

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT  
PUBLIC NOTICE of DRAFT RENEWAL of MASTER NPDES GENERAL PERMIT  
FOR PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS

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DATE OF NOTICE: July 13, 2026

RESPONSE DATE DUE: August 13, 2026

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) proposes to renew its Master NPDES General Permit Number ING870000 which pertains to Pesticide Applications (commonly referred to as the Pesticide General Permit) for a new five-year term. The purpose of this NPDES general permit is to establish requirements for point source discharges statewide from the application of pesticides to or near waters of the state. These requirements are consistent with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) pesticide general permit requirements published under 40 CFR 122. The NPDES general permit is applicable to pesticide applications to land areas adjacent to waters of the state and also directly on waters of the state of Indiana.

The following categories of pesticide discharges are covered under this general permit: Mosquitos and Other Flying Insect Pest Management; Aquatic Weed and Vegetation Control; Aquatic Nuisance Animal Control; Forest Canopy Pest Control; Ditch Bank or Conveyance Weed Control; Control of Aquatic Vegetation under a DNR Permit; and Aquatic Weed and Algae Control in Private Ponds.

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Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the draft NPDES general permit renewal. All comments or requests should be sent to the attention of the IDEM Contact Person at the above address and must be received by IDEM no later than August 13, 2026. Any request for a public hearing shall be made in writing and shall include: the name and address of the person making the request, the interest of the person making the request, persons represented by the person making the request, the reason for the request and the issues proposed for consideration at the hearing. The department will determine whether to hold a public hearing based upon the comments and the rationale for the request. All written comments received during the Public Notice period will be considered in the formulation of the final NPDES general permit. Please direct any comments submitted via email to our generic email inbox at [OWQ@idem.IN.gov](mailto:OWQ@idem.IN.gov).

The draft NPDES general permit is posted on IDEM's web site at <https://www.in.gov/idem/public-notice/public-notice-statewide/>. The draft permit is also available via email request. Please tell others whom you think would be interested in this matter. See these sites for information concerning your rights and responsibilities: <https://www.in.gov/idem/resources/citizens-guide-to-idem/> and <https://www.in.gov/idem/public-notice/>.

IDEM will provide notice of the final determination on this permit to all persons who submit written comments or who submit a written request for notification to the IDEM Contact Person.