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<p><b>Under 4.115(g)(2) Schedule B authorized pits are required to maintain the required freeboard, which includes precipitation into the pit. However, with the requirement under 4.115(g)(3) the pit is also required to be designed and constructed to prevent non-contact stormwater runoff from entering the pit. Therefore, the diffuse surface runoff volume into an authorized Schedule B pit, should be none. Is there an additional requirement for Schedule B pits in relation to quantification and allowance for stormwater freeboard?</b></p>	<p>Yes, in §4.115(h)(1) Freeboard of at least two feet plus capacity to contain the volume of precipitation from a 25-year, 24-hour rainfall event shall always be maintained in produced water recycling pits.</p>
<p><b>We have an additional question that was not addressed on the webinar today with regards to the location requirements for Schedule B Produced Water Recycling Pits. The requirement under 4.115(f)(4) to be 300 feet away from any domestic water well or irrigation water well, other than a well that supplies water for drilling or workover operations or any other process for which the pit is authorized. There are instances in which Murphy drills a water well with the intent to source water from the well to the pit, my understanding of the rule is that is allowable to be within 300 feet. However, if at a later date the ownership of that well is relinquished to the landowner for use, does that void the exception allowance for the well?</b></p>	<p>The domestic well is already in place and you must place the pit 300 feet away from the existing domestic well. The operator obtains rights to a well to supply your permitted pit or drill a well to supply your permitted pit. If the exception allowance is distance, then the pit was there first and the well can be closer to the pit than 300 feet. If I understand that the exception allowance as unlimited production of groundwater from a well used for drilling or completion purposes compared to the operator relinquishing the well to the landowner, then the operator would need to buy the water from the landowner with the landowner under the rules of a groundwater conservation district or if no district coverage, then the landowner can sell the operator any amount of groundwater from that well.</p>

<p><b>Will there be recordings of the webinars that we can watch after the fact?</b></p>	<p>The RRC Communications department will be posting the webinar series to the website soon. (Update: Webinar 1 video: <a href="https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q">https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q</a>; Webinar video: <a href="#">(103) EPS Webinar 2 Authorized Pits 04 09 2025 - YouTube</a>; Upcoming Webinars: <a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/</a>)</p>
<p><b>Is there a web site location that I can review the current authorized pits by operator number?</b></p>	<p>No, this is not a functionality that is available on the RRC EPS website.</p>
<p><b>How is treated produced water (vs raw produced water) defined under the new rule?</b></p>	<p>DIVISION 2. DEFINITIONS 10 §4.110. Definitions, (73) Produced water--The water that was present in a subsurface formation and was brought to the surface during oil and gas exploration and production activities (raw produced water). §4.110. Definitions, (92) Treated fluid--Fluid oil and gas waste that has been treated to remove impurities such that the fluid can be reused or recycled. Treated fluid that is abandoned or disposed of is classified as an oil and gas waste. Once treated fluid is reused or recycled, it is not classified as an oil and gas waste (can be treated produced water).</p>
<p><b>Does the RRC know how operators should/ would register pits without a drill permit associated with that pit location?</b></p>	<p>§4.113. Authorized Pits, (e) The operator shall register all authorized pits with the Commission. (1) The Director shall establish a registration system for authorized pits by July 1, 2025. (A) New authorized pits constructed after July 1, 2025 shall register by <b>mailing or emailing to Technical Permitting</b> the registration form established by the Commission. (B) By July 1, 2027, the Director will establish an online system for operators to register and for the Commission to maintain a record of</p>

