

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
WATER AND SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Montgomery County

Application for State Discharge Permit 24DP1055, NPDES Permit MD0051586:

WSSC Potomac Water Filtration Plant, 12200 River Road, Potomac, MD 20854 submitted to renew their application to discharge an average of 5.3 million gallons per day of backwash from cleaning treatment filters from the facility, located at 12200 River Road, Potomac, MD 20854 to the Potomac River (Use I-P waters). WSSC Potomac Water Filtration Plant processes drinking water for the surrounding area.

This facility is located on a census tract with an Environmental Justice (EJ) Score in the 3rd percentile of all tracts in Maryland. This EJ score has been calculated considering a combination of the following factors: pollution burden exposure, pollution burden environmental effects, sensitive populations, and socioeconomic indicators (<https://mdewwp.page.link/EJ>). A copy of the application may be downloaded from the Department's website at <https://mdewwp.page.link/wwportal>. At that webpage, search for State Number 24DP2560, click "More Info," and then select the desired document(s) to download.

The Department will hold a public informational meeting to discuss the application for the above discharge permit on **July 17, 2024** at **5:00 PM** at the **The informational meeting will be conducted through an online virtual platform, Google Meet, with an option to join by phone. To participate online, you must register by following the instructions on the MDE webpage at the following link:** <https://mdewwp.page.link/PublicMeetings>. Any hearing-impaired person may request an interpreter to be present at the informational meeting by giving ten working days' notice to Mr. Rice at the address or phone number listed below.

Information regarding the permit application may be reviewed by appointment by contacting Mr. Rice at (410) 537-3859 or 1-800-633-6101 or by email at **jonathan.rice@maryland.gov** or by written request to the **Maryland Department of the Environment, Water and Science Administration, 1800 Washington Blvd., Baltimore, Maryland 21230-1708, Attn.: Mr. Jonathan Rice, Chief, Industrial and General Permits Division.** Copies of documents may be procured at a cost of \$0.36 per page.

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