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## News Release

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### Ohio EPA to Hold Hearing on Application for Wastewater Discharge to Whitewater, Great Miami Rivers

Ohio EPA is taking comments on a wastewater discharge permit application from Whitewater Processing Company to discharge water from a new wastewater treatment system located at 10964 Campbell Road, Harrison. If approved, a new treatment system will take the place of the existing pond/infiltration system. The Agency will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m. on December 10, 2009, at the city of Harrison's multipurpose room, 300 George St., Harrison.

The Agency's review of the permit application is to ensure that discharges from the turkey processing facility will comply with Ohio's water quality standards that protect aquatic life and human health. However, the discharges may result in changes to the current water quality of the Whitewater River and the Great Miami River. Ohio EPA will consider the economic and environmental impacts of the project. The agency will consider other wastewater disposal alternatives resulting in less or no degradation of water quality..

Ohio EPA will take oral and written comments on the application during the public hearing. Ohio EPA will equally consider written comments received through December 17, 2009. Interested parties can send comments to Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, Permits Processing Unit, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049. All comments will be considered before a final decision is made regarding the application.

Interested parties also may request to be placed on a mailing list for information by writing to the address above. Arrangements can be made to review the application and related material at Ohio EPA's Dayton office, 401 E. Fifth St., Dayton, by first calling Barb Clary, (937) 285-6357.

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