	<p>authorized pits.</p> <p>(C) The operator of an authorized pit shall register the pit <b>using the online registration system once it is established by the Director.</b></p> <p>(Update: Authorized Pits are defined by the type of oil and gas fluids or waste placed into the pit. The timing of said placement also matters. Example, reserve pits are used in conjunction with a drilling rig. Ensure that the pit type the operator is considering using aligns with the definitions in rule. If not a permit must be obtained through an application at the Austin office.)</p>
<p><b>Will there be a different/distinct process for closure requirements of makeup water pits, as operators traditionally keep these open for extended periods of time for future asset development? Majority of pits in this scenario have long term surface owner agreements in place.</b></p>	<p>§4.114. Schedule A Authorized Pits. (3) Schedule A pit closure. A person who maintains or uses a reserve pit, mud circulation pit, makeup water pit, fresh mining water completion/workover pit, or water condensate pit shall ensure closure activities do not increase the potential for pollution.</p> <p>(A) Schedule A pits</p> <p>(i) Reserve pits, and mud circulation pits, and <b>makeup water pits</b> which contain fluids with a chloride concentration of 6,100 mg/liter or less and fresh makeup water pits shall be dewatered, backfilled, and compacted within one year of cessation of drilling operations.</p> <p>(ii) Reserve pits, and mud circulation pits, and <b>makeup water pits</b> which contain fluids with a chloride concentration in excess of 6,100 mg/liter shall be dewatered within 30 days and backfilled and compacted within one year of cessation of drilling operations.</p>
<p><b>What are the sampling requirements for TDS and chlorides? For existing makeup water pits that have continued use for completion operations, is there an annual sampling frequency?</b></p>	<p>No sampling requirements or frequency of sampling, just to distinguish if the makeup water is either above or below 6,100 mg/l chlorides.</p>

<p><b>Would you be able to provide me the link where the April 2nd Chapter 4 webinar PowerPoint slides will be uploaded?</b></p>	<p>The RRC Communications department will be posting the webinar series to the website soon.          (Update: Webinar 1 video: <a href="https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q">https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q</a>; Webinar video: <a href="#">(103) EPS Webinar 2 Authorized Pits 04 09 2025 - YouTube</a>;          Upcoming Webinars:  <a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/</a>)</p>
<p><b>Has EPS determine, under the new Chapter 4 rules, if permits within an expiration date would now expire? I had an operator call in with a question in regards to the new rules for Chapter 4, subchapter A. They have a pit permit that was issued under the previous SWR 3.8 and did not previously have a permit expiration term. Under the new rules, would they be subject to a 5 year term limit as described in 4.121(a)? Or would the permit stay valid indefinitely until they needed to make a transfer or amendment to their active permit?</b></p>	<p>It depends and is based on the following information:          If the company has a name change only, no change the permit will remain issued in perpetuity.          If the company changes, then the transfer is subject to a 5-year term.          An amendment request would also cause the permit to be subject to a 5-year term.</p>
<p><b>I was made aware of a waste disposal profile requirement for oilfield waste as of June 2025. I am curious if this is valid, and if so, what are the details of the requirements.</b></p>	<p>Yes, the adopted changes to Chapter 4 will require “A generator of any waste subject to Commission jurisdiction shall document the waste characterization by completing and retaining a Waste Profile Form that documents the characteristics of each waste stream generated.”</p> <p>The Waste Profile Form has not yet been finalized and additional guidance will be provided at a later date. The adopted rule includes requirements for the new Form as follows:</p> <p>(1) A Waste Profile Form shall be made available by the Commission or an operator may use its own form that includes at least the following information for each oil and gas waste stream:          (A) the generator name and P-5 operator number, including the contact information of the person preparing the waste profile;</p>

	<p>(B) a generator-assigned identifier (name and/or number) specific to the generated waste;</p> <p>(C) a description of the waste, including physical and chemical characteristics and constituents;</p> <p>(D) the basis for the characterization, which shall be made in accordance with §4.102(a) of this title (relating to Responsibility for Oil and Gas Wastes); and</p> <p>(E) other information pertinent to characterization.</p> <p>(2) A generator may establish standard waste profiles for common types of oil and gas waste that are often found at oil and gas sites, such as spent water-based drilling mud, oil-based cuttings, oil-contaminated soil, domestic septage, and rubbish.</p> <p>(3) A generator of waste that chooses to dispose of or recycle such waste shall provide the Waste Profile Form to the waste hauler and receiver.</p> <p>(4) The receiver of the oil and gas waste shall include the waste profile information in the periodic reporting requirements as described in the facility permit conditions.</p> <p>The Chapter 4 rules adopted 12/17/2024 do not take effect until July 1, 2025; please refer to the Proposed Rules page for more information. Proposed Rule page – <a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/general-counsel/rules/proposed-rules/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/general-counsel/rules/proposed-rules/</a></p> <p>Chapter 4, adoption published in Texas Registra - <a href="https://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/archive/January32025/Adopted%20Rules/16.ECONOMIC%20REGULATION.html#31">https://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/archive/January32025/Adopted%20Rules/16.ECONOMIC%20REGULATION.html#31</a></p>
<p><b>Reference to Chapter 4, Division 3, Schedule B Authorized Pits. Certain produced water recycling pits (previously authorized as NCFR pits under SWR 3.8 required a permit via the Form H-11 process). Because they will be authorized by rule under Chp 4, will the H-11 permits be superseded and cancelled?</b></p>	<p>All authorized pits under Division 3 will require registration with Technical Permitting. We are working on a form that will be available for July 1, 2025.</p> <p>Additional information on Authorized Pits will be discussed in an upcoming webinar on April 9, 2025. This will be the second, in a series of four webinars, that begin next Wednesday. Additional information on the webinars including links for registration are pasted (from the</p>

