

OPEN HOUSE & PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON THE CORRECTIVE ACTION/RISK ASSESSMENT (CARA) PLAN FOR THE TVA WATTS BAR FOSSIL PLANT

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), Division of Land Protection (DLP) Waste Management Branch (WMB) will conduct an open house and public hearing on Monday, October 26, 2026, to receive comments on the Corrective Action/Risk Assessment (CARA) Plan for the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) Watts Bar Fossil Plant near Spring City, TN. TDEC has completed its review of the submittal and found it to be acceptable.

TDEC will host an in-person open house and a hybrid public hearing on Monday, October 26, 2026, at The Spring City Police Department, located at 229 Front Street, Spring City, TN 37381. The in-person informational open house will take place from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. (Eastern Time), where the public can review and discuss the CARA Plan and other materials with TDEC and TVA representatives. **The formal hybrid public hearing will start at 6:30 p.m.**, during which TDEC will present the CARA Plan for the TVA Watts Bar Fossil Plant and accept verbal public comments.

The public hearing will be conducted in a hybrid format and include a virtual participation option via WebEx. Virtual participants will be able to view any content that will be shared and will have the opportunity to provide verbal comments. Information on how to join the public hearing virtually and to review electronic copies of the draft CARA Plan are available at <https://www.tn.gov/environment/ppo/waste.html>.

You may also call into the meeting by phone. Call (615) 747-4911, Access Code: 2313 380 6459

TDEC invites the public to review and submit comments on the CARA Plan at the hearing or anytime during the 45-day comment period ending on **Monday, November 23, 2026**. Comments on the plan can be emailed to TDEC.CCR@tn.gov. **For consideration, comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. Central on Monday, November 23, 2026.**

Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in the process may contact the DLP Human Resource (HR) liaison Rachel Meredith at (615) 532-0780 or Rachel.E.Meredith@tn.gov for any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation. Contact may be in person, by writing, telephone, or other means, and should be made no less than 10 working days to allow time to provide such aid or services. Contact the State's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator (1-866-253-5827) for further information. Hearing-impaired callers may use the Tennessee Relay Service (1-800-848-0298).

If it is hard for you to read, speak, or understand English, TDEC may be able to provide translation or interpretation services free of charge. Please contact (615) 532-0780 for more information.

If you would like to receive notices like this directly, contact the Public Participation Officer in the DLP's Central Office for a Mailing List Request Form. Email Solid.Waste@tn.gov or call (615) 552-8002.

DATE OF NOTICE: October 7, 2026