



Notice of Public Hearing

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
Division of Water Resources

File # **NRS25.306**

The Division will hold a public hearing to seek comment concerning an application for an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit (ARAP). The public hearing is in regard to the proposal by Fall Hollow Campground Bed and Breakfast to withdraw 25 gallons per minute (GPM) of water from an unnamed tributary of Big Swan Creek in Lewis County for drinking water supply for the campground.

Location: Hohenwald/Lewis County Chamber of Commerce
100 East Main Street
Hohenwald, TN 38462

Applicant: Noel Latus, Fall Hollow Campground Bed & Breakfast
1331 Columbia Hwy
Hohenwald, TN 38462

Date: **Tuesday, May 26, 2026**

Informational Session: **5:00 PM Central**

Public Hearing: **6:00 PM Central**

End of Comment Period **June 5, 2026**

The affected waters are designated as Exceptional Tennessee Waters (ETW). The basis for inclusion is the presence of the state threatened Saddled Madtom (*Noturus fasciatus*), it is within the Natchez Trace National Parkway and National Scenic Trail and exhibits exceptional biological diversity in Faucette Hollow.

The public notice of this project, file number NRS25.306, published March 16, 2026, can be found on the Internet at [Water Notices & Hearings](#). During the public notice period a request for a public hearing was received, along with comments concerning endangered species, competing uses of the stream, fish habitat, biodiversity, and sustainable water supply.

The permit application, supporting documentation, including detailed plans and maps, draft permit and rationale, and related comments are available for review on the internet at the Division's data viewer at [Report on Permits](#).

Prior to opening the formal public hearing, an informational session will be held. The informational session will allow participants to ask questions informally and receive input from TDEC staff. Once the formal public hearing begins, the question-and-answer format

will end, and all public comments will be collected for the hearing record without response from TDEC during the hearing.

The meeting moderator may limit the length of oral comments to allow all parties an opportunity to speak and will require that all comments be relevant to the proposed permit action and Division of Water Resources issues. If you are unable to participate in the public hearing, or otherwise wish for your comments to be read into the record, please submit them to ARAP.permits@tn.gov prior to the hearing and specifically indicate your request for the comment to read at the hearing. Please note that written comments do not need to be read at the hearing in order to be considered by TDEC.

Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings or review the file record should contact TDEC to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation. Contact may be by writing, telephone, or other means, and should be made no less than ten working days prior to the hearing to allow time to provide such aid or services. Contact the ADA Coordinator (615-532-0207) for further information. 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 Brian Canada at 615-979-1406 or Brian.Canada@tn.gov for more information.

Si le resulta difícil leer, hablar o comprender inglés, es posible que TDEC pueda proporcionarle servicios de traducción o interpretación sin cargo. Comuníquese con Brian Canada al 615-979-1406 o brian.canada@tn.gov para obtener más información.

Antidegradation

In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06), the Division has made a preliminary determination that the authorized activities will result in more than *de minimis* degradation of an Exceptional Tennessee Water (ETW) with available water withdrawal parameters and that the applicant has successfully demonstrated that greater than *de minimis* degradation is necessary to accommodate important social or economic development in the area in which the waters are located.

When the Department determines that more than *de minimis* degradation of an ETW is, or is not, necessary to accommodate important economic or social development in the area, it will issue a notice of determination by posting it on the Department's website and emailing persons who have requested to be notified of permit actions. That notice will describe the applicable procedures set forth in Rule 0400-40-03-.06(d).

For more information, please refer to Tennessee's Antidegradation Statement which is found in Chapter 0400-40-03 of the [Rules of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation](#).

Division of Water Resources
Natural Resources Unit
Davy Crockett Tower, 9th Floor
500 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37243