

## 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 2026 Draft NPDES Permit (Federal Permit) (MA Permit No. MA0003531) to Bird, Incorporated d/b/a CertainTeed (CertainTeed) for the Norwood facility's pollutant discharges to the Neponset River (MA 73-01); and (2) issue the 2026 Draft Massachusetts Surface Water Discharge Permit (SWDP) for the same discharges pursuant to the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act. CertainTeed is located at 1077 Pleasant Street, Norwood, Massachusetts. The proposed WQC, proposed SWDP, and a link to the 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 Samuel Ashbrook, MassDEP Surface Water Discharge Program, at 857-278-2231 or at [samuel.ashbrook@mass.gov](mailto:samuel.ashbrook@mass.gov).

Written comments on both the proposed WQC and the proposed SWDP will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on February 23, 2026. MassDEP strongly encourages written comments to be submitted by email to [massdep.publiccommentnpdes@mass.gov](mailto:massdep.publiccommentnpdes@mass.gov); subject line: CertainTeed. If not possible, please send by mail to MassDEP NPDES Program, c/o Samuel Ashbrook, 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