

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), under authority granted by the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, M.G.L. c. 21, §§ 26 – 53, and the implementing regulations at 314 CMR 3.00 and 4.00, is proposing to: (1) issue a federal Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) proposed 2025 Draft NPDES Permit (Federal Permit) (MA Permit No. MA0004936) to Patriot Beverages, LLC for their Littleton facility's pollutant discharges to the unnamed tributary to Reedy Meadow Brook (MA 84B-01); and (2) issue the 2025 Draft Massachusetts Surface Water Discharge Permit (SWDP) for the same discharge pursuant to the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act. Patriot Beverages LLC is located at 25 Copeland Drive, Ayer, Massachusetts 01432 and the Patriot Beverages Facility is located at 20 Harvard Road, Littleton, Massachusetts 01833. The proposed WQC, proposed SWDP, and proposed Federal Permit are all available at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massdep-permits-approvals-for-comment>. Alternatively, a copy of the documents can be obtained by contacting Xiaodan Ruan, MassDEP Surface Water Discharge Program, at 857-256-4172 or at [xiaodan.ruan@mass.gov](mailto:xiaodan.ruan@mass.gov).

Written comments on both the proposed WQC and the proposed SWDP will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on End date of June 20, 2025. MassDEP strongly encourages written comments to be submitted by email to [massdep.publiccommentnpdes@mass.gov](mailto:massdep.publiccommentnpdes@mass.gov); subject line: Patriot Beverages. If not possible, please send by mail to MassDEP NPDES Program, C/o Xiaodan Ruan, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114.

Following the close of the comment period, MassDEP will issue a final WQC and final SWDP and forward copies to the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice. The final determination will contain information regarding the opportunity to file an adjudicatory appeal pursuant to 310 CMR 1.01. Information regarding intervention and participation can be found at 310 CMR 1.01(7).

For special accommodations, please call the MassDEP Diversity Office at 617-292-5751. TTY# MassRelay Service 1-800-439-2370. This information is available in alternate format upon request.

By Order of the Department

Bonnie Heiple, Commissioner