

Applying for Coverage Under DEQ's WPCF 600 General Permit

How do I obtain coverage under the WPCF 600 General Permit?

1. Complete a WPCF 600 General Permit application.
2. Submit a completed application and all applicable fees to the corresponding DEQ regional office provided on page 2. **An incomplete application or application with incorrect fee payment or unsigned will not be approved.**
3. DEQ will review the application information and take one of the following actions:
 - a. Issue written notice of assignment to the WPCF 600 General Permit. DEQ will send an assignment letter and a WPCF 600 General Permit to the applicant.
 - b. Request additional information if the information submitted is incomplete or unclear.
 - c. Deny coverage under the WPCF 600 General Permit. The applicant will be notified if the applicant's operation cannot be approved for coverage under the General Permit, and that the applicant may need to obtain an individual permit.

How long is my permit coverage valid?

Permittees registered under this General Permit can operate until the expiration date provided on the cover page of the WPCF 600 General Permit. The WPCF 600 General Permit is considered valid when the applicant receives the DEQ authorization letter and the WPCF 600 General Permit with the applicants name and DEQ permit number.

Facilities processing over 10,000 cubic yards per year of ore must apply for an individual permit in accordance with the procedures in OAR 340-045-0030. Any person not wishing to be covered or limited by this general permit may also apply for an individual permit.

What additional information is required for non-mobile facility operations?

1. The latitude and longitude of the approximate center of the facility or site in degrees/minutes/seconds. Latitude and longitude can be obtained from DEQ's location finder web site at <http://deq12.deq.state.or.us/website/findloc/> or from United States Geological Survey (USGS) quadrangle topographic maps by calling toll-free at 1-888-ASK-USGS (1-888-275-8747).
2. The Township, Range, Section, and Tax Lot or Claim numbers for the regulated site.
3. A complete Land Use Compatibility Statement (LUCS) signed by the local land use authority. The application will not be processed without evidence that the proposal is approved by the local land use authority and meets statewide planning goals. A LUCS is not required if the local land use authority provides a letter to DEQ stating that their comprehensive plan requirements do not apply to small scale mining activity.
4. A vicinity map and a copy of a USGS quadrangle map, showing the location of the operation in relation to topographic features.

FEE AND APPLICATION SUBMITTAL

A New Permit Application Fee of \$202 is required for new applicants with operations that process 1,500 cubic yards or more per year. The New Permit Application Fee must accompany the application.

No fees are required for:

- **operations that process less than 1,500 cubic yards per year, or**
- **operations that are renewing their registration under the WPCF 600 General Permit.**

Please send pages 3 through 6 of the WPCF 600 permit application to the DEQ office depending on the county of the DEQ Region where you reside (see table below). If you process less than 1,500 cubic yards per year, there is no fee. If you process 1,500 or more cubic yards per year and do not exceed 10,000 cubic yards per year, submit the \$202 new permit application fee payment with the application. Make the fee payment check or money order payable to “Department of Environmental Quality” or “DEQ”. If you have questions about your application, contact the corresponding Permit Coordinator listed below. You may contact any Permit Coordinator with general questions.

DEQ OFFICE	
DEQ Regions and Counties	Permit Coordinator
<p>Out-of-State or Northwest Region: Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Multnomah, Tillamook, Washington</p>	<p>Address: Oregon DEQ Northwest Region – Portland Office ATTN: Alice Kavajecz 2020 SW 4th Ave, #400 Portland, OR 97201 Phone: 503-229-5449 or toll-free in Oregon: 800-452-4011, ext. 5449 Email: Kavajecz.Alice@deq.state.or.us</p>
<p>Western Region: Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Jackson, Josephine, Benton, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk, Yamhill</p>	<p>Address: Oregon DEQ Western Region – Eugene Office ATTN: Kathy Jacobsen 165 E 7th Ave, Suite 100 Eugene, Oregon 97401 Phone: 541-687-7326 or toll-free in Oregon: 800-844-8467 Email: Jacobsen.Kathy@DEQ.state.or.us</p>
<p>Eastern Region: Baker, Gilliam, Grant, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wheeler, Crook, Deschutes, Harney, Hood River, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Sherman, Wasco</p>	<p>Address: Oregon DEQ Eastern Region – Pendleton Office ATTN: Jackie Ray 700 SE Emigrant, Suite 330 Pendleton, OR 97801 Phone: 541-278-4605 or toll-free in Oregon 1-800-304-3513 Email: Ray.Jackie@DEQ.state.or.us</p>

