

NOTICE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT PERMITS; and
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED PERMITS

PERMIT NO.:	APPLICANT:	FACILITY:
WA0000892	Kaiser Aluminum Washington, LLC	Kaiser Aluminum Trentwood Works 15000 E Euclid Ave Spokane Valley, WA 99215
WA0024473	City of Spokane/Spokane County (Pretreatment Program) (Spokane)	City of Spokane Riverside Park Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility and Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs) 4401 N. Aubrey L. White Parkway Spokane, WA. 99205
WA0045144	Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District	Liberty Lake Wastewater Treatment Facility 1926 N. Harvard Road Liberty Lake, WA 99019

The above facilities have re-applied for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington (RCW), Chapter 173-220 Washington Administrative Code (WAC), and the Federal Clean Water Act.

Spokane presently owns and operates an activated sludge wastewater treatment plant which is designed to handle an average flow of 36.4 million gallons per day (MGD) and a peak day flow of 69.4 MGD during the months of March – October or critical season. During the high flow months of November – February the facility treats an average flow of 37.1 MGD with a peak day design flow of 74.8 MGD. The City also maintains 20 combined sewer overflow (CSO) outfalls and is in the process of regulating their discharge into the Spokane River. By December 31, 2017 these outfalls must meet the requirement of no more than one discharge per year based on a 20 year rolling average. In addition to CSO control, the City of Spokane has initiated design and construction for the Next Level of Treatment (NLT) at the treatment plant. The installation of the NLT tertiary membrane filtration process will improve the quality of the treated wastewater and protect downstream water quality in the Spokane River.

Kaiser Aluminum Washington, LLC owns and operates an aluminum rolling mill and metal finishing plant at Trentwood. The facility discharges an average flow of 8.9 million gallons per day of treated wastewater to the Spokane River from the plant operations.

The **Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District** (the District) presently owns and operates an extended aeration activated sludge wastewater treatment plant configured for biological nutrient removal. This treatment plant is designed to handle an average flow of 1.8 million gallons per day (MGD) and a peak day flow of 3.0 MGD. At this time the District has started their Phase II upgrade which will add a tertiary membrane filtration process providing additional treatment which will improve downstream water quality in the Spokane River.

Ecology will hold both an open house and a workshop followed by a public hearing during the public comment period for the 3 draft NPDES permits above. The **open house** will be held at the Department of Ecology Eastern Regional office at 4601 N Monroe St, Spokane, WA 99205 starting at **6:00 pm on June 30, 2016**. The **Workshop and Public Hearing** will be held at Mirabeau Park Hotel and Convention Center starting at **6:00 pm on August 2, 2016**. Call the Permit Coordinator at 509-329-3455 for more information or driving directions.

The wastewater, following treatment, must meet the requirements of the Washington State Water Pollution Control Act and applicable regulations for a permit to be issued. Following evaluation of the application and other available information, draft permits have been developed which would allow the discharge of industrial and municipal wastewater from the above facilities to the Spokane River.

A tentative determination has been made on the effluent limitations and special permit conditions that will prevent and control pollution. A final determination will not be made until all timely comments received in response to this notice have been evaluated.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND INFORMATION

The draft permits and fact sheets may be viewed at the Department of Ecology website at <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/wqreports/public/f?p=publicparis>. The applications, fact sheets, proposed permits, and other related documents are also available at the Department’s Eastern Regional Office for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., weekdays. To obtain a copy or to arrange to view copies please call (509) 329-3400 or contact the permit coordinator at the address below.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the proposed permits. All comments must be submitted within 60 days after publication of this notice to be considered for the final determination. Comments must be received by Ecology **no later than August 29, 2016**.

Send comments to: Permit Coordinator, Department of Ecology, 4601 N. Monroe Street, Spokane, WA 99205 or stra461@ecy.wa.gov.

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