

## FACT SHEET



### INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

# AES Indiana Eagle Valley Generating Station Surface Impoundment Closure Fact Sheet

## Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) Closure Plan

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### **Background**

The Eagle Valley Generating Station (EVGS) is owned by AES Indiana. It is located at 4040 Blue Bluff Road, Martinsville.

- The facility operated coal-fired electric generating units from 1949 until their shutdown in April 2016 for replacement by a new natural gas electric generating station. The coal-fired units produced coal combustion residuals (CCR) in the form of fly ash and bottom ash.
- These CCR materials were sent for treatment to the station's Ash Pond System, which consists of Ponds A, B, C, D, and E.
- AES Indiana submitted a revised closure and post-closure plan for Ponds A, B, & C only on Nov. 17, 2023. AES Indiana indicated a separate plan for Ponds D, and E will be submitted later.
- AES Indiana is proposing to cover and close the ponds in place, after which they will be subject to post-closure requirements.
- Additional details about the closure may be found in the following documents in IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet: the revised closure and post-closure plan dated Nov. 17, 2023 (VFC #[83562102](#)), the closure and post-closure plan dated Oct. 14, 2022 (VFC #[83382985](#)), with a Request for Additional Information dated April 7, 2017 (VFC #[80447184](#)) and dated Dec. 8, 2016 (VFC #[80393827](#)), and additional information dated Jan. 26, 2017 (VFC #[80414159](#)), June 5, 2017 (VFC #[80470611](#)), Feb. 7, 2018 (VFC #[80608674](#)), Oct. 30, 2018 (VFC #[82643727](#)), March 19, 2019 (VFC #[82730799](#)), June 10, 2019 (VFC #[82791293](#)), July 24, 2019 (VFC #[82815218](#)), Feb. 25, 2020 (VFC #[82928191](#)), and Sept. 15, 2023 (VFC #[83534090](#)).
- AES Indiana held a third public meeting regarding the closure/post-closure plans on May 8, 2024, from 6-8 p.m. EST. The first public meeting was held Nov. 3, 2016, and the second meeting was held on Dec. 9, 2020. Any previously submitted comments do not need to be resubmitted.
- The deadline for submitting comments is June 9, 2024.
- Please contact Pilar Cuadra at AES Indiana at 317-797-0633 or [pilar.cuadra@AES.com](mailto:pilar.cuadra@AES.com) for further information on the meeting conclusions.

### **IDEM's Role**

- IDEM is responsible for protecting human health and the environment while providing for safe industrial, agricultural, commercial, and governmental operations vital to a prosperous economy.
- IDEM's Office of Land Quality is responsible for reviewing closure plans for the CCR surface impoundments. Engineers and geologists evaluate design drawings and operating plans to ensure they meet or exceed the rule requirements before granting an approval or modifications to an approval.
- In addition to issuing approvals that comply with federal and state environmental regulations designed to protect public health and the environment, IDEM is also responsible for overseeing permitted activities and monitoring compliance at permitted facilities.

- IDEM will ensure all submitted materials related to the surface impoundment closure plan are publicly available through IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet (VFC).

### **Citizen's Role**

- You can review the application and related correspondence online at IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet (VFC) web site using the following steps:
  - Go to <https://vfc.idem.in.gov/DocumentSearch.aspx>, which is the VFC's "Document Search" page.
  - Once there, click on the **Alternate Field** dropdown menu.
  - Select **Solid Waste (SW) Program ID**.
  - Enter the SW Program ID, **55-UP-03** in the **ID #** box to the right of the **Alternate Field** menu.
  - Click the **I'm not a robot** checkbox and wait until a green checkmark appears.
  - Click the **Search** button, which produces one or more links to the documents for this facility below a map of its location.
  - To find and review the permit decision, click the highlighted numbers in the **Doc #** column to view individual documents.
  - Click on the **1 out of y Pages** dropdown menu to view additional pages with document links.
- Comments may be mailed to Kira Wren, the Solid Waste Permit Manager assigned to this facility, at the following address:

**Kira Wren, Permit Manager**  
**Indiana Department of Environmental Management**  
**Office of Land Quality**  
**Solid Waste Permits**  
**IGCN 1101**  
**100 North Senate Avenue**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251**

However, emailed comments are preferred. Comments may be emailed to Ms. Kira Wren at [KWren@idem.IN.gov](mailto:KWren@idem.IN.gov).

- All comments must be submitted by **June 9, 2024**.
- When IDEM makes a final decision about the CCR surface impoundments closure plan, a Notice of Decision will be mailed to landowners within one mile of the facility and individuals who submitted comments or requested notification.

### **Additional Information**

- You can direct questions to Ms. Wren at her email above or by phone at 317-233-7090.
- For more information about activities managed through the IDEM Solid Waste Permits Section, please visit IDEM's website at [idem.IN.gov/waste/resources/permits-registrations-approvals-and-closures](https://idem.IN.gov/waste/resources/permits-registrations-approvals-and-closures).