFR Part 423 (Steam Electric Power Generating Point Source Category);

(b) coal handling areas located at regulated facilities;

(c) coal pile runoff at regulated facilities; and

(d) duel fuel facilities that could employ a steam boiler.

3. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) Non-stormwater discharges subject to effluent limitations guidelines at 40 CFR Part 423 are not eligible for coverage under this general permit.

(b) Stormwater discharges from the following types of facilities are not required to obtain permit coverage and are not eligible for coverage under this general permit:

(1) ancillary facilities (for example, fleet centers and substations) that are not contiguous to a steam electric power generating facility;

(2) gas turbine facilities (providing the facility is not a dual-fuel facility that includes a steam boiler) and combined-cycle facilities where no supplemental fuel oil is burned (and the facility is not a dual-fuel facility that includes a steam boiler); and

(3) cogeneration (combined heat and power) facilities utilizing a gas turbine.

4. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Drainage Area Site Map. The site map must clearly identify the locations of any of the following activities or sources, if they are exposed to stormwater: storage tanks, scrap yards, and general refuse areas; areas used for short-term or long-term storage of general materials; landfills; and stock pile areas.

(b) Good Housekeeping Measures. The permittee shall implement the following housekeeping measures, which must also be documented in the SWP3:

(1) Fugitive Dust Emissions. Minimize fugitive dust emissions from coal handling areas, and the tracking of coal dust offsite.

(2) Minimize the potential for stormwater contamination from the following areas or activities:

a. delivery vehicles arriving at the plant site;

b. fuel oil unloading areas;

c. chemical loading and unloading;

d. miscellaneous loading and unloading areas;

e. above-ground liquid storage tanks;

f. large bulk fuel storage tanks;

g. oil-bearing equipment in switchyard areas;

h. areas adjacent to disposal ponds or landfills; and

i. landfills, scrap yards, surface impoundments, open dumps, general refuse sites.

(3) Spill Reduction Measures. Implement BMPs to minimize the potential for an oil or chemical spill, or reference the appropriate part of a SPCC plan, if applicable.

(4) Residue-Hauling Vehicles. Inspect all residue-hauling vehicles for proper covering over the load, adequate gate sealing, and overall integrity of the container body. Repair vehicles without load covering or adequate gate sealing, or with leaking containers or beds.

(5) Ash Loading Areas. Reduce or control the tracking of ash and residue from ash loading areas. Clear the ash building floor and immediately adjacent roadways of spillage, debris, and excess water before departure of each loaded vehicle.

(c) Additional Inspection Requirements

(1) Periodic Inspections. In addition to the standard routine facility inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B.2. of this general permit, visual inspections must be conducted at least once per week to determine the structural integrity of above-ground storage tanks, pipelines, pumps and other related equipment. If repairs are necessary, they must be performed as expeditiously as practicable; except that repairs must be made immediately if there is a risk to water quality.

(2) Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation. In addition to the standard site compliance inspections described in Part III, Sections B.2. and B.5. of this general permit, personnel must inspect coal handling areas, loading/unloading areas, switchyards, fueling areas, bulk storage areas, ash handling areas, disposal ponds and landfills, maintenance areas, liquid storage tanks, and material storage areas at a minimum frequency of once per month.

5. Numeric Effluent Limitations

(a) The following numeric effluent limitations, based on guidelines from the Steam Electric Generating Point Source Category [40 CFR §§423.12 (b)(1) and (9)], apply to any stormwater runoff from coal pile storage areas. Samples of these discharges must be obtained before the runoff combines with any other discharge, and shall be analyzed for the following pollutants. The analytical result must not exceed the following numeric effluent limitations:

Table 25. Numeric Effluent Limitations for Sector O Facilities discharging Coal Pile Runoff

Industrial Activity	Parameter [1]	Limitations Daily Max
Discharges from Coal Storage Piles at Steam Electric Generating Facilities	TSS	50 mg/L
	pH	6.0-9.0 S.U.

[1] Monitor annually.

(b) Waivers from Numeric Effluent Limitations. Numeric effluent limitations for runoff from coal pile storage areas do not apply to discharges that overflow from structural control facilities that are designed to contain and treat runoff from a 10-year, 24-hour storm event. The permittee shall maintain, as a part of the SWP3, the following information in order to receive this waiver: engineering design records that demonstrate structural controls are adequate to intercept, contain, and treat the volume of runoff from a 10-year, 24-hour storm event; and records of rainfall from an on-site rain gauge, a representative weather station, or subject to TCEQ's approval, an

alternative means of compliance. Rainfall records are only required to document events that equal or exceed a 10-year, 24-hour event.

6. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 26. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector O

Activity Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
SE	Steam Electric Power Generating Facilities	Iron, total TSS	1.3 mg/L 50 mg/L

Section P. Sector P of Industrial Activity - Land Transportation and Warehousing

Land Transportation and Warehousing includes the following types of facilities: motor freight transportation facilities; passenger transportation facilities; petroleum bulk oil stations and terminals; rail transportation facilities; and United States Postal Service (USPS) transportation facilities.

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector P. Sector P industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR P: LAND TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
4011, 4013	Railroad Transportation
4111 – 4173	Local and Highway Passenger Transportation
4212 – 4215	Trucking and Courier Services, Except Air
4221, 4222	Farm Product Warehousing and Storage; and Refrigerated Warehousing and Storage
4225	General Warehousing and Storage
4226	Special Warehousing and Storage, Not Elsewhere Classified
4231	Terminal and Joint Terminal Maintenance Facilities for Motor Freight Transportation
4311	United States Postal Service
5171	Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

(a) For facilities described by SIC codes listed above, except for SIC codes 4221, 4222, and 4225, permit coverage is only required for stormwater discharges from areas where the following activities are performed: vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication) or equipment cleaning. Coverage for stormwater runoff from additional areas may be obtained as described in Part V, Section P.2.(d) below.

(b) For SIC codes 4221, 4222, and 4225, permit coverage is required for stormwater discharges from all areas of the facility. Facilities described by these SIC codes must obtain coverage by submitting an NOI, or a no exposure exclusion by submitting an NEC form, except as described in Part V, Section P.2.c. below for facilities described by SIC code 4225 only (General Warehousing and Storage) that do not have areas where vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication) or equipment cleaning activities are performed.

(c) Facilities described by SIC code 4225 that do not have areas where vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication) or equipment cleaning activities are performed are designated for coverage under this general permit and are not required to submit an NOI for coverage. These facilities must comply only with the following permit requirements and are not subject to additional requirements that are listed in this permit:

(1) The facility must maintain conditions that ensure there is no exposure of industrial activities to stormwater;

(2) The facility operator must comply with the requirements of Part III, Section E. of this general permit, related to Standard Permit Conditions, except that the operator is not required to submit an NOI or NEC form, prepare a SWP3, or conduct analytical monitoring; and

(3) The site must not contain any areas that are used for vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication) or equipment cleaning activities.

The facility operator must apply for coverage if any of the requirements listed above are not met. If the TCEQ determines that additional controls are required other than those listed above, or that there is a concern regarding the discharge of elevated levels of pollutants, then the TCEQ may require a facility described by SIC code 4225 to obtain coverage and meet all permit conditions through submittal of an NOI or an individual permit application.

(d) Runoff from materials storage or handling areas:

(1) The permittee may obtain authorization to discharge stormwater under this general permit from additional areas of Sector P facilities where materials, intermediates, or products are stored or handled, and where the discharge from these areas would otherwise require authorization under a TPDES individual permit or alternative general permit. This permit does not authorize the discharge of any process wastewater from material storage or handling areas, including contaminated stormwater.

(2) In order to obtain coverage for any materials storage or handling areas, the permittee shall ensure that the SWP3 addresses these areas and that the SWP3

contains the following additional elements, in addition to those required in Part III of this general permit:

a. list of the pollutants that may be present in the material and exposed to precipitation or runoff;

b. an indication on the site map of all material storage and handling areas that are being included under the MSGP authorization; and

c. description and implementation of BMPs that specifically address the material that is exposed to rainfall or runoff.

