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**Subject:** OmniTRAX ASKS FOR PERMIT TO TAKE WETLANDS. AGAIN THE WETLANDS ARE AT RISK!

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OmniTRAX Logistics Services, LLC, is asking for a permit to take wetlands in Jackson County so they can trans-load frac sand (silica) into railcars for removal to out-of-state locations. Meeting is scheduled for March 7. Read about it below.



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on the industry*

**Issue: #183**  
**Date: MARCH 2, 2018**

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**Notice of Pending  
Application/Public Hearing for Proposed Wetland  
Individual Permit**

**James Samuelsen, OmniTRAX Logistics Services LLC, 252 Clayton Street, 4th Floor, Denver, Colorado 80206 has applied to the Department of Natural Resources for a permit for wetland fill or disturbance near Halls Creek for a rail loadout facility to ship industrial sand.**

**The project area is located primarily in the NE1/4 of Section 13, SE1/4 of Section 12, T22N, R4W (Town of Alma), and W1/2, NW1/4 of Section 18, T22N, R3W (Town of Adams), Jackson County. It is generally bounded on the north by Garage Road, on the east by Halls Creek, on the south by East Gilbert Road, and on the west by the Union Pacific Rail Road mainline.**

**OmniTRAX intends to process, wash, and dry sand at their mine site, then transport the sand via an overland conveyor to a rail loadout facility located east of the Union Pacific Rail Road mainline where the sand product will be loaded onto rail cars and shipped from the property.**

**The Department will review the proposal provided by the applicant and any information from public comments and the public informational hearing. The Department will determine whether the proposal complies with ss. 1.11 and 281.36, 401 CWA, Stats., and s. NR**

**150, Wis. Adm. Code, and ensure that the required mitigation meets the standards in s. 281.36(3r), Stats. if the project impacts wetlands. The Department has made a tentative determination that it will issue the permit or contract for the proposed activity.**

**If you would like to know more about this project or would like to see the application and plans, please visit the Department's permit tracking website at**

**<https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePages/Permit%20Search.aspx> and search for Omnitrax.**

**Reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.**

**The public hearing is scheduled for: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. Timberland Room Best Western Arrowhead Lodge and Suites 600 Oasis Road Black River Falls, WI 54615**

**The hearing will be a public informational hearing where members of the public can learn more about the proposed activity and submit written or oral comments about the waterway and project in light of the legal standards above.**

**Any member of the public may submit written comments by emailing [bradleya.johnson@wisconsin.gov](mailto:bradleya.johnson@wisconsin.gov) or writing to Brad Johnson, 5301 Rib Mountain Drive, Wausau, WI 54401 by U.S. mail. Comments should include the docket number or applicant name, and should relate to whether the project meets the legal standards listed above. Comments must be postmarked no later than 10 days after the date that the public informational hearing is completed in order for them to be considered.**

**The final decision may be appealed as indicated in the decision document. Docket Number IP-WC-2016-27-00815**

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