<u>DEQ USE ONLY</u>	APPLICATION FOR NEW WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITIES WPCF GENERAL PERMIT 600 Non-chemical Off-stream Small Scale Mining  Oregon Department of Environmental Quality	<u>DEQ USE ONLY</u>
_____ File Number		_____ Date Application Received
_____ Application Number		_____ Fee Payment Amount Received
_____ Permit Coverage Issuance Date		_____ Check or Money Order Number
		_____ Receipt Number

A New Permit Application Fee of \$202 must accompany this application for new applicants with operations that process 1,500 cubic yards or more per year.

New Permit Application Fee enclosed **Not applicable**

SECTION A. REFERENCE INFORMATION

1. Legal Name of Applicant: _____
2. Is the applicant the owner of the facility or operation? Yes No
3. Legal Status of Applicant: Federal State Public Private Other, specify: _____
4. Name of Facility (if different than legal name): _____

SECTION B. FACILITY CONTACTS

1. Responsible Official: _____ Telephone #: _____
Mailing Address: _____ E-Mail: _____
City, State, Zip Code: _____
2. Facility Contact: _____ Telephone #: _____
Facility Mailing Address: _____ E-Mail: _____
City, State, Zip Code: _____

SECTION C. GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PERMITS

1. Facility/operation is **mobile** (moves to different locations in the state)
2. Facility/operation is **non-mobile** (remains in the same location) *If non-mobile, you must provide all information in Section D, below.*
3. Total amount of material processed is less than 1500 cubic yards per year
4. Total amount of material processed is 1500 cubic yards or more per year *If total amount of material processed is 1500 cubic yards per year or more, you must provide the information in number 8, below.*

8. Fully describe how you plan to replace riparian vegetation that is disturbed. *(For instance, describe the type of vegetation and how much of an area will be disturbed. When will disturbed vegetation be replanted?)* Revegetation activities must be conducted on an ongoing basis. A site map illustrating the location and description of the vegetation is recommended to address this requirement. If not applicable because no riparian vegetation exists or you will not be removing riparian vegetation, please respond: "Not Applicable". **This information is only required if the total amount of material processed at your facility/operation is 1,500 cubic yards per year or more.**

SECTION D. NON-MOBILE FACILITY INFORMATION

Mobile Facilities/Operations are not required to provide the information in Section D.

Non-mobile facilities must attach a complete Land Use Compatibility Statement (LUCS) signed by the local land use authority. The application will not be processed without evidence that the proposal is approved by the local land use authority and meets statewide planning goals. A LUCS is not required if the local land use authority provides a letter to DEQ stating that their comprehensive plan requirements do not apply to small scale mining activity.

1. Physical Street Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

County:

2. Latitude: _____ degrees _____ minutes _____ seconds

Township: _____ Section: _____

Longitude: _____ degrees _____ minutes _____ seconds

Range: _____ Claim or Tax lot #: _____

3. Fully describe the location and type of operation, equipment used, and planned changes to the mining location. *(For example, will a backhoe be used and the ore processed with a trammel? How deep will the excavation be? Will holding ponds be constructed?)* **A vicinity map and a copy of a USGS quadrangle map must accompany this application, showing the location of the operation in relation to topographic features.**

SECTION E. SIGNATURE

I hereby certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Legally Authorized Representative

Title

Date

The signature of a legally authorized representative must be provided in order to process this application.

Definition of Legally Authorized Representative:

Please also provide the information requested in brackets []

- ◆ **Corporation** — president, secretary, treasurer, vice-president, or any person who performs principal business functions; or a manager of one or more facilities that is authorized in accordance to corporate procedure to sign such documents
- ◆ **Partnership** — General partner *[list of general partners, their addresses and telephone numbers]*
- ◆ **Sole Proprietorship** — Owner(s) *[each owner must sign the application]*
- ◆ **City, County, State, Federal, or other Public Facility** — Principal executive officer or ranking elected official
- ◆ **Limited Liability Company** — Member *[articles of organization]*
- ◆ **Trusts** — Acting trustee *[list of trustees, their addresses and telephone numbers]*