How to Access Public NPDES Records



Public records for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits are available via EPA's public-facing Enforcement and Compliance History Online (ECHO) website: (ECHO | US EPA.)

- ECHO is populated with Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) data directly reported by permit holders in EPA's NetDMR website and NPDES permit compliance and enforcement information reported by regulatory authorities in EPA's internal Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS) database.
- A detailed 3-year compliance history is displayed in the Enforcement and Compliance module on the facility page, and multiple data downloads are available in the Facility Summary module, including the CWA Pollutant Loading Report, which allows users to download DMR data, permit limits and monitoring requirements, or reported violations by monitoring year.

Public records for NPDES permits are also available on the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Water Resources (DWR) public-facing data viewers: <u>TDEC DWR Data Viewer</u>.

- Permit information, including compliance monitoring activities and non-confidential permit documents, can be queried via DWR's Permit Data Viewer (<u>DWR Permit Data Viewer</u>).
- Permit applications and Sewer Overflow Event Reports submitted electronically in MyTDEC Forms can be accessed via TDEC's DWR Permit Document Viewer (<u>DWR Permit Document Viewer</u>).

If a requestor is interested in DMR data and attachments downloaded directly from NetDMR or Monthly Operational Report (MOR) data from TDEC's internal database, please contact DWR with detailed request information, including:

- NPDES permit number (TNXXXXXXX) or Permit Type/County/Receiving Water/Watershed,
- Monitoring period range, and
- Data type (DMR or MOR data for all data or specific monitoring parameters, pollutants, DMR violations, permit schedule violations, compliance monitoring activities, enforcement actions, or DMR attachments).

A data download summary can be provided in .xlsx or another preferred format. Depending on the size and scope of the request, the Division may ask that a public records request be submitted via TDEC's Public Records Request form.

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