

PUBLIC NOTICE

April 26, 2024

The [Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality \(DEQ\)](#) has received an application for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) pertaining to proposed activities on an unnamed tributary to Stanley Draper Lake in Oklahoma County to be authorized under CWA Section 404 permit for the discharge of dredged or fill material. Under [Section 401 of the Clean Water Act \(CWA\)](#), the State is required to review any Federal permit regarding activities in navigable waters. The purpose of the Certification review, according to DEQ regulations [[Title 252, Chapter 611-3-1\(a\)](#)], is to determine whether the proposed discharge(s) will comply with the [Oklahoma Water Quality Standards](#) (WQS), and Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the CWA.

This Public Notice opens on April 26, 2024 and will close on May 27, 2024.

The City of Oklahoma City submitted an application for the placement of a 60-inch water line which will cross the unnamed tributary to Stanley Draper Lake. The repair work is covered under the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Nationwide Permit 58 (NWP58), Utility Line Activities for Water and Other Substances. Appendix A of the WQS designates Stanley Draper Lake and its watershed as a Sensitive Water Supply (SWS). For NWP58, DEQ has denied Section 401 Water Quality Certification in SWSs and requires a project-specific Section 401 Water Quality Certification.

The proposed activity includes the excavation of a trench for the placement of a 60-inch water line which will cross an unnamed tributary to Stanley Draper Lake. Following trenching, the pipe will be reburied, and a riprap blanket will be placed over the top of the pipe. The riprap blanket will extend 60-feet upstream and downstream within the stream bed to protect the water line from erosion. Any excess excavated material will be removed and placed outside of the ordinary high water mark. The proposed water line crossing is part of a larger series of proposed improvements planned in the area.

The project is located in Section 36, Township 11 North, Range 2 West, I.M, in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma.

DEQ is soliciting comments concerning water quality impacts of the project. The comments received will be considered by DEQ in issuing a Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the proposed project. Please submit your comments in writing by the end of the workday on May 27, 2024, to:

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