

## Notice of Public Hearing for Proposed Wetland Individual Permit

Ann Sarver, authorized representative for the United States Postal Service (USPS), 6013 Benjamin Road, Suite 205, Tampa, FL 33634 has applied to the Department of Natural Resources for a permit for wetland fill or disturbance near Mitchell Field Drainage Ditch (Oak Creek).

The project is located at 2201 E. College Ave, Oak Creek, on a currently vacant 61.8-acre parcel in the Southwest corner of the intersection of E. College Ave and S. Pennsylvania Ave in the City of Oak Creek. Also described as just north of Chapel Hills Park in the NE1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 03, Township 05 North, Range 22 East, City of Oak Creek, Milwaukee County.

The proposed project involves the construction of a Mail Processing Annex and a Processing and Distribution Center for the United States Postal Service (USPS). The final proposed annex and distribution center facilities would encompass 935,000 square feet, and will have associated parking, roads, truck courts, and stormwater management areas. The department previously issued a wetland permit for a similar USPS development on the parcel in 2009 (IP-SE-2009-00159-00166), but the project never materialized, and that permit has since expired. The proposed project would result in 0.38 acres of emergent marsh wetland disturbance. Another 1.45 acres of wetlands located in the project area were determined to be exempt from state wetland regulations, from recent ACT 183 artificial and non-federal wetland exemption requests (EXE-SE-2019-41-03517, EXE-SE-2019-41-03704). The final plans and details are dated December 11, 2019 and labeled 'USPS Oak Creek Facility\_WDNR Response to Additional Information Letter\_FINAL\_Optimized'.

The Department will review the proposal provided by the applicant and any information from public comments and the public informational hearing. The Department will determine whether the proposal complies with ss. 1.11 and 281.36, 401 CWA, Stats., and ch. NR 150, Wis. Adm. Code, and ensure that the required mitigation meets the standards in s. 281.36(3r), Stats. if the project impacts wetlands.

The Department has made a tentative determination that it will issue the permit or contract for the proposed activity.

If you would like to know more about this project or would like to see the application and plans, please visit the Department's permit tracking website at <https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePages/Permit%20Search.aspx> and search for WP-IP-SE-2019-41-X09-17T08-49-02.

Reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.

The public hearing is scheduled for:

**Tuesday January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:00 PM**  
**Oak Creek Public Library -Multi-Purpose Room**  
**Drexel Town Square, 8040 S. 6th street, Oak Creek, WI 53154**

The Department scheduled a public hearing on this activity or project because the Department received a request for a public hearing. The hearing will be a public informational hearing

where members of the public can learn more about the proposed activity and submit written or oral comments about project in light of the legal standards above.

Any member of the public may submit written comments by emailing Ryan.Pappas@wisconsin.gov or writing to Ryan Pappas, 1155 Pilgrim Rd., Plymouth, WI 53073 by U.S. mail. Comments should include the docket number or applicant name, and should relate to whether the project meets the legal standards listed above. Comments must be postmarked no later than 10 days after the date that the public informational hearing is completed in order for them to be considered.

The final decision may be appealed as indicated in the permit decision document.

Docket Number IP-SE-2019-41-03268

**WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

For the Secretary



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Ryan Pappas  
Water Management Specialist

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Date