(3) This section does not expand the definition of stormwater associated with industrial activity. If runoff from the materials storage and handling areas are not subject to TPDES wastewater permitting, then the SWP3 is not required to address these areas.

3. Limitations on Coverage

(a) Prohibited Discharges. Except as allowed in Part II, Section A.6, related to non-stormwater discharges, this general permit does not authorize the discharge of wastewater resulting from washing vehicles, equipment, or other surfaces, including tank cleaning operations. These discharges must be authorized under a separate TPDES permit, discharged to a sanitary sewer in accordance with applicable industrial pretreatment requirements, recycled on-site, or disposed by an alternate authorized means. The permittee shall keep records of the disposal authorization for this wash water (e.g., individual TPDES permit, discharge to publicly-owned treatment works, or contract with hauling company).

(b) Storage of Crude Oil. Discharges of stormwater from Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals (SIC 5171) with aboveground storage of crude oil only, are under the regulatory authority of the Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC), and are not eligible for coverage under this general permit.

Stormwater discharges from SIC 5171 facilities with aboveground storage of both crude oil and refined products that are intended for offsite use are under the jurisdiction of the TCEQ. These facilities must obtain authorization to discharge stormwater under this general permit.

This general permit does not authorize discharges of stormwater from Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals where crude oil is stored prior to refining and where refined products are stored solely for use at the facility. These types of facilities are under the regulatory authority of the RRC. Authorization for these discharges must be obtained through application for a NPDES permit with the EPA and authorization from the RRC, if applicable.

If circumstances arise where a portion of a site is regulated by the TCEQ, and a portion of a site is regulated by the EPA and RRC, authorization for stormwater discharges must be obtained from the TCEQ for the TCEQ-regulated portions, and from the EPA and RRC for the RRC-regulated portions of the site, including developing separate SWP3s.

4. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Good Housekeeping Measures. In addition to the good housekeeping SWP3 requirements in Part III, Section A.4 of this general permit, the permittee must

implement the following control measures, and must document in the SWP3 the measures being used for each measure:

(1) Vehicle and Equipment Storage Areas. Minimize the potential for stormwater exposure to leaky or leak-prone vehicles or equipment that are awaiting maintenance.

(2) Fueling Areas. Minimize contamination of stormwater from fueling areas.

(3) Material Storage Areas. Maintain all material containers (e.g., for used oil/oil filters, spent solvents, paint wastes, hydraulic fluids) to prevent contamination of stormwater and plainly label them (e.g., "Used Oil," "Spent Solvents").

(4) Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance and Cleaning Areas. Minimize contamination of stormwater runoff from all areas used for vehicle and equipment maintenance or cleaning.

(5) Locomotive Sanding (Loading Sand for Traction) Areas.

(b) Employee Training. The permittee shall include the following information, as applicable, in its employee training: used oil and spent solvent management; fueling procedures; general good housekeeping practices; proper painting procedures; and used battery management.

(c) Drainage Area Site Map. The site map must identify the following areas of the facility and indicate whether activities occurring there may be exposed to stormwater: fueling stations; vehicle/equipment maintenance or cleaning areas; storage areas for vehicle/equipment with actual or potential fluid leaks; loading/unloading areas; areas where treatment, storage or disposal of wastes occur; liquid storage tanks; processing areas; and storage areas.

(d) Potential Pollutant Sources. The SWP3 must assess the potential for the following activities and facility areas to contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges: onsite waste storage or disposal; dirt/gravel parking areas for vehicles awaiting maintenance; illicit plumbing connections between shop floor drains and the stormwater conveyance system(s); and fueling areas.

(e) Spill Prevention and Response Measures. Vehicles and equipment that are scheduled for maintenance and that have potential fluid leaks must be confined to a designated area. The Spill Prevention and Response Measures section of the SWP3 [see Part III, Section A.4.(e)] shall define specific measures to prevent spills and to confine spills within this area. This section of the SWP3 shall also define specific measures to prevent or minimize contamination of stormwater from fueling areas.

(f) Additional Inspection Requirements. Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B. of this general permit and conducted at least once per quarter in the following areas:

(1) storage areas for vehicles and equipment awaiting maintenance;

(2) fueling areas;

(3) vehicle and equipment maintenance areas;

(4) material storage areas;

(5) vehicle/equipment cleaning areas; and

(6) loading/unloading areas.

Section Q. Sector Q of Industrial Activity - Water Transportation Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector Q. Sector Q industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR Q: WATER TRANSPORTATION

SIC Codes *SIC Code Description*

4412 – 4499 Water Transportation

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

(a) Permit coverage is only required for stormwater discharges from areas where the following activities are performed at facilities described by the SIC codes listed above: vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication) or equipment cleaning, except for retail fueling as described in paragraph 3.(b) below. Coverage for stormwater runoff from additional areas of Sector Q facilities may be obtained as described in Part V, Section Q.2.(b) below.

(b) Runoff from materials storage or handling areas.

(1) The permittee may obtain authorization to discharge stormwater under this general permit from additional areas of Sector Q facilities where materials, intermediates, or products are stored or handled, and where the discharge from these areas would otherwise require authorization under a TPDES individual permit or alternative general permit. This permit does not authorize the discharge of any process wastewater from material storage or handling areas, including contaminated stormwater.

(2) In order to obtain coverage for any materials storage or handling areas, the permittee shall ensure that the SWP3 addresses these areas and that the SWP3 contains the following additional elements, in addition to those required in Part III of this general permit:

a. a list of the pollutants that may be present in the material and exposed to precipitation or runoff;

b. an indication on the site map of all material storage and handling areas that are being included under the MSGP authorization; and

c. description and implementation of BMPs that specifically address the material that is exposed to rainfall or runoff.

(3) This section does not expand the definition of stormwater associated with industrial activity. If runoff from the materials storage and handling areas are not subject to TPDES wastewater permitting, then the SWP3 is not required to address these areas.

3. Limitations on Coverage

(a) This permit does not authorize the discharge of process wastewater discharges associated with a dry dock activity, bilge and ballast water, sanitary wastewater, pressure wash water, and cooling water originating from vessels.

(b) The retail sale of fuel performed at a marina without slip rental, boat storage, and other services such as cleaning and incidental repair is classified as SIC code 5541 (which includes "marine service stations – retail"). If retail fueling is the primary activity performed at the site, then permit coverage is not required. However, if a marina (SIC 4493) has a secondary SIC code of 5541, then coverage would be required for any areas of the marina where vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication) or equipment cleaning operations occur, other than the retail fueling operation described by SIC code 5541.

4. Allowable Non-Stormwater Discharges

Boat Rinse Water. In addition to the non-stormwater discharges allowed under Part II of this general permit, boat rinse water may be discharged from water transportation facilities such as marinas, where the boat rinse water does not contain chemicals, surfactants, or elevated temperatures. Discharge from pressure washing of boats is not authorized under this general permit.

5. Additional SWP3 Requirements.

The following additional requirements must be included in the SWP3, for any areas covered under this section of the general permit.

(a) Site Map. The site map must clearly show the locations of the following activities if the activities are exposed to precipitation or runoff: fueling; engine maintenance and repair; vessel maintenance and repair; pressure washing; painting; sanding; blasting; welding; metal fabrication; loading and unloading areas; locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of wastes; liquid storage tanks; liquid storage areas (e.g., paint, solvents, resins); and material storage areas (e.g., blasting media, aluminum, steel, and scrap iron).

(b) Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources. The SWP3 must list the following additional sources and activities: outdoor manufacturing or processing activities (e.g., welding, metal fabricating) and significant dust or particulate generating processes (e.g., abrasive blasting, sanding, and painting).

(c) Good Housekeeping Measures. The permittee must implement the following in addition to the good housekeeping measures described in Part III, Section A.4. of this general permit:

(1) Blasting and Painting Area. Minimize the potential for spent abrasives, paint chips, and overspray to discharge into receiving waters or the storm sewer systems. When necessary, regularly clean stormwater conveyances of deposits of abrasive blasting debris and paint chips.

