



CUSTOM SEP APPLICATION

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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RESPONDENT INFORMATION

Type of SEP Project	Collection	Water	Wastewater	Habitat	Other
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Date	TCEQ Docket No. 2016-1986-MLM-E
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Name of Applicant	Hidalgo County (Legal Name of Applicant or Organization)
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Name of the Facility	Hidalgo County Precinct 1 Brush Site
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E-Mail Address	martin.ramirez@co.hidalgo.tx.us	Street Address	From FM 88 go west on Mile 20 Road and 7/10 miles north on Mile 5 1/2 near Monte Alto, TX
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City	Monte Alto	ZIP Code	78538	County	Hidalgo
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Contact Person (Name of person to call for questions) Martin Ramirez Telephone 956-2929-7000 ext 4082 Email martin.ramirez@co.hidalgo.tx.us	Enforcement Coordinator Name James Baldwin Phone Number 512-239-1337 SEP Coordinator (Name & telephone of SEP coordinator) Sarah Miller (512) 239-0622
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Project Coordinator (Name and contact information for person responsible for oversight of project): Martin Ramirez Telephone 956-292-7000 ext 4082 Email martin.ramirez@co.hidalgo.tx.us
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NATURE OF VIOLATION / PROBLEM

Nature of the Enforcement Action (Provide a summary of the enforcement action being taken against the facility so that TCEQ can evaluate the appropriateness of the project in relation to the violation.)

Hidalgo County Precinct 1 operates a brush collection site with an air curtain incinerator for use by its residents. The violations resulting in the enforcement action are: failure to conduct annual opacity test, outdoor burning of brush, unauthorized disposal of municipal solid waste at site, and failure to pay air emission fees for the incinerator.

Penalty Amount \$ 6440.00	SEP Amount \$ 6440.00
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DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED SEP

Project Name	Septic Tank System for Delta Lake Park
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Description of the proposed SEP and How the Project Will Be Implemented (Include photographs and maps, if needed; describe the need for the project and provide details on how the project will be implemented)

Hidalgo County leases land from the Delta Lake Irrigation District for use as a county park located at 28312 FM 88, Monte Alto, TX 78538. The park has a waste water treatment plant that is expensive to maintain and has had various compliance issues. An enforcement action resulted because of failure to renew the permit to discharge. The new permit application is being reviewed technically by the Water Quality Permits Division, but will require additional improvements to the outfall as required by TXDOT. However, the county wants to discontinue use of the plant and replace its function with a septic tank system.

Project Schedule NOTE: Project implementation may commence prior to approval by the Commission of the agreed order that includes the SEP (1) if Respondent qualifies pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE §§ 7.067 (a-1)(2) or (a-1)(1) and (a-2), and (2) once an agreed order has been proposed.

Schedule for CUSTOM SEP	Schedule for 90-day COMPLIANCE SEP	SPECIAL CONDITONS
<p>Notice of Commencement Due 30 days after approval</p> <p>1st Progress Report: Due 90 days after commencement</p> <p>2nd Progress Report: Due 180 days after commencement</p> <p>3rd Progress Report: Due 270 days after commencement</p> <p>End of Project: Due 365 days after commencement</p> <p>FINAL REPORT: Due 60 days after completion</p>	<p>Notice of Commencement 30-days after approval</p> <p>1st Progress Report: 60-days after commencement</p> <p>End of Project: 90-days after commencement</p> <p>FINAL REPORT: Due 30 days after completion</p>	

Reporting and Frequency
(Be sure to identify the person responsible for reporting to the TCEQ.)

I agree to the reporting schedule stated above. I will provide progress reports on a timely basis and will provide the required documentation as stated in the SEP Attachment A.

Name of Person Responsible for reporting to TCEQ: Martin Ramirez

Contact phone number: 956-292-7000 ext 4082

Email address: martin.ramirez@co.hidalgo.tx.us

Signature of Person Responsible for Reporting to TCEQ

Date

EXPECTED ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT

Explain in as much detail as possible the expected environmental benefits of this project and quantify the environmental benefits to the extent practical. Even if the benefits seem obvious (e.g. reducing pollution), you still must clearly state how the implementation of the SEP project will result in measurable environmental benefits.

For pollution prevention or reduction projects - Quantify the amount of each pollutant that is expected to be reduced beyond the level required for environmental compliance.

For all other types of projects - Quantify the number of participants, programs offered, sites cleaned, types of contamination contained/removed, acres restored or affected, etc.

The replacement of the waste water treatment for the park would be benefit the environment since its treated effluent has been released to TXDOT right of way and into a drainage ditch owned by the Delta Lake Irrigation District and onto the Laguna Madre. The septic tank system would pose a lesser impact to the environment.

FINANCIAL GAIN

Do you anticipate any financial return on the project? Y/ N

PREVIOUS COMMITMENT CERTIFICATION: NO SEPARATE REQUIREMENT OR PRIVATE COMMITMENTS

Please check the applicable box and certify to the applicable certification statement below:

I certify on behalf of the Respondent, that the Respondent has not previously committed to perform this project including a previous obligation to complete the proposed SEP:

1. under any applicable local, state, or federal regulations that would require implementation of this project or any part of this project; or
2. as a part of:
 - a. a pollution prevention commitment identified in an agreement developed pursuant to any of the state's prevention programs;
 - b. a commitment made under the Clean Texas Program; or
 - c. the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Project XL or any other incentive or regulatory flexibility program.

(Visit http://www.tceq.texas.gov/p2/pollution_prevention.html for links and information about the state's pollution prevention programs)

Certification statement: Please accept this implementation plan for the SEP as a certification that (1) the information is true and correct and (2) the proposed project is being undertaken solely as part of the settlement of the enforcement action.

Signature, Title

Printed Name and Title

Date

If Respondent has previously committed to perform this project as described above, please provide in the space below information regarding (1) the date the Respondent previously committed to perform the project, and (2) a summary of the project that Respondent previously committed to.

1. _____

2. _____

Certification statement: Please accept this implementation plan for the SEP as a certification that (1) the information is true and correct and (2) the proposed project is being undertaken solely as part of the settlement of the enforcement action.

Signature, Title

Printed Name and Title

Date

FUNDING CERTIFICATION: NO PRIOR MONETARY COMMITMENTS OR SEPARATE FUNDING

I certify on behalf of the Respondent, that no funding has been budgeted for the project prior to the approval of the SEP by the TCEQ. In addition, I certify on behalf of the Respondent, that the project will not receive duplicative funding by grants or donations from any source for the authorized project expenditures as detailed within the SEP Attachment A.,

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Signature and Title

Printed Name and Title

Date