

Plain Language Summary Template and Instructions for Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) and Texas Land Application (TLAP) Permit Applications

This template is a guide to assist applicant's in developing a plain language summary as required by [30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 39 Subchapter H](#). Applicant's may modify the template as necessary to accurately describe their facility as long as the summary includes the following information: (1) the function of the proposed plant or facility; (2) the expected output of the proposed plant or facility; (3) the expected pollutants that may be emitted or discharged by the proposed plant or facility; and (4) how the applicant will control those pollutants, so that the proposed plant will not have an adverse impact on human health or the environment.

Fill in the highlighted areas below to describe your facility and application in plain language. Instructions and examples are provided below. Make any other edits necessary to improve readability or grammar and to comply with the rule requirements.

If you are subject to the alternative language notice requirements in [30 Texas Administrative Code §39.426](#), **you must provide a translated copy of the completed plain language summary in the appropriate alternative language as part of your application package.** For your convenience, a Spanish template has been provided below.

ENGLISH TEMPLATE FOR TPDES or TLAP NEW/RENEWAL/AMENDMENT APPLICATIONS INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER/STORMWATER

The following summary is provided for this pending water quality permit application being reviewed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality as required by 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 39. The information provided in this summary may change during the technical review of the application and are not federal enforceable representations of the permit application.

Waste Management of Texas, Inc. (CN600127856) operates the Coastal Plains Recycling & Disposal Facility (RN100542448), a Type I Municipal Solid Waste Landfill located at 21000 E. Highway 6 in Alvin, Galveston County, Texas 77511. The landfill discharges uncontaminated stormwater and groundwater under TCEQ Wastewater Discharge Permit WQ0003416000, and in May 2023 will submit an application to TCEQ to renew the permit for five years. The stormwater and groundwater discharge process is described below.

Groundwater is pumped to lower the groundwater level beneath landfill cell excavations to reduce hydrostatic uplift pressure on the landfill liner until enough waste is placed in the lined cell to resist the pressure, after which groundwater pumping for the cell stops. This groundwater is pumped to perimeter ditches which flow to Pond B, a sedimentation basin. Uncontaminated storm water also gravity flows to Pond B which is periodically discharged to Outfall 001. WM conducts monthly sampling and testing of water being discharged and submits Discharge Monitoring Reports containing the laboratory data to the TCEQ.

<<For TLAP applications include the following sentence, otherwise delete:>>

PLANTILLA EN ESPAÑOL PARA SOLICITUDES NUEVAS/RENOVACIONES/ENMIENDAS DE TPDES o TLAP

AGUAS RESIDUALES INDUSTRIALES/AGUAS PLUVIALES