(2) Material Storage and Handling Areas. Minimize stormwater contamination from material storage and handling operations and areas. Store and plainly label all containerized materials (e.g., fuels, paints, solvents, waste oil, antifreeze, batteries) in a protected, secure location away from drains. If abrasive blasting is performed, discuss the storage and disposal of spent abrasive materials generated at the facility.

(3) Engine Maintenance and Repair Areas. Minimize the potential for contamination of stormwater from all areas used for engine maintenance and repair.

(4) Drydock Activities. Routinely maintain and clean the drydock to minimize pollutants in stormwater runoff. Address the cleaning of accessible areas of the

drydock prior to flooding, and final cleanup following removal of the vessel and raising the dock. Include procedures for cleaning up oil, grease, and fuel spills occurring on the drydock.

(d) Employee Training. The permittee shall include the following information, as applicable, in the employee training program: management of used oil and spent solvent, disposal of spent abrasives, disposal of vessel wastewaters, spill prevention and control, fueling procedures, general good housekeeping practices, painting and blasting procedures, and used battery management.

(e) Preventive Maintenance. As part of the preventive maintenance program, the permittee shall perform timely inspection and maintenance of stormwater management devices (e.g., cleaning oil and water separators and sediment traps to ensure that spent abrasives, paint chips, and solids will be intercepted and retained prior to entering the storm drainage system), and shall inspect and test facility equipment and systems to uncover conditions that could cause breakdowns or failures resulting in the discharge of pollutants in stormwater.

(f) Additional Inspection Requirements. Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B of this general permit and conducted at least once per month in the following areas:

(1) pressure wash areas;

(2) abrasive blasting, sanding and painting areas;

(3) material storage or handling areas;

(4) engine maintenance or repair areas;

(5) drydock areas; and

(6) the general yard area.

6. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values.

Benchmark sampling is only required for areas of Sector Q facilities where vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication) or equipment cleaning activities are performed.

Table 27. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector Q

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
4412 - 4499	Water Transportation	Aluminum, total Iron, total Lead, total Zinc, total TSS	1.2 mg/L 1.3 mg/L 0.010 mg/L 0.16 mg/L 50 mg/L

Section R. Sector R of Industrial Activity - Ship and Boat Building or Repair Yards

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements of this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector R. Sector R industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR R: SHIP AND BOAT BUILDING OR REPAIRING YARDS

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
3731, 3732	Ship and Boat Building or Repairing Yards

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Limitations on Coverage

This permit does not authorize the discharge of process wastewater associated with a dry dock activity, bilge and ballast water, sanitary wastes, pressure wash water, or cooling water originating from vessels.

3. Allowable Non-Stormwater Discharge

No additional non-stormwater discharges are authorized other than those listed in Part II, Section A.6. of this general permit.

4. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Site Map. The site map must clearly show the locations of the following activities if the activities are exposed to precipitation or runoff: fueling; engine maintenance and repair; vessel maintenance and repair; pressure washing; painting; sanding; blasting; welding; metal fabrication; loading and unloading areas; locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of wastes; liquid storage tanks; liquid storage areas (e.g., paint, solvents, resins); and material storage areas (e.g., blasting media, aluminum, steel, and scrap iron).

(b) Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources. The SWP3 must list the following additional sources and activities: outdoor manufacturing or processing activities (e.g., welding, metal fabricating) and significant dust or particulate generating processes (e.g., abrasive blasting, sanding, and painting).

(c) Good Housekeeping Measures. The permittee must implement the following in addition to the good housekeeping measures described in Part III, Section A.4 of this general permit:

(1) Pressure Washing Area. If pressure washing is used to remove marine growth from vessels, the discharged water must be permitted as a process wastewater by a separate TPDES permit.

(2) Blasting and Painting Area. Minimize the potential for spent abrasives, paint chips, and overspray to discharge into the receiving water or the storm sewer system. When necessary, regularly clean stormwater conveyances of deposits of abrasive blasting debris and paint chips.

(3) Material Storage and Handling Areas. Minimize stormwater contamination from material storage and handling operations and areas. Store and plainly label all

containerized materials (e.g., fuels, paints, solvents, waste oil, antifreeze, batteries) in a protected, secure location away from drains. If abrasive blasting is performed, discuss the storage and disposal of spent abrasive materials generated at the facility.

(4) Engine Maintenance and Repair Areas. Minimize the potential for contamination of stormwater from all areas used for engine maintenance and repair.

(5) Drydock Activities. Routinely maintain and clean the drydock to minimize pollutants in stormwater runoff. Address the cleaning of accessible areas of the drydock prior to flooding, and final cleanup following removal of the vessel and raising the dock. Include procedures for cleaning up oil, grease, and fuel spills occurring on the drydock.

(d) Employee Training. The permittee shall include the following information, as applicable, in the employee training program: management of used oil and spent solvent, disposal of spent abrasives, disposal of vessel wastewaters, spill prevention and control, fueling procedures, general good housekeeping practices, painting and blasting procedures, and used battery management.

(e) Preventive Maintenance. As part of the preventive maintenance program, the permittee shall perform timely inspection and maintenance of stormwater management devices (e.g., cleaning oil and water separators and sediment traps to ensure that spent abrasives, paint chips, and solids will be intercepted and retained prior to entering the storm drainage system), and shall inspect and test facility equipment and systems to uncover conditions that could cause breakdowns or failures resulting in the discharge of pollutants in stormwater.

(f) Additional Inspection Requirements. Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B of this general permit and conducted at least once per month in the following areas:

(1) pressure wash areas;

(2) abrasive blasting, sanding and painting areas;

(3) material storage or handling areas;

(4) engine maintenance or repair areas;

(5) drydock areas; and

(6) the general yard area.

Section S. Sector S of Industrial Activity - Air Transportation Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements of this general permit apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector S. Sector S industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR S: AIR TRANSPORTATION

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
4512	Air Transportation, Scheduled
4513	Air Courier Services
4522	Air Transportation, Nonscheduled
4581	Airports, Flying Fields, and Airport Terminal Services, including aircraft maintenance and fueling

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

(a) Permit coverage is only required for stormwater discharges from areas where the following activities are performed at facilities described by the SIC codes listed above: vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication), equipment cleaning operations, or deicing operations. Coverage for stormwater runoff from additional areas of Sector S facilities may be obtained as described in Part V, Section S.2.(b) below.

(b) Runoff from materials storage or handling areas.

(1) The permittee may obtain authorization to discharge stormwater under this general permit from additional areas of Sector S facilities where materials, intermediates, or products are stored or handled, and where the discharge from these areas would otherwise require authorization under a TPDES individual permit or alternative general permit. This permit does not authorize the discharge of any process wastewater from material storage or handling areas, including contaminated stormwater.

(2) In order to obtain coverage for any materials storage or handling areas, the permittee shall ensure that the SWP3 addresses these areas and that the SWP3 contains the following additional elements, in addition to those required in Part III of this general permit:

a. a list of the pollutants that may be present in the material and exposed to precipitation or runoff;

b. an indication on the site map of all material storage and handling areas that are being included under the MSGP authorization; and

c. description and implementation of BMPs that specifically address the material that is exposed to rainfall or runoff.

(3) This section does not expand the definition of stormwater associated with industrial activity. If runoff from the materials storage and handling areas are not

subject to TPDES wastewater permitting, then the SWP3 is not required to address these areas.

3. Definitions

The following definitions apply only to Sector S of this general permit:

Aircraft Deicing Fluid. (ADF) A fluid (other than hot water) applied to aircraft to remove or prevent any accumulation of snow or ice on the aircraft. This includes deicing and anti-icing fluids.

Centralized Deicing Pad. A facility on an airfield designed for aircraft deicing operations, typically constructed with a drainage system separate from the airport main storm drain system.

Deicing. Procedures and practices to remove or prevent any accumulation of snow or ice on an aircraft or airfield pavement.

Heating Degree Day. The number of degrees per day the daily average temperature is below 65 degrees Fahrenheit. The daily average temperature is the mean of the maximum and minimum temperature for a 24-hour period. The annual heating degree day value is derived by summing the daily heating degree days over a calendar year period.

Primary Airport. An airport defined at 49 U.S.C. 47102 (15).

4. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) This permit only authorizes stormwater discharges from those portions of a Sector S facility that are involved in vehicle maintenance (including vehicle rehabilitation, mechanical repairs, painting, fueling, and lubrication), equipment cleaning operations, or deicing operations.

(b) Prohibition of Non-Stormwater Discharges. This general permit does not authorize the discharge of wastewater associated with washing aircraft, ground vehicles, runways, or equipment; or the dry weather discharge of deicing chemicals. If these discharges occur, they must be authorized under an alternative TPDES or permit or disposed by another authorized means, and the disposal mechanism described in the SWP3.

(c) A discharge resulting from snowmelt is not a dry weather discharge.

5. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Site Map. The site map must include the following information:

(1) aircraft and runway deicing operations;

(2) fueling stations;

(3) aircraft, ground vehicle and equipment maintenance/cleaning areas;

(4) storage areas for aircraft, ground vehicles and equipment awaiting maintenance; and

(5) the location of each tenant at the site that conducts industrial activity subject to coverage under this section of this general permit.

(b) Potential Pollutant Sources.

(1) The SWP3 must list the following additional sources and activities: maintenance and cleaning of aircraft, runways, ground vehicles, and equipment; and deicing of

aircraft and runways (including apron and centralized aircraft deicing stations, runways, taxiways and ramps).

(2) The SWP3 must include a record of the types and monthly quantities of deicing chemicals that the permittee uses (including the Material Safety Data Sheets MSDS) used and the monthly quantities. This requirement applies for all deicing chemicals, in addition to glycols and urea (e.g., potassium acetate). If the airport authority, tenants, and other Fixed-Based Operators (FBOs) share an SWP3, then the tenants and FBOs that conduct deicing operations must provide the above information to the airport authority.

(c) Good Housekeeping Measures. This section of the SWP3 must describe specific measures where determined to be practicable and that accommodate considerations of safety, space, operational constraints, and flight considerations (list not exclusive), to prevent or minimize contamination of stormwater from areas used for the maintenance, fueling, or cleaning of equipment, aircraft, and other vehicles, and for areas where aircraft deicing and anti-icing activities occur. The following requirements must be addressed in the SWP3 and are in addition to the requirements of Part III, Sections A.4. and A.5. of this general permit:

(1) Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Areas. Minimize the potential for stormwater contamination from areas used for the maintenance of aircraft, ground vehicles, and equipment (including the maintenance conducted on the terminal apron and in dedicated hangers).

(2) Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Cleaning Areas. Clearly demarcate aircraft, ground vehicle and equipment cleaning areas on the ground using signage or other appropriate means. Minimize the potential for contamination of stormwater runoff from these areas.

(3) Aircraft, Ground Vehicle and Equipment Storage Areas. Store all aircraft, ground vehicles and equipment awaiting maintenance in designated areas only. Minimize the potential for contamination of stormwater runoff from these storage areas.

(4) Material Storage Areas. Minimize the potential for stormwater contamination from materials storage areas. Maintain in good condition and plainly label any containers of stored materials (e.g., used oils, hydraulic fluids, spent solvents, and waste aircraft fuel).

(5) Source Reduction. Minimize, and where feasible eliminate, the use of urea and glycol-based deicing chemicals, in order to reduce the aggregate amount of deicing chemicals used or lessen the environmental impact.

(6) Runway Deicing Operation. Minimize the potential for stormwater contamination from runways as a result of deicing operations by evaluating and adjusting as necessary the application rates of deicing materials, consistent with considerations of flight safety.

(7) Aircraft Deicing Operations. The permittee shall evaluate the application rates for deicing chemicals, and adjust as necessary, consistent with considerations of flight safety, to help minimize contamination of stormwater runoff from aircraft deicing operations.

(8) Deicing Season. Identify the de-icing season by determining the seasonal timeframe (e.g., December- February, October - March) during which deicing activities typically occur at the facility. Implementation of control measures, including any BMPs, facility inspections and monitoring must be conducted with

particular emphasis throughout the defined deicing season. If the deicing chemical usage thresholds of 100,000 gallons glycol or 100 tons of urea are met, the identified deicing season is the timeframe during which the required benchmark monitoring must be conducted. (See the benchmark monitoring requirements for this sector, below.)

(d) Structural Controls. Operators that conduct deicing or anti-icing activities shall select controls, where determined to be practicable and that accommodate considerations of safety, space, operational constraints, and flight considerations (list not exclusive), to capture and contain chemicals used in this activity. Containing activities to specific areas where runoff may be captured and either treated, hauled away for disposal or disposed of to the sanitary sewer must be considered, where determined to be practicable and that accommodate considerations of safety, space, operational constraints, and flight considerations (list not exclusive), A narrative description of these considerations, including a rationale for why certain alternatives were either chosen or rejected, must be incorporated as an element of the SWP3.

(e) Shared SWP3s. Airport authorities and airport tenants are encouraged to work in partnership to develop and implement a SWP3. Tenants of the airport facility include air passenger or cargo companies, fixed based operators, and other parties who have contracts with the airport authority to conduct business operations on airport property and whose operations result in stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity. Even with a shared SWP3, each entity at an airport that meets the applicability requirements of this permit is required to obtain permit coverage.

(f) Best Management Practices. Facilities that conduct deicing or anti-icing operations must evaluate operating procedures on an annual basis to consider alternative practices, where determined to be practicable and that accommodate considerations of safety, space, operational constraints, and flight considerations (list not exclusive), that may reduce the overall amount of chemical used, or otherwise lessen the environmental impact of the pollutant. This annual review must include a consideration of alternative chemicals for this use. The SWP3 must include a narrative discussion of the annual alternative practices review that includes the rationale for changes in practices or the decision to retain existing practices. BMPs must be developed and implemented to ensure against over application of chemicals used as a part of deicing and anti-icing operations.

(g) Additional Inspection Requirements.

(1) Routine Facility Inspections. Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B.2. of this general permit and conducted at least once per week during deicing or anti-icing activities in the areas where these operations take place, if accessible. Records of weekly inspections, when they occur, must be maintained.

(2) Comprehensive Site Inspections. Conduct the annual site inspection using only qualified personnel, during periods of actual deicing operations, if possible. If not practicable during active deicing because of weather, conduct the inspection during the season when deicing operations occur and the materials and equipment for deicing are in place.

6. Numeric Effluent Limitations

The following numeric effluent limitations, based upon guidelines from Airport Deicing Point Source Category, 40 CFR Part 449, apply to any stormwater runoff from airport and

airfield deicing activities at primary airports. The limitiations must be met at the location where the effluent leaves the onsite treatment system utilized for meeting these requirements and before commingling with any non-deicing discharges.

(a) For new and existing primary airports with 1,000 or more jet departures per year, the following requirements apply:

(1) Airfield Pavement Deicing. The discharge from airfield pavement deicers containing urea is not allowed. This requirement must be met by either:

a. Certifying annually that the airfield deicing products do not contain urea; or

b. Each discharge point must be monitored and meet the following numeric effluent limitations:

Table 28. Numeric Effluent Limitations for New and Existing Sector S Facilities with Airfield Deicing

Industrial Activity	Parameter	Daily Maximum[1]
Airfield Pavement Deicing	Ammonia- Nitrogen	14.7 mg/L

[1]Sample Frequency: Once per day during deicing activities
[1]Sample Type: Grab

(2) Aircraft Deicing.

a. Existing Airports: There are no requirements for existing airports regardless of number of jet (non-propeller aircraft) departures per year.

b. New Airports with less than 1,000 jet (non-propeller aircraft) departures per year: There are no requirements.

c. New primary airports with 1,000 and more jet (non-propeller aircraft) departures per year, 10,000 or more departures annually, and 3,000 or more heating degree days (annual), have the following requirements:

(i) At least 60% of available aircraft deicing fluid (ADF) must be collected; and

(ii) The discharge must meet the numeric effluent limitations below. The effluent limitation must be met at the location where the effluent leaves the onsite treatment system utilized for meeting these requirements and before commingling with any non-deicing discharges.

