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August 11, 2026

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Chief, Water I Branch
Environmental Permits Division
Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

**Re: Hydrostatic Test General Permit Notice of Intent
Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.
Tallahala Creek HDD Replacement
Forrest County, Mississippi**

Dear Ms. Tomkins:

Allen Engineering and Science, Inc (AllenES) is assisting Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (TGP) with a proposed line replacement project in Forrest County, Mississippi. The Project proposes to replace approximately 1,460 linear feet of existing 36-inch pipeline via horizontal directional drilling (HDD) techniques beneath Tallahala Creek. TGP has received authorization to withdraw water from Tallahala Creek for horizontal directional drilling and hydrostatic-testing activities associated with the Project. Hydrostatic test-water discharges will be managed through the following outfalls:

- **Outfall 001:** Land application within the Smith Creek drainage area. Smith Creek is not independently identified on Mississippi's Section 303(d) list as impaired for fecal coliform; however, Smith Creek discharges to Tallahala Creek a short distance downstream of the proposed outfall.
- **Outfall 002:** Land application within the Tallahala Creek drainage area. Tallahala Creek, including evaluated drainage area MS089E, is subject to an approved total maximum daily load (TMDL) for fecal coliform.

Because both outfalls ultimately drain to Tallahala Creek, the avoidance and treatment measures described below will be implemented at both locations to maintain consistency with the approved Tallahala Creek fecal-coliform TMDL. Neither discharge is expected to cause or contribute to the existing fecal-coliform impairment. The hydrostatic test water will be withdrawn directly from Tallahala Creek and will not be exposed to sanitary wastewater, septic waste, livestock waste, or other project-related sources of fecal contamination. During testing, the water will contact only new, cleaned steel infrastructure, and no project activity is expected to introduce fecal coliform into the test water.



Consistent with the HTGP, the test water will be land-applied within a stable, well-vegetated upland area through appropriately designed energy-dissipation and filtration controls. These controls will include a splash plate, sediment-filter bags, properly entrenched straw bales, silt fence, or equivalent approved filter media, as appropriate. Dewatering structures will be located at least 50 feet from adjacent surface waters and wetlands. Discharge rates will be controlled to promote infiltration and prevent erosion, sediment transport, concentrated runoff, or the conveyance of hydrostatic test water to Smith Creek or Tallahala Creek.

See below for specific proposed Project details:

- Withdrawal of approximately 610,000 gallons total (160,000 gallons for the purposes of the hydrostatic testing) from Tallahala Creek, located in rural northern Forrest County, Mississippi, at Lat. 31.426981° N, Long. 89.159014° W as shown in **Figure 1**.
- Planned withdrawal dates and duration - on or about October 1st – November 15th.
- Planned discharge dates – on or about November 16th – November 25th.
- TGP received USFWS concurrence on July 29, 2026, stating that water withdrawal from Tallahala Creek is not likely to adversely affect threatened and endangered species.
- In the event of a rupture during hydrostatic testing, TGP received authorization for withdrawal of an additional 160,000 gallons of water.

Let me know if there are additional requirements/submittals needed to facilitate this request. Please don't hesitate to call me directly on my cell phone at 205-310-8345 to discuss. Thank you in advance for your timely attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Allen Engineering and Science, Inc.

Travis Beard
Senior Scientist

Attachments



HYDROSTATIC TEST NOTICE OF INTENT (HTNOI)

FOR COVERAGE UNDER MISSISSIPPI'S HYDROSTATIC TEST

GENERAL PERMIT

GENERAL PERMIT MSG130687

(Number to be assigned by MDEQ)

INSTRUCTIONS

The Hydrostatic Test Notice of Intent (HTNOI) is for coverage under the Hydrostatic Test General Permit to discharge hydrostatic test water. Applicant must be the owner or operator. The coverage recipient is responsible for compliance with the conditions of the general permit.

Completed HTNOIs should be filed at least thirty (30) days prior to the commencement of regulated activity. Discharge of hydrostatic test water without written notification of coverage is a violation of state law.

If the company seeking coverage is a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, or a business trust, attach proof of its registration with the Mississippi Secretary of State and /or its Certificate of Good Standing. This registration or Certificate of Good Standing must be dated within twelve (12) months of the date of the submittal of this coverage form. Coverage will be issued in the company name as it is registered with the Mississippi Secretary of State.

IF REGULATED LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITIES ARE TO OCCUR, LIST ACRES DISTURBED: _____

NOTE: If disturbing five (5) acres or more, a stormwater construction coverage is required.

A USGS quadrangle map or copy is a required submittal. The map shall extend at least one-half of a mile beyond the facility/ project property boundary. In the case of linear pipeline projects the map shall extend at least one-half of a mile beyond the pipeline right-of-way. The site location and outfalls must be outlined and labeled. Quad maps can be obtained from the Office of Geology (601-961-5523). If a copy is submitted, provide the name of the quadrangle map that is found in upper right hand corner.