NTO online) below for your convenience.

**Notice to Operators: Oil & Gas Waste Management**

RRC to Host Webinars on Chapter 4 Rules and Form Revisions

March 18, 2025

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Each session will be 90 minutes. Operators are encouraged to email your Chapter 4 questions to [askaboutchptr4@rrc.texas.gov](mailto:askaboutchptr4@rrc.texas.gov) before the scheduled webinars. The last 30 minutes of each session will be open to

	<p>answer those questions and any others.</p> <p>Training on guidance and forms are proposed for May and June 2025, as referenced in the Proposed Implementation Timeline on our <a href="#">Environmental Permits web pages</a>.</p> <p>(Update: The email address regarding Chapter 4 has been updated: <a href="mailto:EPSch4@rrc.texas.gov">EPSch4@rrc.texas.gov</a>)</p>
<p><b>Are there going to be in-person options for attending the sessions? Or do those not start until May?</b></p>	<p>The first scheduled in person event, as it stands right now, will be the RRC Regulatory Conference in July at Kalahari. The webinars are virtual.</p>
<p><b>I'm signed up for the webinars related to rule 4. I wanted to know if there were any documents, really the guidance documents specifically, related to it that were available to view.</b></p>	<p>EPS is developing powerpoint slides for each of the four webinars and draft forms. However, we are still in process of finalization.</p> <p>(Update: Webinar 1 video: <a href="https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q">https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q</a>; Webinar video: <a href="#">(103) EPS Webinar 2 Authorized Pits 04 09 2025 - YouTube</a>;</p> <p>Upcoming Webinars:  <a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/</a></p> <p>At this time a guidance document is in draft but the RRC does not have a date of completion set yet. Once this document is available it will be posted online for operators to be able to utilize alongside the newly adopted rules.)</p>
<p><b>Now that the rule is approved is there a version that doesn't have all the strikes and commission notes? The 200+ page document is overwhelming that I saw in previous notifications. Thank you as I've tried looking before for the final approved rule.</b></p>	<p>I am unable to locate a clean copy without the strikeouts. The Commission will be hosting public outreach (virtually) and I have provided additional information below. I hope you find this helpful.</p> <p>The Commission has posted a Notice to Operators (NTO) on our main webpage which I have linked below that will provide details for four (4) upcoming webinars on Chapter 4.</p>

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<p><b>Can you please explain what the rules will be regarding "financial assurance" for produced water pits. How much is enough money? How will that be determined? Will we need to prove asset levels and/or liquidity? Will there need to be annual or other future proof points that the resources remain in place? Etc.</b></p>	<p>Thank you for reaching out. We are working to create these processes to be in place by July 1<sup>st</sup> for Authorized Pits. I hope the information below helps provide information necessary:</p> <p>The operator has several choices found in the Chapter 4 rules and the determination of financial assurance will follow the 16 TAC, Chapter 4 rules adopted by the Railroad Commissioners with an effective date of July 1, 2025. The operators financial security will be held contingent upon the operators closing of the pit(s), RRC approval to release the operator's money, and the RRC releasing the financial security back to the operator.</p> <p>The Railroad Commission (RRC) webpage for the new rules for Chapter 4 rules can be found here:  <a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/general-counsel/rules/proposed-rules/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/general-counsel/rules/proposed-rules/</a></p> <p>Some helpful hints on these rules as it relates to your inquiry:</p> <p>The words "produced water pits" are equivalent to a "Produced Water Recycling Pit" found in Chapter 4, Division 2, §4.110. Definitions, (75) definition of a Produced Water Recycling Pit.</p> <p>Note: §4.115 (d) Non-commercial fluid recycling pits that were authorized pursuant to and compliant with §3.8 of this title (relating to Water Protection) as that rule existed prior to July 1, 2025 are authorized as Produced Water Recycling pits under this section, provided the operator registers the pit and files the required financial security assurance by 25 January 1, 2026.</p> <p>§4.115 identifies a Produced Water Recycling Pit as a Schedule B Authorized Pit.</p> <p>§4.115 (c) identifies the financial security requirements of a Produced Water Recycling Pit.</p> <p>§4.115 (c)(1) requires the Produced Water Recycling Pit operator to maintain a performance bond or other form of financial security conditioned upon the operator closing the Produced Water Recycling</p>

