



Public Notice: Proposed Settlement with City of St. Maries for Clean Water Act Violations in Idaho

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Summary

EPA is providing notice of a proposed administrative penalty settlement with the city of St. Maries for violations of the Clean Water Act at its facility in Idaho.

EPA alleges that the respondent failed to reapply for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit at its wastewater treatment plant, and failed to meet effluent limitations. The facility discharges into the **St. Joes River**.

This action is being simultaneously commenced and concluded in a legal document called a *Consent Agreement and Final Order*. Under the proposed agreement, the city of St. Maries will pay a **civil penalty of \$6,534**.

How to Comment

Comments Due:

September 3, 2026

Please send all written comments by email to the Regional Hearing Clerk (R10_RHC@epa.gov) within 30 days of the date of this notice.

Comments should reference docket number **CWA-10-2026-0220**. Be sure to include your name and address if you would like a response.

Respondent

City of St. Maries
602 College Avenue
St. Maries, Idaho 83861

Legal authority

This is a Class II administrative penalty proceeding governed by Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act [33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)], and the procedural rules found at 40 CFR Part 22 <<https://epa.gov/enforcement/consolidated-rules-practice-40-cfr-part-22-administrative-assessment-civil-penalties-1>>. The requirements that apply to public comment and participation are set forth in Clean Water Act Section 309(g)(4) and 40 CFR § 22.45.

If you are unable to submit written comments by email, please call Salee Porter, Regional Hearing Clerk, at 206-553-0531.

For more information, contact Steven Potokar (potokar.steven@epa.gov), 206-553-6354, EPA Compliance Officer.

Related documents

-  Draft Consent Agreement with City of St. Maries (pdf)
<<https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2026-08/cwa-10-2026-0220-st-maries.pdf>> (245.77 KB, August 2026)
EPA enforcement docket number CWA-10-2026-0220

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