Additional submittals may include the following:

- Labeled site drawing noting the outfall(s) associated with hydrostatic test water discharge(s)
- List of chemical Additives,
- Appropriate Section 404 documentation from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, or
- Written authorization from the MDEQ, Office of Land and Water, if water withdrawal from surface waters or ground waters is to be used for the testing. For information call the Office of Land and Water at 601/961-5202

ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED (Answer "NA" if not applicable)

APPLICANT IS THE: ☐ OWNER ☐ OPERATOR (Must check one or both)

OWNER INFORMATION

OWNER CONTACT NAME & POSITION: _____

OWNER EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

OWNER COMPANY NAME: _____

OWNER STREET (P.O. BOX): _____

OWNER CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

OWNER PHONE # (INCLUDE AREA CODE): _____

OPERATOR INFORMATION

OPERATOR CONTACT NAME & POSITION: _____

OPERATOR EMAIL: _____

OPERATOR COMPANY: _____

OPERATOR STREET (P.O. BOX): _____

OPERATOR CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

OPERATOR PHONE # (INCLUDE AREA CODE): _____

FACILITY/PROJECT INFORMATION

FACILITY/PROJECT NAME: _____

PIPELINE, STORAGE TANK OR FLOWLINE BEING TESTED IS: ☐ NEW ☐ USED

IF USED, LIST PRIOR MATERIAL SERVICE OF EQUIPMENT: _____

PHYSICAL SITE ADDRESS (If not available, indicate nearest named road. Linear projects indicate beginning of project):

STREET: _____ CITY: _____

COUNTY: _____ ZIP: _____

Facility site tribal land ID (NA if not applicable) _____

TYPE OF TREATMENT (IF PROVIDED): _____

SIC Code _ _ _ _ NAICS Code _ _ _ _ _

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and/or imprisonment for knowing violations.

Mina B. Orsey
Signature¹ (Must be signed by operator when different than owner)

8/11/2026
Date Signed

Printed Name

Title

¹This application shall be signed according to ACT6, T-17 of the General Permit, as follows:

- For a corporation, by a responsible corporate officer.
- For a partnership, by a general partner.
- For a sole proprietorship, by the proprietor.
- For a municipal, state or other public facility, by principal executive officer, the mayor, or ranking elected official.

HTNOI forms must be submitted to: Chief, Environmental Permits Division
MS Dept of Environmental Quality, Office of Pollution Control
P.O. Box 2261
Jackson, Mississippi 39225

Revised: 03-15-17

OUTFALL INFORMATION

(To be submitted with HTNOI and Major Modification Forms)

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For each outfall, complete the information in the table below (NOTE: Complete the last column of this form, only if it is being submitted with a Major Modification Form).
2. All outfalls must be spotted and labeled on a USGS quadrangle map.