Table 29. Numeric Effluent Limitations for new Sector S Facilities with Aircraft Deicing

Industrial Activity	Parameter	Daily Maximum[1]	Weekly Average
Aircraft Deicing	COD	271 mg/L	154 mg/L

[1]Sample Frequency: Once per day during deicing activities
[1]Sample Type: See 40 CFR Part 449, Appendix A Sampling Protocol for Soluble COD

(b) General Requirements for the Implementation of Numeric Effluent Limitations Established in Section S. (6)(a) above.

The permittee shall demonstrate compliance with the ADF collection, reporting, and record keeping requirements described in Part V. Section S.6.(a) above.

(1) The permittee shall maintain records to demonstrate, and certify annually, that it is operating and maintaining one or more centralized deicing pads. This technology shall be operated and maintained according to the technical specifications as follows:

a. Each centralized deicing pad shall be sized and sited in accordance with all applicable Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) advisory circulars.

b. Drainage valves associated with the centralized deicing pad shall be activated before deicing activities commence, to collect available ADF.

c. The centralized deicing pad and associated collection equipment shall be installed and maintained per any applicable manufacturers' instructions, and shall be inspected, at a minimum, at the beginning of each deicing season to ensure that the pad and associated equipment are in working condition.

d. All aircraft deicing shall take place on a centralized deicing pad, with the exception of defrosting and deicing for safe taxiing.

(2) Alternative technology or specifications. This general permit may allow one of the following alternative procedures for demonstrating compliance with its collection requirement, instead of the procedure mentioned above in Part V. Section S.6.(b)(1)(a-d) of the section above.

a. Using a different ADF collection technology from the centralized deicing pad technology specified in Part V. Section S.6.(b)(1)(a-d) of this section; or

b. Using the same ADF collection technology, but with different specifications for operation and/or maintenance.

(3) The permittee shall collect and maintain on site during the term of the permit, up to five years of records of the annual volume of ADF used.

(c) Monitoring and Sampling

Monitoring and sampling for COD and Ammonia shall be conducted at a location where the effluent leaves the on-site treatment system and prior to commingling with non-deicing wastestreams.

(d) Recordkeeping

The permittee shall maintain onsite records for five years of the following documentation:

a. Wastewater samples collected and analyzed;

b. Certifications;

c. Equipment maintenance schedules and agreement; and

d. If using volumes of ADF applied/collected, records of these amounts.

(e) Additional SWP3 Requirements.

The following SWP3 requirements must be conducted in addition to those listed in Part V. S.5. Permittees shall document and describe the following:

a. Number of jet departures and deicing operations at the airport.

b. Type of deicing chemicals used and keep deicing activity log.

c. Method of ADF collection.

d. Compliance with 60% ADF collection requirements, as applicable.

e. Monitoring and frequencies of sampling.

7. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

(a) Benchmark monitoring is only required for permittees conducting deicing activities that have used more than 100 tons of urea, or more than 100,000 gallons of glycol-based chemicals on an average annual basis. These volumes of deicing materials refer to the combined activities and usage at the airport as a whole, and not independently to each carrier or operator.

(1) Benchmark monitoring is required of all permittees who used urea or glycol-based deicing chemicals at an airport where the total amount used at the airport meets the criteria listed in this section. Benchmark sampling is not required of a permittee who does not use the listed chemicals, even if the airport did meet the volume criteria that trigger benchmark monitoring.

(2) Benchmark sampling is required at all outfalls that discharge runoff from areas where deicing with urea or glycol-based deicing chemicals is performed at an airport where the total amount used at the airport as a whole meets the criteria listed above.

(3) For those permittees required to conduct benchmark monitoring, the total number of benchmark samples required for the year must be collected during the deicing season when deicing activities are occurring.

(b) The following subsector must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 30. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector S

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
4512 - 4581	Airport Transportation Facilities with Deicing Activities*	COD Ammonia-Nitrogen pH	60 mg/L 1.7 mg/L 6.0-9.0 S.U.

*For airports where a single permittee, or a combination of permitted facilities use more than 100,000 gallons of pure glycol in glycol-based deicing fluids and / or 100 tons or more of urea on an average annual basis.

Section T. Sector T of Industrial Activity - Treatment Works

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements of this general permit apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector T. Sector T industrial activities are described by the following Industrial Activity Code:

SECTOR T: TREATMENT WORKS

Activity Codes and SIC Code Description

TW Certain Wastewater Treatment Plants

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

The requirements of this general permit apply to stormwater discharges from domestic wastewater treatment plants with a design flow of 1.0 million gallons per day or more that treat, store, recycle, or reclaim domestic sewage, wastewater or sewage sludge (including dedicated lands for sewage sludge disposal located within the onsite property boundaries); or that are required to have an approved pretreatment program (under 40 CFR Part 403).

3. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) Prohibition of Wastewater Discharges. The discharge of sanitary wastewater, industrial wastewater, equipment and vehicle wash water, or other wastewater is not authorized by this permit.

(b) Discharge to Wastewater Plant Headworks. Facilities that route all stormwater runoff to the wastewater treatment facility headworks in accordance with an individual TPDES permit are not required to obtain additional coverage through this general permit.

4. Additional SWP3 Requirements

The following SWP3 requirements must be conducted in addition to those listed in Part III of this general permit:

(a) Employee Training. At a minimum, training must address the following areas when applicable to a facility: petroleum product management; process chemical management; spill prevention and controls; fueling procedures; general good housekeeping practices; and proper procedures for using fertilizer, herbicides, and pesticides. These requirements are in addition to the training requirements listed in Part III, Section A.4.(f) of this permit.

(b) Site Map. The permittee shall document in the SWP3 where any of the following may be exposed to precipitation or surface runoff: grit, screenings, and other solids handling, storage, or disposal areas; sludge drying beds; dried sludge piles; compost piles; septage or hauled waste receiving station; and storage areas for process chemicals, petroleum products, solvents, fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides.

(c) Potential Pollutant Sources. The permittee shall document in the SWP3 the following additional sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them, if present at the site: grit, screenings, and other solids handling, storage, or disposal areas; sludge drying beds; dried sludge piles; compost piles; septage or hauled waste receiving station; and access roads and rail lines.

(d) Wastewater and Wash Water Requirements. The permittee shall either retain a copy, or reference the location where a copy is located, of all current TPDES permits issued for wastewater and industrial, vehicle and equipment wash water discharges for the facility in the SWP3. If a TPDES permit has not yet been issued, a copy of the pending application(s) must also be kept or referenced in the SWP3. If the wastewater or wash water is handled in another manner, then the SWP3 must describe the disposal method and all pertinent documentation must be retained onsite.

(e) Additional Inspection Requirements. In addition to the information that must be included in the inspections required in Part III of this permit, the following areas must be inspected as well: access roads and rail lines; grit, screenings, and other solids handling, storage, or disposal areas; sludge drying beds; dried sludge piles; compost piles; and septage or hauled waste receiving station.

5. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 31. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements in Subsections in Sector T

Activity Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
TW	Certain Wastewater Treatment Plants	BOD5	15 mg/L

Section U. Sector U of Industrial Activity - Food and Kindred Products Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector U. Sector U industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR U: FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS FACILITIES

SIC Codes *SIC Code Description*

2011 – 2015 Meat Products

2021 – 2026 Dairy Products

2032 - 2038 Canned, Frozen and Preserved Fruits, Vegetables and Food Specialties

2041 - 2048 Grain Mill Products

2051 - 2053 Bakery Products

2061 - 2068 Sugar and Confectionery Products

2074 - 2079 Fats and Oils

2082 - 2087 Beverages

2091 - 2099 Miscellaneous Food Preparations and Kindred Products

2111 - 2141 Tobacco Products

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Limitations on Coverage

Prohibition of Wastewater Discharges. The following discharges are not authorized by this permit: boiler blowdown, cooling tower overflow and blowdown, ammonia refrigeration purging, and vehicle washing and clean-out operations.

3. Additional SWP3 Requirements

Employee Training Program and Employee Education. The program must include training in pest control application procedures and chemical storage procedures.

Inventory of Exposed Materials. The inventory must include a list of the pesticides, rodenticides, herbicides, and fungicides applied or stored on the facility property.

