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PUBLIC NOTICE

July 8, 2025

The [Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality \(DEQ\)](#) has received an application for a Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Water Quality Certification (Certification) pertaining to proposed activities in the Kiamichi River in Pushmataha County. The activities require the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit under Section 404 of the CWA (Section 404 Permit). Under [Section 401 of CWA](#), the State is required to review any Federal permit regarding activities in Waters of the United States. 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 July 8, 2025, and will close on August 7, 2025.

City of Antlers submitted an application for repair and maintenance of water intake structure in the Kiamichi River in Pushmataha County. The repair work is covered under Section 404 Permit, Nationwide Permit 3 (NWP3), Maintenance. WQS designates the Kiamichi River as an Appendix B water. In December of 2020 DEQ required a project-specific WQC for NWP3 for projects in Appendix B waters.

Construction activities include removing of existing pipe and screens, installation of new ductile iron pipe, three T-screens, and a gabion basket on the lower intake pipe for protection. The existing bank of the Kiamichi River will remain as is. Potential discharge may occur at the bottom of the Kiamichi River due to removal of bottom intake pipe and screen. The work is expected to be conducted from the water with a diver.

The project is located in Section 14, Township 4 South, Range 17 East, I.M, in Pushmataha County, Oklahoma.

DEQ is soliciting comments concerning the 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 August 7, 2025, to:

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