	<p>Pit following Chapter 4 rules.</p> <p>§4.115 (c)(2) requires that for each Produced Water Recycling Pit, an operator will file either a blanket performance bond or a letter of credit or cash deposit in the same amount as required for a blanket performance bond to satisfy financial security.</p> <p>§4.115 (c)(3) requires an operator to file one of the following types and amounts of financial security where:</p> <p>(A) A person operating five or less pits may file a performance bond, letter of credit, or cash deposit in an amount equal to \$1.00 per barrel of total pit capacity or</p> <p>(B) A person operating more than five pits may file a performance bond, letter of credit, or cash deposit in an amount equal to:</p> <p>(i) the greater of \$1.00 per barrel of water for ten percent of an operator's total produced water recycling pit capacity or \$1,000,000 or</p> <p>(ii) \$200,000 per pit, capped at \$5,000,000.</p>
<p><b>We are about to break ground on an NCFR Pit that has an exterior wall at 2:1 slope that is already planned and paid for. This is standard for our NCFR pits in the past but we understand there is regulation going into affect 07/01/2025 that would make any pits moving forward have walls at a minimum of 3:1. Are we okay to move forward with this pit as it is designed as it would be built and in service prior to 07/01/2025?</b></p>	<p>The §4.115. Schedule B Authorized Pits, (d) Non-commercial fluid recycling pits authorized prior to July 1, 2025.</p> <p>Non-commercial fluid recycling pits that were authorized pursuant to and compliant with §3.8 of this title (relating to Water Protection) as that rule existed prior to July 1, 2025 are authorized as produced water recycling pits under this section, provided the operator registers the pit and files the required financial security assurance by January 1, 2026 -</p> <p>§4.115. Schedule B Authorized Pits,(d) rule supports the above statement.</p> <p>The applicant is authorized to use the non-commercial produced water recycle pit, by rule 8, up until July 1, 2025. After July 1, 2025 the produced water recycle pit becomes a fluid recycling pit.</p> <p>If the pre-built before July 1, 2025, and the pit is causing pollution, then the pit will be brought back into compliance or will be closed according to Division 3 - §4.113. Authorized Pits, (c)(1).</p>

	<p>By January 1, 2026, an operator of a non-commercial fluid recycling pit shall register the pit as a produced water recycling pit according to subsection (e) of this section and file the required financial security according to §4.115 of this title (relating to Schedule B Authorized Pits) - §4.113. Authorized Pits, (3)(A)..... or close the pit according to Division 3 - §4.113. Authorized Pits, (3)(B)</p> <p>At the time of closure, authorized pits shall be closed according to Division 3 - §4.113. Authorized Pits, (3)(A).</p> <p>The rules below supporting the above statement:</p> <p>§4.113. Authorized Pits,</p> <p>(c) An authorized pit that was constructed pursuant to and compliant with §3.8 of this title (relating to Water Protection) as that rule existed prior to July 1, 2025, is authorized to continue to operate subject to the following:</p> <p>(1) Authorized pits that cause pollution shall be brought into compliance with or closed according to this division.</p> <p>(2) By July 1, 2026, basic sediment pits, flare pits, and other unpermitted pits not authorized by this section shall be:</p> <p>(A) permitted according to this subchapter; or</p> <p>(B) closed according to this division.</p> <p>(3) By January 1, 2026, an operator of a non-commercial fluid recycling pit shall:</p> <p>(A) register the pit as a produced water recycling pit according to subsection (e) of this section and file the required financial security according to §4.115 of this title (relating to Schedule B Authorized Pits); or</p> <p>(B) close the pit according to this division.</p> <p>(4) At the time of closure, authorized pits shall be closed according to this division.</p>
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<p><b>Reaching out to request the video recording for this last webinar, Chapter 4-Authorized Pits. I take good notes, but the presenter went a bit fast on a few important topics, and I want to ensure I have not missed anything. FYI, the Ask about chpt 4 email is not working</b></p>	<p>The recording is in post-processing now and will be posted online to the same location as Webinar 1 which can be found under the O&amp;G training resources here:</p> <p><a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/workshops-and-conferences/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/workshops-and-conferences/</a></p> <p>Thank you for the feedback on Webinar 2 and email inbox (I am working to get the inbox address corrected).</p> <p>(Update: Webinar 1 video: <a href="https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q">https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q</a>; Upcoming Webinars: <a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/</a>;</p>