Narrative Description. A narrative description of all activities and potential sources of pollutants that may reasonably be expected to add significant amounts of pollutants to stormwater discharges from pest control and chemical storage procedures must be included.

Site Map. The site map must clearly show the location of vent stacks for cooking, drying, and similar operations, dry product vacuum transfer lines; animal holding pens; spoiled product and broken product container storage areas; and any other processing or storage areas exposed to stormwater.

Best Management Practices. This section of the SWP3 must include BMPs for cleaning procedures for vent hoods, storage and baking racks, bins and refuse containers, and other similar cleaning activities, to ensure that cleaning these items does not contribute pollutants to stormwater runoff.

4. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 32. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements in Subsections in Sector U

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
2041-2048	Grain Mill Products	TSS	50 mg/L
2074-2079	Fats and Oils	COD Nitrate + Nitrite N TSS	60 mg/L 0.68 mg/L 50 mg/L

Section V. Sector V of Industrial Activity - Textile Mills, Apparel, and Other Fabric Product Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector V. Sector V industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR V: TEXTILE MILLS, APPAREL, AND OTHER FABRIC PRODUCT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES

SIC Codes	*Description of the Industrial Activity*
2211 – 2299	Textile Mill Products
2311 – 2399	Apparel and Other Finished Products Made From Fabrics and Similar Materials
3131 – 3199	Leather and Leather Products, except Leather Tanning and Finishing (See Sector Z)

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Limitations on Coverage

Prohibition of Wastewater Discharges. The following discharges are not allowed under this general permit: wastewater resulting from wet processing or from any processes relating to the production; reused or recycled water; and waters used in cooling towers. These types of discharges must be authorized under a separate TPDES permit or other authorized means.

3. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) The permittee shall minimize the discharge of pollutants from the following areas:

(1) Material handling areas. The permittee shall plainly label and store all containerized materials (e.g., fuels, petroleum products, solvents, and dyes) in a protected area and away from drains, and shall minimize the potential for stormwater to contact such storage areas. When storing empty chemical drums or containers, the permittee shall ensure that the drums and containers are clean and that there is no contact of residuals with precipitation or runoff, and shall properly collect and dispose of wash water from drum and container cleanings.

(2) Material storage areas

(3) Fueling areas.

(4) Above-Ground Storage Tank areas, including the associated piping and valves.

(b) Employee Training. Employee training must include the following activities, as applicable:

(1) use of reused and recycled waters;

(2) solvents management, proper disposal of dyes;

(3) spill prevention and control;

(4) fueling procedures; and

(5) management and proper disposal of any solvents, petroleum products, spent lubricants, dyes, and other chemicals used at the facility.

(c) Narrative Description. The SWP3 must include a narrative description of all activities and potential sources of pollutants that may reasonably be expected to add significant amounts of pollutants to stormwater discharges from industry specific activities in the SWP3 and including the following: backwinding; beaming; bleaching; backing; bonding carbonizing; carding; cut and sew operations; desizing; drawing; dyeing; flocking; fulling; knitting; mercerizing; opening; packing; plying; scouring; slashing; spinning; synthetic-felt processing; textile waste processing; tufting; turning; weaving; web forming; winging; yarn spinning; and yarn texturing.

(d) Spill Prevention and Response Measures. The SWP3 must include measures to inspect, evaluate, and replace connections, valves, transfer lines and pipes that carry chemicals, dyes, or waste. All chemicals must be stored in a protected area, away from drains, and clearly labeled.

(e) The SWP3 must include specific measures to prevent or minimize contamination of stormwater runoff from above ground storage tank areas.

(f) Routine Facility Inspections. Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B.2. of this general permit, but must be conducted at least once per month in material storage areas, material transfer lines and areas, spill prevention, good housekeeping practices, management of process waste products, and all structural and non-structural management practices.

Section W. Sector W of Industrial Activity - Wood and Metal Furniture and Fixture Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector W. There are no additional requirements under this section that apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector W. Sector W industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR W: FURNITURE AND FIXTURES

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
2434	Wood Kitchen Cabinets
2511 – 2599	Furniture and Fixtures

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

Section X. Sector X of Industrial Activity - Printing and Publishing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector X. Sector X industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR X: PRINTING AND PUBLISHING

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
2711 – 2796	Printing, Publishing, and Allied Industries

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Covered Stormwater Discharges

Facilities described by any of the SIC codes listed above, that conduct publishing or designing activities without printing, are designated for coverage under this general permit and are not required to submit an NOI for coverage nor an NEC for a no exposure exclusion. These facilities must comply with the following permit requirements and are not subject to additional requirements that are listed in this permit:

(a) The facility must maintain conditions that ensure there is no exposure of industrial activities to stormwater; and

(b) The facility operator must comply with the requirements of Part III, Section E. of this general permit, related to Standard Permit Conditions, except that the operator is not required to submit an NOI or NEC form, prepare a SWP3, or conduct analytical monitoring.

The facility operator must apply for coverage if either of the requirements listed above are not met. If the TCEQ determines that additional controls are required other than those listed above, or if there is a concern regarding the discharge of elevated levels of pollutants, then the TCEQ may require a facility described by SIC codes 2711 – 2796 and that does not have any printing activities to obtain coverage and meet all permit conditions through submittal of an NOI or an individual permit application.

3. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Spill Prevention and Response Measures.

(1) The spill prevention and response measures section of the SWP3 must include measures to inspect, evaluate, and replace connections, valves, transfer lines, and pipes that carry chemicals or wastes.

(2) All chemicals (e.g. fuels, solvents, dyes, inks) must be stored in a protected area, away from drains, and clearly labeled.

(3) The SWP3 must include specific measures to prevent or minimize contamination of stormwater runoff from above ground storage tank areas and fueling areas.

(b) Material Storage Areas. The permittee shall minimize the discharge of pollutants from storage areas for containerized materials (e.g., skids, pallets, solvents, bulk inks, hazardous waste, empty drums, portable and mobile containers of plant debris, wood crates, steel racks, and fuel oil). These materials must be plainly labeled and stored in a protected area, away from drains.

(c) The SWP3 must include a narrative description of all activities and potential sources of pollutants that may reasonably be expected to add significant amounts of pollutants to stormwater discharges from industry specific activities, including blanket wash and solvent mixing operations in the SWP3 as well as the containment area(s) or enclosures for materials that are stored outdoors.

(d) Material Handling Area. Minimize contamination of stormwater runoff from material handling operations and areas (e.g., blanket wash, mixing solvents, loading and unloading materials). Consider the following (or their equivalents): using spill and overflow protection, covering fueling areas, and covering or enclosing areas where the transfer of materials may occur. When applicable, address the replacement or repair of leaking connections, valves, transfer lines, and pipes that may carry chemicals or wastewater.

(e) Employee Training. The program must include training in the management and disposal of any solvents, other petroleum products, dyes, other chemicals used at the facility, and general good housekeeping practices. These requirements are in addition to the SWP3 requirements in Part III, Section A.4 of this permit.

Section Y. Sector Y of Industrial Activity - Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastic Products, and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector Y. Sector Y industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR Y: RUBBER, MISCELLANEOUS PLASTIC PRODUCTS, AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING FACILITIES

SIC Codes	*SIC Code Description*
3011	Tires and Inner Tubes
3021	Rubber and Plastics Footwear
3052, 3053	Gaskets, Packing, and Sealing Devices and Rubber and Plastics Hose and Belting
3061, 3069	Fabricated Rubber Products, Not Elsewhere Classified
3081 – 3089	Miscellaneous Plastics Products
3931	Musical Instruments
3942 – 3949	Dolls, Toys, Games and Sporting and Athletic Goods
3951 – 3955,	except 3952 (see Sector C) - Pens, Pencils, and Other Artists' Materials (except certain inks and paints as specified in Sector C)
3961, 3965	Costume Jewelry, Costume Novelties, Buttons, and Miscellaneous Notions, Except Precious Metal
3991 – 3999	Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Narrative Description. The SWP3 must include a narrative description that includes a review of the use of any zinc at the facility and possible pathways where zinc could contaminate stormwater runoff.