OUTALL NO.	LATITUDE ¹ (deg/min/sec)	LONGITUDE ¹ (deg/min/sec)	SOURCE OF FILL WATER	NEAREST RECEIVING STREAM ²				EST. TOTAL DISCHARGE (MIL GAL)	STATUS OF TANK, PIPELINE, FLOWLINE ETC.		EXPECTED TEST DATE(S) (mm/dd/yr)	INDICATE WHETHER OUTFALL IS NEW OF EXISTING	
				NAME	ON MDEQ 303(D) LIST? ³		HAS TMDL? ³		New	Used			
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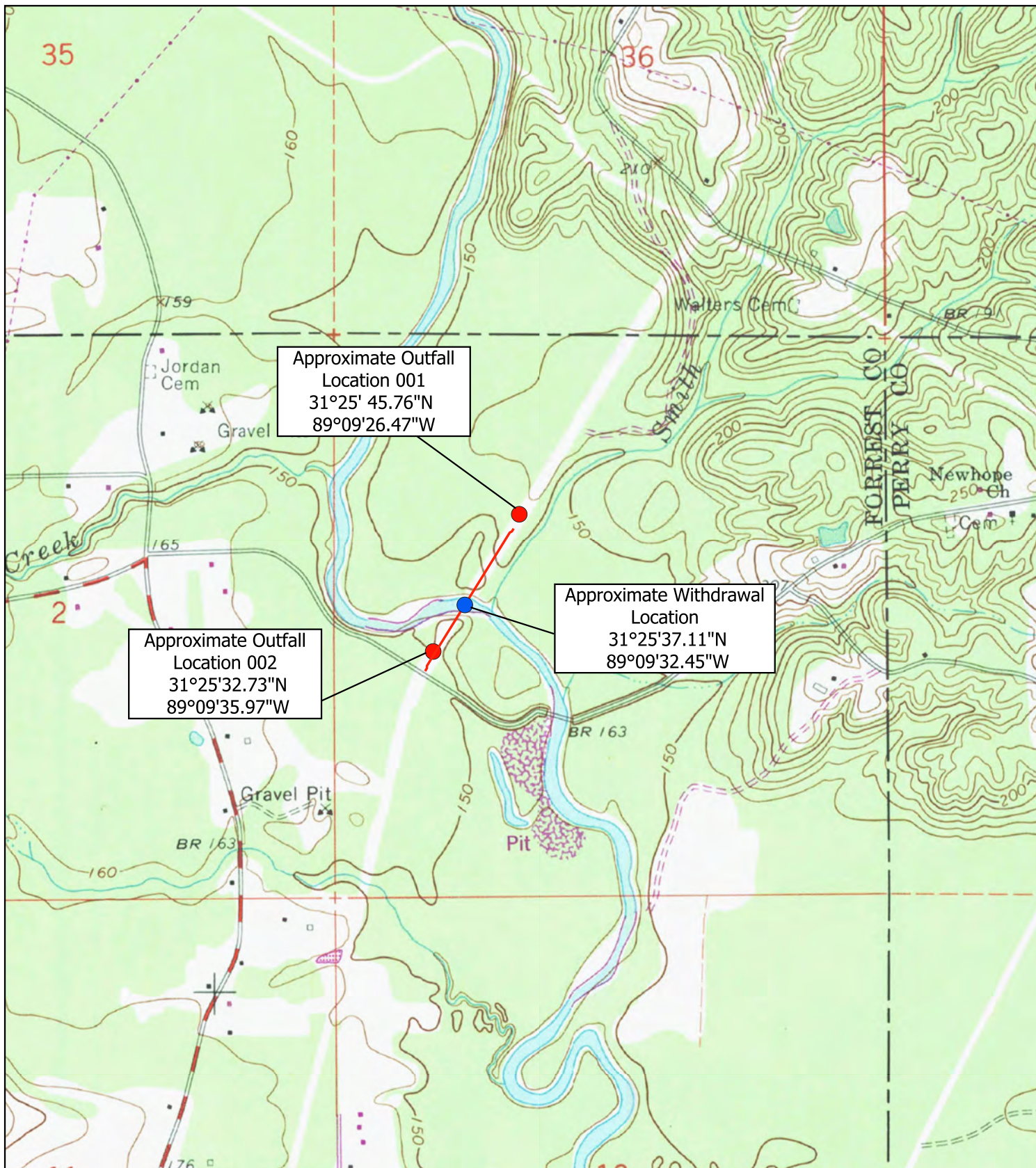
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NOTE: To Comply with EPA's NPDES e-Reporting rule, MDEQ has implemented the use of U.S.EPA's NetDMR for the submittal of DMRs. Permittees required to submit DMRs must submit DMRs electronically using NetDMR. A training video and additional info can be found at <http://bit.ly/2gao6sW>. For additional information about NetDMR, please send an email to netdmrhelp@mdeq.ms.gov or contact Annette Brocks at 601-961-5252

¹ List the latitude and longitude of its location to the nearest 15 seconds.

² Name of the nearest named receiving stream as listed on a USGS Quad Map.

³ MDEQ's 303(d) List of Impaired Water Bodies and approved TMDLs can be found at: http://www.deq.state.ms.us/MDEQ.nsf/page/TWB_Total_Maximum_Daily_Load_Section



PROJECT LOCATION 31.427518, -89.158627	LEGEND - TGP 39040 500-2 HDD Replacement — Proposed Replacement - Approximate Withdrawal Location - Approximate Outfall Location	TENNESSEE GAS PIPELINE COMPANY, LLC TGP 500-2 TALLAHALA CREEK HDD REPLACEMENT FORREST COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI		
		ALLEN ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE		
		Scale: 1" = 1500'	DRAWN BY: TB CHKD BY: OB	DATE: 08/10/26 DATE: 08/10/26
		PROJECT NO. 26176 CAD FILE: 26176 FIG01 D OLM 073126		
USGS Topographic Maps			OUTFALL LOCATION MAP	
			FIGURE 1	



APPENDIX B

OFFICE OF LAND AND WATER – WATER WITHDRAWAL AUTHORIZATION



STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TATE REEVES

GOVERNOR

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

CHRIS WELLS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

August 3, 2026

Travis Beard
Allen Engineering and Science
1100 C Dauphin Street
Mobile, Alabama 36604

Re: Temporary Water Withdrawal for Hydrostatic Testing
Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC
Forrest County

Mr. Beard:

This letter will serve as authorization from the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) for Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC to withdraw surface water from Tallahala Creek, which drains into the Leaf River, for the purpose of horizontal directional drilling activities and hydrostatic testing in Forrest County, Mississippi, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. The withdrawal point shall be limited to Tallahala Creek at approximately 31.426981°N, -89.159014°W.
2. The withdrawal shall be limited to a maximum pumping rate of **1,500 gallons per minute**. The total cumulative withdrawal volume for the project shall be limited to **770,000 thousand gallons**.
3. The anticipated date for the withdrawal to begin is approximately **October 1st, 2026**. This authorization shall expire on **November 15th, 2026**.
4. The intake of the withdrawal pipe or hose must be screened to protect aquatic life.
5. Coverage under the Hydrostatic Test General Permit must be received from MDEQ's Office of Pollution Control prior to withdrawing water for the project, if applicable.

If you have any questions regarding the authorization or need further assistance, please contact me at (601) 961-5775.

Sincerely,

Austin Brister, RPG, Chief
Water Use Permitting Branch
Permitting, Certification, and Compliance Division