	<p>The email address regarding Chapter 4 has been updated:  <a href="mailto:EPSch4@rrc.texas.gov">EPSch4@rrc.texas.gov</a>)</p>
<p><b>I think I missed if a freshwater pit is designated as Schedule A or B?</b>  <b>And to confirm, schedule A and Schedule B pits both need to complete the registration process. (Form to follow soon).</b></p>	<p>Schedule B Pits are used for management of produced water and other aqueous fluid wastes produced from a wellbore during oil and gas exploration and production activities. Schedule A pits include fresh mining water pits. Fresh mining water pits are used in conjunction with a brine mining injection well for storage of fresh water used for the solution mining of brine. All authorized pits (Schedule A and B) must be registered with the Commission. The forms to register said pits will be available soon.</p>
<p><b>I was wondering if there were any PowerPoint slides available regarding the new rules. I wasn't able to attend the recent webinars.</b></p>	<p>The Communications Division is working on the post processing of the second webinar for Authorized Pits. When they have completed their processing, it will be posted to the O&amp;G training site here along with the first webinar which is an overview:</p> <p><a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/workshops-and-conferences/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/workshops-and-conferences/</a></p> <p>The third and fourth webinars in the series will be presented on April 30th and May 7th, respectively. Please note that the email has updated for Chapter 4 questions <a href="mailto:EPSch4@rrc.texas.gov">EPSch4@rrc.texas.gov</a>.</p> <p>(Update: Webinar 1 video: <a href="https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q">https://youtu.be/N5fPa4Oqr1Q</a>; Webinar video: <a href="#">(103) EPS Webinar 2 Authorized Pits 04 09 2025 - YouTube</a>; Upcoming Webinars: <a href="https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/">https://www.rrc.texas.gov/announcements/041025-webinars-on-chapter-4-rules-and-form-revisions/</a>)</p>
<p><b>Please let me know if the slides from the April 2nd meeting will be forwarded to the attendees. Thanks.</b></p>	
<p><b>Hi, we were signed up for today's webinar and when we signed on nobody was there and we couldn't hear anything. Will today's training be posted for review? Thank you</b></p>	
<p><b>Are the pit rules webinars being recorded? We miss the one today and would like to review it.</b></p>	
<p><b>Is there anywhere this Webinar will be Archived for those of us who could not attend?</b></p>	

<p>Can you advise when the powerpoint slides for the 4/2/25 session will be available and which website will have these slides? Thank you.</p>	
<p>Checking to see if the slide packs and speakers notes are available on your website? From the first session, it sounded like they would be but haven't come across them online. Please advise. Thanks!</p>	
<p>I was unable to attend Session 2: Authorized Pits hosted on April 9. Will the recording and the presentation slides be uploaded to the RRC website?</p> <p>If they have already been uploaded, I have not been able to find them yet. Could you please send me a link to them if they've already been added?</p>	
<p>Are these slides available for the authorized pit presentation? I usually take screenshots during the presentation, but I didn't this time because I was too busy writing!</p>	
<p>Will there be recordings of the webinars that we can watch after the fact?</p>	
<p>Will previously permitted Div 6 commercial recycle facilities be allowed to transfer to registered pit(s) - assuming the facility has no other waste mgmt units permitted under Div 4?</p>	<p>You are correct, a division 6 permit, without any other permitted activities, can be a Schedule B authorized pit.</p> <p>The webinar overview is posted here and the authorized pits will follow once post-processing is complete:</p>