(b) Good Housekeeping Measures. This section of the SWP3 must include specific measures to minimize potential exposure of pollutants to stormwater. The permittee shall implement BMPs for the control of pollutants at rubber, miscellaneous plastic products, and miscellaneous manufacturing facilities, to prevent the discharge of pollutants in stormwater. Pollutant sources that need to be addressed include activities such as: outdoor material unloading/loading, outdoor material storage, waste management, particulate emission management, material storage, dumpsters, dust collectors or baghouses, grinding operations, zinc stearate coating operations, management, education and training, equipment and facilities, operations, good housekeeping, packaging, shipping, recycling, and waste disposal.

(1) Rubber Manufacturing: The operator of a rubber manufacturing facility shall minimize or prevent the discharge of zinc in stormwater runoff. All rubber manufacturing facilities must include specific BMPs and controls to minimize the contamination of stormwater from the handling and storage of zinc. Potential sources of zinc must be identified and the accompanying BMPs must be evaluated and incorporated into the SWP3 and implemented at the facility (as appropriate);

a. zinc bags must be stored indoors;

b. the permittee shall ensure headspace in containers to minimize “puffing” losses when the containers are opened;

c. where feasible, the permittee shall ensure that there is no exposure of waste disposal dumpsters to stormwater (e.g., store indoors or provide a cover and liner for the dumpster);

d. repair or replace improperly operating dust collectors and baghouses, as appropriate;

e. minimize dust generation from rubber grinding operations;

f. reduce the possible contamination of stormwater by drips and spills of zinc stearate slurry; and

g. identify specific measures for zinc spill cleanup so that the cleanup may be completed without washing the spill into the storm drain.

(2) Plastics Manufacturing: The operator of a plastic products manufacturing facility shall prevent the possibility of discharging plastic materials, including at a minimum virgin and recycled plastic resin pellets, powders, flakes, powdered additives, regrind, scrap, waste, and recycling material, in stormwater discharges from the facility by implementing control measures (or their equivalents). The control measures must include: minimizing spills, cleaning up of spills promptly and thoroughly, sweeping and/or vacuuming thoroughly, capturing pellets, implementing a containment system, designed to trap particles retained, at each on-site storm drain discharge location down gradient of areas containing plastic materials, employee education and training, and using precautions for proper disposal.

3. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 33. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector Y

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
3011	Tires and Inner Tubes	Zinc, total	0.16 mg/L
3021	Rubber and Plastics Footwear	Zinc, total	0.16 mg/L
3052, 3053	Gaskets, Packing, and Sealing Devices; and Rubber and Plastics Hose and Belting	Zinc, total	0.16 mg/L
3061	Molded, Extruded, and Lathe-Cut Mechanical Rubber Goods	Zinc, total	0.16 mg/L
3069	Fabricated Rubber Products, Not Elsewhere Classified	Zinc, total	0.16 mg/L

Section Z. Sector Z of Industrial Activity - Leather Tanning and Finishing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector Z. Sector Z industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR Z: LEATHER TANNING AND FINISHING

SIC Codes *SIC Code Description*

3111 Leather Tanning and Finishing

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Additional SWP3 Requirements

(a) Drainage Area Site Map. The drainage area site map must clearly show the location of the following activities, if these activities are exposed to stormwater: processing and storage areas of the beam house, tan yard and re-tan wet and dry finishing operations; haul roads; access roads; and rail spurs.

(b) Potential Pollutant Sources. Document the following sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them in the SWP3 (as appropriate): temporary or permanent storage of fresh and brine-cured hides; extraneous hide substances and hair; leather dust, scraps, trimmings, and shavings.

(c) Good Housekeeping Measures. The following requirements are in addition to the requirements in Part III, Section A.4. of this general permit, related to Pollution Prevention Measures and Controls. The permittee shall minimize the contact of

stormwater from the following areas or materials, in order to reduce the potential to discharge contaminated stormwater:

(1) Storage areas for raw, semi-processed, or finished tannery by-products, including pallets and bales of raw, semi-processed or finished tannery by-products.

(2) Buffing and shaving areas.

(3) Receiving, unloading, and storage areas, if these areas are exposed.

(4) Outdoor storage of contaminated equipment.

(5) Waste Management Areas.

(d) Labeling. The permittee shall also label storage containers of all materials (e.g., specific chemicals, hazardous materials, spent solvents, waste materials).

Section AA. Sector AA of Industrial Activity - Fabricated Metal Products Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector AA. Sector AA industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR AA: FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS FACILITIES

SIC Code	*SIC Code Description*
3411 – 3499	Fabricated Metal Products, Except Machinery and Transportation Equipment
3911 – 3915	Jewelry, Silverware, and Plated Ware

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Pollution Prevention Measures and Controls

The following requirements are in addition to the requirements listed in Part III of this general permit.

(a) Good Housekeeping Measures. In addition to the Pollution Prevention Measures and Controls SWP3 requirements in Part III, Section A.4. of this general permit, the permittee must implement the following control measures, and must document in the SWP3 the measures being used for each measure. This section of the SWP3 must also define practices to prevent or minimize exposure of stormwater to metal fines and iron dust, solvents and paints, and also from sand where sandblasting operations are conducted.

(1) Raw Steel Handling Storage. Minimize the generation of or recover and properly manage scrap metals, fines, and iron dust. Include measures for containing materials within storage handling areas.

(2) Paints and Painting Equipment. Minimize exposure of paint and painting equipment to stormwater.

(b) Spill Prevention and Response Procedures. Ensure that the necessary equipment to implement a cleanup is available to personnel by addressing the following areas:

(1) Metal Fabricating Areas. Maintain clean, dry, orderly conditions in these areas.

(2) Storage Areas for Raw Metal. Keep these areas free of conditions that could cause, or impede appropriate and timely response to, spills or leakage of materials.

(3) Metal Working Fluid Storage Areas. Minimize the potential for stormwater contamination from storage areas for metal working fluids.

(4) Cleaners and Rinse Water. Control and clean up spills of solvents and other liquid cleaners, control sand buildup and disbursement from sand-blasting operations, and prevent exposure of recyclable wastes. Substitute environmentally benign cleaners when possible.

(5) Lubricating Oil and Hydraulic Fluid Operations. Minimize the potential for stormwater contamination from lubricating oil and hydraulic fluid operations. Consider using monitoring equipment or other devices to detect and control leaks and overflows. Consider installing perimeter controls such as dikes, curbs, grass filter strips, or equivalent measures.

(6) Chemical Storage Areas. Minimize stormwater contamination and accidental spillage in chemical storage areas. Include a program to inspect containers and identify proper disposal methods.

(c) Additional SWP3 Requirements

(1) Site Map. Document in the SWP3 where any of the following may be exposed to stormwater: raw metal storage areas; finished metal storage areas; scrap disposal collection sites; equipment storage areas; retention and detention basins; temporary and permanent diversion dikes or berms; right-of-way or perimeter diversion devices; sediment traps and barriers; processing areas, including outside painting areas; wood preparation; recycling; and raw material storage.

(2) Potential Pollutant Sources. Document in the SWP3 the following additional sources and activities that have potential pollutants associated with them: loading and unloading operations for paints, chemicals, and raw materials; outdoor storage activities for raw materials, paints, empty containers, corn cobs, chemicals, and scrap metals; outdoor manufacturing or processing activities such as grinding, cutting, degreasing, buffing, and brazing; onsite waste disposal practices for spent solvents, sludge, pickling baths, shavings, ingot pieces, and refuse and waste piles.

(d) Additional Inspection Requirements

(1) Inspection procedures must be developed according to the standard periodic inspection requirements described in Part III, Section B. of this general permit and conducted at least once per quarter in the following areas:

a. raw metal storage areas;

b. finished product storage areas;

c. material and chemical storage areas;

d. recycling areas;

e. loading and unloading areas;

f. equipment storage areas;

g. paint areas; and

h. vehicle fueling and maintenance areas.

