

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA)  
Notice of Water Discharge Permit Public Hearing  
NPDES Permit IL0080047

# Quality Sand Products, LLC Quality Sand Products-LaSalle

**Public Hearing**  
**Tuesday, June 17, 2014**  
NPDES Permit Hearing at 6 p.m.

**LaSalle Peru Township High School**  
**541 Chartres Street**  
**LaSalle, Illinois**

The IEPA Bureau of Water has prepared a draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for Quality Sand Products, L.L.C. for Quality Sand Products-LaSalle. The address of the discharger is Quality Sand Products, L.L.C., PO Box 207, Spring Valley, IL. 61362. The facility is in LaSalle County.

Illinois EPA is holding this hearing for the purpose of taking comments on the draft permit prior to taking final action on the permit application. Issues relevant to this proceeding include the antidegradation analysis and the applicant's compliance with requirements of the federal Clean Water Act and Subtitles C and D, 35 Illinois Adm. Code. Because Illinois is mandated by state law to issue a permit if the applicant meets the requirements for obtaining a permit, those recommending denial of the permit application should be prepared to state the regulation that is the basis of their recommendation. Issues related to the mining operations are not relevant in this proceeding and should be directed to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Mines and Minerals.

The applicant proposes a new surface sand mine and will be engaged in excavation, extraction and processing of industrial sand (SIC 1446). Wastewater is generated from pit pumpage, process water and stormwater runoff. Plant operations result in an average discharge of 1.25 MGD of groundwater seepage, process water and stormwater runoff from outfall 001 to Pecumsaugum Creek.

Application is made for one (1) new discharges which is located in LaSalle County, Illinois. The following information identifies the discharge point, receiving stream and stream classification:

**Outfall** – OO1; **Receiving Stream** – Pecumsaugum Creek; **Latitude** - 41° 22min 7.3sec North;  
**Longitude** - 89° 1min 34.0sec West; **Stream Classification** – General Use; **Biological Stream Characterization** – Not Rated

The draft NPDES permit and the public notice/fact sheet were public noticed on March 3 2014. The antidegradation assessment, which was part of the public notice, and other documents for this proceeding can be viewed on the IEPA website: <http://www.epa.state.il.us/public-notices/npdes-notices.html#quality->

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The draft permit, public notice/fact sheet, the regulations governing the conduct of the hearing and other documents can be reviewed and copied at the Illinois EPA, 1021 N. Grand Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois; 217-782-0610. Please call ahead for an appointment.

Inquiries about the draft permit IL0080047 should be directed to Darren Gove, Facility Evaluation Unit, Illinois EPA; 1021 N. Grand Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois; 217-782-0610, e-mail [darren.gove@illinois.gov](mailto:darren.gove@illinois.gov)

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with provisions of Sections 309.115 through 309.119. These documents can be obtained online at <http://www.ipcb.state.il.us/documents/dsweb/Get/Document-33358>. Requests for special needs interpreters must be made to the IEPA hearing officer by **May 27 2014**.

The hearing record is a file containing the hearing transcript and written comments. Written comments must be postmarked or e-mailed by July 2, 2014, when the hearing record closes (e-mails with written comments must be sent to [epa.publichearingcom@illinois.gov](mailto:epa.publichearingcom@illinois.gov) and should specify Quality Sand NPDES in the subject line. Email comments originating on third party systems or servers intended for submittal of multiple emails of the same or nearly the same content will not be accepted without prior written approval from the hearing officer. The IEPA welcomes substantive written comments. Comments need not be notarized and should be sent to:

Hearing Officer Dean Studer, Mail Code #5  
Re: Quality Sand NPDES  
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
P. O. Box 19276  
Springfield, IL 62794-9276  
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Comments related to the hearing process and not comments on this draft permit can be emailed to the hearing officer at [dean.studer@illinois.gov](mailto:dean.studer@illinois.gov).