

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PERMIT AND HEARING – NOTICE OF EXTENSION

Notice Publication Date: October 7, 2024

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

This serves as notice that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, (“EPA Region 6”) is extending the public comment period for the proposed issuance of three (3) Class VI Underground Injection Control (UIC) wells to Oxy Low Carbon Ventures, LLC, under the authority of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) and UIC Program regulations [40 CFR Parts 124, 144-146]. The original comment deadline was October 7, 2024. In light of requests for extension, EPA is extending the deadline by thirty days to November 6, 2024.

As indicated in the “Public Comments” section below, all comments must be received by 11:59 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST) on November 6, 2024. Comments submitted solely to the Texas Railroad Commission under the permit notice by the state of Texas will NOT be considered by EPA Region 6.

Please note that EPA may supplement the administrative record as needed and intends to add documents to the administrative record on or about the date of publication of this extension, October 7, 2024.

PERMIT INFORMATION

The proposed Class VI permits are for three (3) Class VI injection wells (BRP CCS1, BRP CCS2, and BRP CCS3) that will be used to inject carbon dioxide for the purpose of geologic sequestration near Penwell, Ector County, Texas. The proposed permits require, among other things, that the permittee monitor the injection project and submit periodic reports to EPA Region 6. Ongoing monitoring requirements are designed to ensure protection of underground sources of drinking water.

Injection Well	Latitude/Longitude	Permit Number
BRP CCS 1	31.76479314, -102.7289311	R6-TX-135-C6-0001
BRP CCS 2	31.76993805, -102.7332448	R6-TX-135-C6-0002
BRP CCS 3	31.76031163, -102.7101566	R6-TX-135-C6-0003

Issued to:

Oxy Low Carbon Ventures, LLC
5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 110, Houston, TX 77046

PUBLIC COMMENTS

In accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 124.10, the public is invited to comment on these draft Class VI permits by:

- 1) Submitting written comments online at <https://www.regulations.gov/> under Docket #EPA-R06-OW-2024-0410.

- 2) Providing oral comments at a public hearing scheduled to occur from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST) and from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. CST on Thursday, October 3, 2024, at the MCM Elegante Hotel, 5200 East University Boulevard, Odessa, Texas 79762. Speakers will be invited to comment on a first come, first served basis dependent on the order of in-person signups. Speaking times will be limited and will be determined by the hearing officer on the day of the hearing. Pre-registration for the public hearing is not required but is requested by close of business Friday, September 27, 2024, solely so that we may ensure adequate resources are available. Note that pre-registration is NOT a guarantee of the opportunity to speak or of speaking order – this will be determined by the order and number of in-person signups. For pre-registration information as well as updated information regarding the hearing, please visit the EPA Region 6 public notice webpage at <https://www.epa.gov/tx/uic-class-vi-permit-intent-issue-oxy-low-carbon-ventures-llc>. Additionally, the public hearing will be livestreamed, but no virtual testimony will be permitted. Information on the livestream may also be found on the EPA Region 6 public notice webpage at the link above.

- 3) Sending written comments to:
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 6
Attention: Brandon Maples, MC: WDDG
1201 Elm Street, Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75270
Maples.Brandon@epa.gov
Please include the docket number (EPA-R06-OW-2024-0410) on any written comments submitted via U.S. mail or electronic mail (e-mail).

All comments received prior to the end of the comment period and at the public hearing will be considered in the formulation of any final permit determinations. Comments are given equal consideration regardless of how they are received. Note that comments **MUST be submitted to EPA Region 6** using one of the methods above to be considered as part of the permitting decision by EPA Region 6. **Comments submitted solely to the Texas Railroad Commission under the permit notice by the state of Texas will NOT be considered by EPA Region 6.**

All comments must be received by 11:59 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST) on Wednesday, November 6, 2024.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT MEETING

EPA Region 6 will hold a public engagement meeting on October 2, 2024, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. CST at the MCM Elegante Hotel, 5200 East University Boulevard, Odessa, Texas 79762. This meeting is open to the public and will provide general information on Class VI wells, the Class VI permitting process, and the proposed Class VI permits.

REASONABLE ACCOMODATIONS AND TRANSLATION SERVICES

We value inclusion and access for all participants and are pleased to provide reasonable accommodations and translation services for both the public engagement meeting and the public hearing. Please contact Brandon Maples at maples.brandon@epa.gov or 214-665-7252 to make a

reasonable accommodation request. Requests must be submitted by 4:00 p.m. CST on September 17, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling Brandon Maples at 214-665-7252, or by writing or sending an email to the addresses listed above for written comments. Additionally, permit documents and application materials are available online at <https://www.regulations.gov> under Docket #EPA-R06-OW-2024-0410 as well as on the EPA Region 6 webpage at <https://www.epa.gov/tx/uic-class-vi-permit-intent-issue-oxy-low-carbon-ventures-llc>.