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<p><b>It is my understanding that a profile is needed for “non haz nonexempt waste” but exempt waste streams will not need a profile. Will this still be the case?</b></p>	<p>Simple answer.....nonexempt waste and exempt oil &amp; gas waste will need a profile.</p> <p>Fun fact.....Exempt Oil and Gas Waste is exempt from the RCRA rules and is the Oil and Gas Waste that EPS permits.</p> <p>§4.191. Oil and Gas Waste Manifests.</p> <p>(a) Oil and gas waste that is transported by vehicle from the lease, unit, or other oil or gas property or facility where it is generated to an off-lease facility that manages oil and gas waste shall:</p> <p>(1) be accompanied by a paper manifest that meets the requirements of this section; or</p> <p>(2) be documented and tracked by an electronic manifest system that meets the requirements of this section and is accessible to the Commission and all parties involved in the management of the waste.</p>
<p><b>When profiling waste streams into our facility, we use the attached Profile. Does this suffice for what y’all are wanting?</b></p>	<p>The simple answer.....Chapter 4, §4.191 (b) provides that operators may use the (upcoming) standard oil and gas manifest established by the Commission or operators may use their own forms provided they meet at least the requirements found in §4.191 (b)(1)(2A-D)&amp;(3-9).</p> <p>To the EPS email group-Chip’s waste profile form was not attached but here is the §4.191 (b)(1)(2A-D)&amp;(3-9) rule he needs to follow for his own form from the simple answer to his 2nd question:</p> <p>§4.191. Oil and Gas Waste Manifests.</p> <p>(b) The Commission shall establish a standard oil and gas waste</p>

	<p>manifest that may be used in Texas, or operators may use their own forms provided they include at least the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) identity of the waste generator, including operator name, Commission-issued operator number, and detailed contact information;</li> <li>(2) identity of the property or facility where the oil and gas waste was generated, using Commission-issued identifiers including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(A) operator name and Commission-assigned operator number of the generator;</li> <li>(B) lease name and Commission-assigned lease number;</li> <li>(C) facility name and Commission-assigned number, or the latitude and longitude of the waste origin if a Commission-assigned identifier is not available; and</li> <li>(D) county name;</li> </ul> </li> <li>(3) the corresponding waste profile identifier prepared by the generator as required in §4.190 of this title (relating to Oil and Gas Waste Characterization and Documentation);</li> <li>(4) identity of the facility to which the oil and gas waste is delivered including the identifier issued by the appropriate regulatory agency and detailed contact information for the facility;</li> <li>(5) transporter name and waste hauler permit number with driver signature;</li> <li>(6) type and volume of oil and gas waste transported;</li> <li>(7) date of shipment;</li> <li>(8) name and signature of generator; and</li> <li>(9) date of acceptance with waste receiver signature.</li> </ul>
<p><b>For the Schedule B pits, Adrian said that a letter of credit can be accepted for financial assurance. Can you please explain how that works?</b></p> <p><b>Where can we pull the data for 25 year 24 hour rainfall events in our local area?</b></p>	<p>You will need to contact the RRC P-5 financial assurance for more information on what is an acceptable letter of credit. You may email your "what is an acceptable letter of credit" question to: P5@rrc.texas.gov</p> <p>The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) website has a data chart for the 25-year/24-hour rainfall events and is located here: <a href="https://hdsc.nws.noaa.gov/pfds/?bkmrk=tx">https://hdsc.nws.noaa.gov/pfds/?bkmrk=tx</a> .....follow this</p>

<p><b>What would a large freshwater (no produced water) frac pit be considered? It would be a large volume and long term pit, but not be an NCFR. In some of our west TX acreage, there is very little produced water, and we are forced to frac with fresh water. Pit's can be as small as 100,000 bbls up to 1,000,000 bbls.</b></p>	<p>website and select Texas on the US interactive map. This will take you to a map of Texas with a red cross hair. Click and drag the red crosshair to a point in Texas you wish to view the various rainfall events. Click the crosshair again and the table below the Texas map will reset to that location.</p> <p>In Division 2, Definitions, §4.110, (55) Makeup water pit--A pit used in conjunction with a drilling rig, completion operations, or a workover for storage of water used to make up drilling fluid or completion fluid.</p> <p>The makeup water pit is an authorized pit under §4.113. Authorized Pits and §4.114. Schedule A Pits with closure requirements that are found in §4.114 (3),(A)(i-v) (B-D).</p>
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