

PUBLIC NOTICE

Application for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination
 System (NPDES) Permit to Discharge to State Waters

Pottsville District Mining Office: District Mining Manager, 5 West Laurel Boulevard, Pottsville, PA 17901,
 Telephone: 570-621-3118.

Application No. PA 0012360, Coal NPDES Draft Permit, BET Associates IV, LLC, 1233 East Broad Street, P.O.
 Box 150, Tamaqua, PA 18252.

This facility is located in Tamaqua, Coaldale, Lansford, Summit Hill and Nesquehoning Boroughs, Schuylkill and
 Carbon County.

Description of activity: The application is for an amendment of an NPDES permit for the relocation of an
 existing mine drainage discharge.

The receiving stream, Panther Creek, is in Watershed 3A, and classified for CWF (Cold Water Fishes) and MF
 (Migratory Fishes). The nearest downstream public water supply intake for Pottstown Borough Water Authority
 is located on the Schuylkill River, approximately 68.5 miles downstream. The discharge is not expected to affect
 the water supply.

The proposed effluent limits for Outfalls 1, 3 and 4 for a combined maximum design flow of 32 MGD are:

Parameter	Average Monthly (mg/l)	Maximum Daily (mg/l)	Instantaneous Maximum (mg/l)	Mass Units Average Monthly (lbs/day)
Total Iron	1.50	3.00	3.75	180.10
Total Manganese	1.00	2.00	2.50	168.00
Total Aluminum	0.75	1.50	1.87	90.10
Total Suspended Solids	35.0	70.0	90.0	XXXX
pH	not less than 6.0 nor greater than 9.0 standard units at all times			
Alkalinity	must exceed acidity at all time			
TDS	Monitor and Report			

In addition to the effluent limits, the permit contains the following major special conditions:

Offset provisions will be incorporated into the permit for iron, manganese and aluminum mass loadings, to be
 utilized after the restoration of the Slum Creek Watershed. Slum Creek Watershed is located within the Panther
 Creek Watershed.

You may make an appointment to review the DEP files on this case by calling the File Review Coordinator at
 570-621-3118.

The EPA waiver is not in effect.

The Panther Creek Watershed TMDL Schuylkill and Carbon County, originally approved by USEPA in July,
 2002, has been revised to reflect the resumed pumping and associated discharge in the Panther Creek watershed.

The data and all supporting documentation used to develop the proposed TMDLs are available
 from the Department. To request a copy of the proposed TMDL, contact:

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TMDL Development Section
Watershed Protection Division
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
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Harrisburg, PA 17105-8774
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The TMDLs can be accessed through the DEP Website (<http://www.dep.state.pa.us>) by clicking on the Water Topics Link, then the TMDL link. Please note that attachments and appendices must be requested through paper mail. Persons with a disability may use the AT&T Relay Service by calling 1-800-654-5984 (TDD users) or 1-800-654-5988 (voice users) and request that the call be relayed. Any person wishing to attend the meeting should contact Bill Brown at the above addresses.

Written and Email comments will be accepted at the above addresses and must be received by July 23, 2012. Comments will not be accepted by facsimile or voice mail. The Department will consider all comments in developing the final TMDL, which will be submitted to EPA for approval.