



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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**Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program
Notice of Proposed Permit Modification for CNX Gas Company, LLC**

Public comments on the modification will be accepted until June 21, 2019

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Mid-Atlantic Region (EPA) is proposing to modify a permit issued under the authority of the federal Underground Injection Control (UIC) regulations at 40 C.F.R. Parts 124, 144, 146, and 147 to CNX Gas Company, LLC (CNX). This modification would add two injection zones, the Lower Maxon Sandstone and the Big Lime Limestone, to CNX's existing injection well permit number VAS2970BRUS, located in Russell County, Virginia.

Description: On May 7, 2013, EPA issued a UIC permit to CNX to convert a natural gas well to a Class IID disposal well. CNX planned to inject disposal fluid into the Weir formation and close off connections to two other formations above it – Lower Maxon Sandstone and Big Lime Limestone. Attempts to plug perforations in the casing of those two previously producing formations were unsuccessful. CNX has applied to add these two additional zones to the injection permit. Based on existing rock layer protections and injection pressure limits, EPA is proposing to add the Lower Maxon and Big Lime formations to UIC permit number VAS2D970BRUS.

Opportunity for Comment: EPA is requesting comments on the proposed modification. The public comment period is limited to comments related to the addition of two injection zones to the existing permit. The administrative record for this permitting action is available for public review during normal business hours at Honaker Community Library, 10 Library Drive, Honaker, VA 24260. The original permit and the statement of basis for the permit modification are available on the Region's website at <https://www.epa.gov/va/epa-public-notices-virginia>. Send comments to:

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EPA has tentatively scheduled a hearing for June 26, 2019, at 6:00 pm, at the Southwest Virginia Community College, Cannon Hall Room B-121, 724 Community College Road, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609. EPA expressly reserves the right to cancel this hearing unless a significant degree of public interest, specific to the proposed modification to permit injection into the two additional injection zones, is evidenced by the above date. **Requests to hold a public hearing must be received by June 19, 2019.**



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