(2) Comprehensive Site Inspections. As part of the annual comprehensive site compliance evaluation in Part III, Section B.5., the permittee must inspect areas associated with the storage of raw metals, spent solvents and chemicals storage areas, outdoor paint areas, and drainage from roof. Potential pollutants include chromium, zinc, lubricating oil, solvents, aluminum, oil and grease, methyl ethyl ketone, steel, and related materials.

3. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

The following subsections must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requirements in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 34. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Subsections in Sector AA

SIC Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
3411-3499 3911-3915	Fabricated Metal Products Except Coating	Aluminum, total Iron, total Zinc, total Nitrate + Nitrite N TSS	1.2 mg/L 1.3 mg/L 0.16 mg/L 0.68 mg/L 50 mg/L
3479	Fabricated Metal Coating and Engraving	Zinc, total Nitrate + Nitrite N	0.16 mg/L 0.68 mg/L

Section AB. Sector AB of Industrial Activity - Transportation Equipment and Industrial or Commercial Machinery Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector AB. Sector AB industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR AB: TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT, INDUSTRIAL OR COMMERCIAL MACHINERY MANUFACTURING FACILITIES

SIC Codes *Description of the Industrial Activity*

3511 – 3599, except 3571 – 3579 (see Sector AC) - Industrial and Commercial Machinery, except Computer and Office Equipment (see Sector AC)

3711 – 3799, except 3731, 3732 (see Sector R) - Transportation Equipment, except Ship and Boat Building and Repairing (see Sector R)

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

2. Additional SWP3 Requirements

Drainage Area Site Map. The site map must clearly show the location of vents and stacks from metal processing and similar areas.

Section AC. Sector AC of Industrial Activity – Electronic and Electrical Equipment/ Components, and Photographic/ Optical Goods Manufacturing Facilities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

There are no additional requirements under this section that apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector AC. Sector AC industrial activities are described by the following SIC codes:

SECTOR AC: ELECTRONIC, ELECTRICAL, PHOTOGRAPHIC, AND OPTICAL GOODS

SIC Codes	*Description of the Industrial Activity*
3571 – 3579	Computer and Office Equipment
3612 – 3699	Electronic, Electrical Equipment and Components, except Computer Equipment
3812 – 3873	Measuring, Analyzing and Controlling Instrument; Photographic and Optical Goods

(See Part II, Section A.1.b for a detailed list of SIC codes)

Section AD. Sector AD of Industrial Activity - Miscellaneous Industrial Activities

1. Description of Industrial Activity

The requirements under this section apply to stormwater discharges from activities identified and described as Sector AD. Sector AD industrial activities are described by the following Industrial Activity Code:

SECTOR AD: MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity Codes and Description of the Industrial Activity

Limited to facilities that are designated by the executive director as needing a permit to control pollution related to stormwater discharges and that do not meet the description of an industrial activity covered by Sectors A-AC

2. Limitations on Permit Coverage

(a) Facilities may not request general permit coverage under Sector AD. Coverage under this sector is reserved for those facilities that are designated by the executive director as eligible for coverage under this sector of this general permit. The executive director may designate a facility based on site specific considerations such as water quality impacts. A designation may be made based on information obtained during a site inspection or other means, if it is determined that the discharge would be appropriately regulated under this general permit rather than an individual stormwater permit.

(b) Facilities that are determined by the executive director to need controls in addition to the requirements in Part II and Part III of this general permit will be required to obtain an individual TPDES permit.

3. SWP3 and Other Requirements

The permittee must implement the controls and measures described in Part III of this general permit for all regulated areas of the facility.

4. Co-located Activities

Where co-located industrial activities occur (refer to Part II, Section A.3. of this general permit), the additional conditions and requirements in Part V of this general permit for each of these activities also apply.

5. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements

All facilities authorized under this section must conduct benchmark monitoring according to the requiregdments in Part IV of this general permit and conduct evaluations on the effectiveness of the facility SWP3 based on the following benchmark values:

Table 35. Benchmark Monitoring Requirements for Sector AD

Activity Code	Description of Industrial Activity	Benchmark Parameter	Benchmark Value
AD	Miscellaneous Industrial Activities	pH TSS COD Oil and Grease	6.0-9.0 S.U. 100 mg/L 60 mg/L 10 mg/L

APPENDIX B

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Species List

United States Department of the Interior

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In Reply Refer To:
Project Code: 2024-0000441
Project Name: Space X Boca Chica Launch Facility (Oct. 2023 Update)

October 02, 2023

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) field offices in Clear Lake, Corpus Christi, and Alamo, Texas, have combined administratively to form the Texas Coastal Ecological Services Field Office. All project related correspondence should be sent to the field office address listed below responsible for the county in which your project occurs:

Project Leader; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; 17629 El Camino Real Ste. 211; Houston, Texas 77058
Angelina, Austin, Brazoria, Brazos, Chambers, Colorado, Fayette, Fort Bend, Freestone, Galveston, Grimes, Hardin, Harris, Houston, Jasper, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Madison, Matagorda, Montgomery, Newton, Orange, Polk, Robertson, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Trinity, Tyler, Walker, Waller, and Wharton.

Assistant Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; 4444 Corona Drive, Ste 215; Corpus Christi, Texas 78411
Aransas, Atascosa, Bee, Brooks, Calhoun, De Witt, Dimmit, Duval, Frio, Goliad, Gonzales, Hidalgo, Jackson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kenedy, Kleberg, La Salle, Lavaca, Live Oak, Maverick, McMullen, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, Victoria, and Wilson.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge; Attn: Texas Ecological Services Sub-Office; 3325 Green Jay Road, Alamo, Texas 78516
Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Webb, Willacy, and Zapata.

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the Service under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as

amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2) (c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at: http://www.fws.gov/media/endangered-species-consultation-handbook.

Non-Federal entities may consult under Sections 9 and 10 of the Act. Section 9 and Federal regulations prohibit the take of endangered and threatened species, respectively, without special exemption. "Take" is defined as to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct. "Harm" is further defined (50 CFR § 17.3) to include significant habitat modification or degradation that results in death or injury to listed species by significantly impairing essential behavioral patterns, including breeding, feeding, or sheltering. "Harass" is defined (50 CFR § 17.3) as intentional or negligent actions that create the likelihood of injury to listed species to such an extent as to significantly disrupt normal behavior patterns which include, but are not limited to, breeding, feeding or sheltering. Should the proposed project

have the potential to take listed species, the Service recommends that the applicant develop a Habitat Conservation Plan and obtain a section 10(a)(1)(B) permit. The Habitat Conservation Planning Handbook is available at: https://www.fws.gov/library/collections/habitat-conservation-planning-handbook.

Migratory Birds:
In addition to responsibilities to protect threatened and endangered species under the Act, there are additional responsibilities under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA) to protect native birds from project-related impacts. Any activity, intentional or unintentional, resulting in take of migratory birds, including eagles, is prohibited unless otherwise permitted by the Service (50 C.F.R. Sec. 10.12 and 16 U.S.C. Sec. 668(a)). For more information regarding these Acts visit: https://www.fws.gov/program/migratory-birds.

The MBTA has no provision for allowing take of migratory birds that may be unintentionally killed or injured by otherwise lawful activities. It is the responsibility of the project proponent to comply with these Acts by identifying potential impacts to migratory birds and eagles within applicable National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documents (when there is a federal nexus) or a Bird/Eagle Conservation Plan (when there is no federal nexus). Proponents should implement conservation measures to avoid or minimize the production of project-related stressors or minimize the exposure of birds and their resources to the project-related stressors. For more information on avian stressors and recommended conservation measures see https://www.fws.gov/birds/bird-enthusiasts/threats-to-birds.

In addition to MBTA and BGEPA, Executive Order 13186: *Responsibilities of Federal Agencies to Protect Migratory Birds*, obligates all Federal agencies that engage in or authorize activities that might affect migratory birds, to minimize those effects and encourage conservation measures that will improve bird populations. Executive Order 13186 provides for the protection of both migratory birds and migratory bird habitat.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Code in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List
- Bald & Golden Eagles
- Migratory Birds
- Marine Mammals
- Coastal Barriers
- Wetlands

OFFICIAL SPECIES LIST

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

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