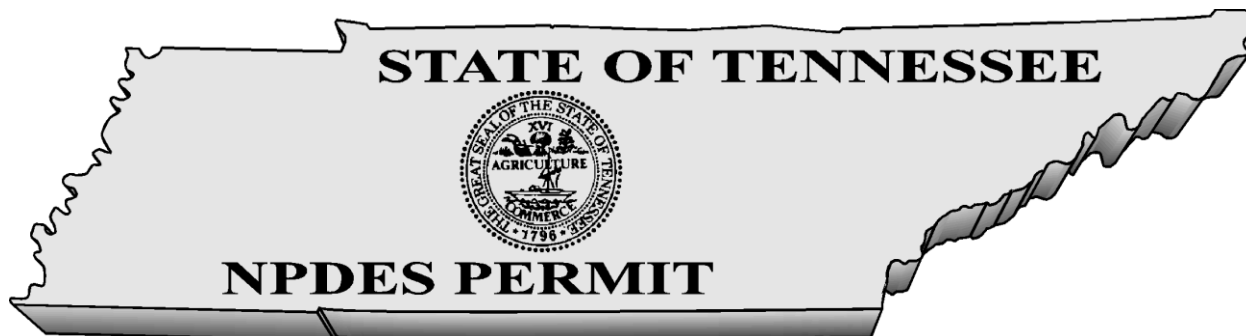




Tracking Number TNR183389

**NOTICE OF COVERAGE UNDER THE GENERAL NPDES PERMIT FOR STORMWATER
DISCHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY (CGP)**

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
Division of Water Resources
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

Under authority of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977 (T.C.A. 69-3-101 et seq.) and the delegation of authority from the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended by the Clean Water Act of 1977 (33 U.S.C. 1251, et seq.):

Name of the Construction Project: **Bulk Storage Railyard (29.21 acres)**
Master Tracking Number at the Site: **TNR183389**
Permittee Name: **True Rail Enterprises LLC**
Project Name: **Bulk Storage Railyard**
Contractor(s): **no contractor**
is authorized to discharge: **storm water associated with construction activity**
from site located at: **South Main Street, Maury County**
to receiving waters named: **Sugar Creek**
in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth herein.

Likely presence of threatened or endangered species in one mile radius: **NO**

Likely presence of threatened or endangered species downstream: **NO**

Additional pollution prevention requirements apply for discharges into waters which TDEC identifies as:

- Unavailable Condition - Siltation

- Exceptional Tennessee Waters: NO

Your coverage under the CGP shall become effective on **April 20, 2026**, and shall be terminated upon receipt of [Notice of Termination](#).

A copy of the CGP can be obtained from

<https://www.tn.gov/content/tn/environment/permit-permits/water-permits1/npdes-permits1/npdes-stormwater-permitting-program/npdes-stormwater-construction-permit.html>



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April 20, 2026

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True Rail Enterprises, LLC
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500 1st Avenue
Mt. Pleasant, TN 38474

Subject: **NPDES Construction General Permit Tracking No. TNR183389**
 Master Tracking Number: TNR183389
 Bulk Storage Railyard
 True Rail Enterprises LLC
 Mt. Pleasant, Maury County, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Smith:

You recently submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) form as part of an application package to obtain coverage under a General NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activity (CGP). The Division of Water Resources (the division) acknowledges receipt of the most recent version of the application for the above referenced project on April 8, 2026. After review, the application was deemed to be complete on April 14, 2026. Enclosed is the Notice of Coverage (NOC) form which shows the site name and location, receiving stream, effective date of coverage, etc.

Please be aware that for future CGP NOI submittals, the NOI should be submitted through the MyTDEC Forms portal [MyTDEC Forms - CGP](#). The MyTDEC Forms portal was created to comply with EPA's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) [Electronic Reporting Rule \(eRule\)](#), which requires electronic reporting and sharing of NPDES program data.

Contractor Information

You have not identified a contractor on the NOI. You must identify a primary contractor, or contractor otherwise responsible for sediment and erosion controls on the construction site, if appropriate, and submit a revised NOI to this office prior to beginning earth clearing operations onsite. When submitting the NOI, please include the above referenced permit tracking number.

Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)

You have submitted a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) as required by Section 1.4.2 of the CGP. Please note that the division has not performed an engineering review of the SWPPP and does not certify whether the SWPPP adequately provides for the pollution prevention requirements at the site as described in the general permit. The division acknowledges that you have submitted a SWPPP that appears to include the required components of a SWPPP. It is the responsibility of all site operators to design,

implement, and maintain measures that are sufficient to prevent pollution at the referenced site, and to remain in compliance with the terms and conditions of the general permit.

Receiving Stream not Supporting Designated Uses

The receiving stream for the construction site for which the NOI was submitted appears on the state's list for partially supporting or for not supporting a stream's designated use due to siltation. Since the discharge from the proposed construction site may contain significant amounts of silt, the division considers the potential for degradation to the receiving stream from the discharge to be significant. Therefore, the additional pollution prevention requirements described in Subpart 6.4 of the General Permit are applicable to your construction site; requirements of Section 6.4.2. apply only if the stream is located on or adjacent to the disturbed area.

Site Assessment

Per Subsection 5.5.3.8 of the permit, a quality assurance of erosion prevention and sediment controls (EPSCs) shall be done by performing site assessments by a qualified individual. Site assessment shall be conducted at each outfall draining 10 or more acres (Subsection 5.5.3.5) or 5 or more acres if draining to waters with unavailable parameters or Exceptional Tennessee Waters (Section 6.4.1). Site assessments must cover the entire disturbed area and occur within 30 days of construction commencing at each portion of the site that drains the qualifying acreage. At a minimum, site assessments should be performed to verify the installation, functionality and performance of the EPSC measures described in the SWPPP. If structural BMPs (or equivalent EPSC measures) are not constructed or construction is in progress at the time of the site assessment, a follow-up monthly assessment(s) is required until the BMPs are constructed per the SWPPP.

Annual Maintenance Fee and Termination of Permit Coverage

Effective July 1, 2014, permit fees for the General Permit have been revised. In addition to new application fee amounts, annual maintenance fees are now required for projects that exceed one year of coverage. Permittees wishing to terminate coverage must submit a completed notice of termination (NOT) form, which is available on the division's construction stormwater webpage at <https://www.tn.gov/content/tn/environment/permit-permits/water-permits1/npdes-permits1/npdes-stormwater-permitting-program/npdes-stormwater-construction-permit.html>.

The division will review the NOT for completeness and accuracy and, when necessary, investigate the site for which the NOT was submitted. The division will notify the applicant that either the NOT form was received and accepted, or that the permit coverage is not eligible for termination and has not been terminated. If applicable, the notification will include a summary of existing deficiencies.

Issuance of this NOC does not imply that the permittee has any other development authorizations, including rights or expectations of approval for any other permits, authorizations, or coverages, either federal, state, or local. CGP coverage does not delineate or authorize impact to waters of the state. Coverage under the CGP cannot be used by permittees as a relevant factor in the review and approval and issuance of any other TDEC permits, authorizations, or coverages, including but not limited to other NPDES permits, Aquatic Resource Alteration Permits, engineering plans approval, or wastewater disposal issues. Proceeding with construction prior to resolution of any other regulatory requirement is at your own risk.

We appreciate your attention to the general construction storm water permit and its requirements. A copy of the CGP can be obtained from <https://www.tn.gov/content/tn/environment/permit-permits/water-permits1/npdes-permits1/npdes-stormwater-permitting-program/npdes-stormwater-construction->

[permit.html](#). We believe this does make a difference to the quality of state waters. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Alex Fleming at (931) 287-3595 or by e-mail at *Alex.Fleming@tn.gov*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sherry R. Glass". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sherry R. Glass, Environmental Manager
Division of Water Resources
Columbia Environmental Field Office