

**PUBLIC NOTICE:  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE**

Please take notice that Penobscot Estuary Mercury Remediation Trust (Remediation Trust), 11 Flagg Street, Unit 1, Cambridge, MA 02138, penobscot@g-etg.com, 414-732-4514, is intending to file a Natural Resources Protection Act permit application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the provisions of 38 M.R.S. §§ 480-A thru 480-BB on or about February 10, 2025.

The application is for a small-scale pilot test to demonstrate a thin layer cap is an effective and protective remedy to address mercury contamination in intertidal flat sediments. The proposed Thin Layer Cap (TLC) Pilot project will place a 4-to-6-inch sand cap on ±6.3 acres of intertidal flats, including a portion of low marsh, in Orrington Reach of the Penobscot River Estuary, at the following location: in East Cove 3 of Orrington Reach, adjacent to the Orrington Picnic Park on River Road in the Town of Orrington, Penobscot County, Maine.

A request for a public hearing must be received by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in writing no later than 20 days after the application is found by the Maine DEP to be complete and is accepted for processing. A public hearing may or may not be held at the discretion of the Commissioner or Board of Environmental Protection.

Public comment on the application will be accepted throughout the processing of the application.

For Federally licensed, permitted, or funded activities in the Coastal Zone, review of this application shall also constitute the State's consistency review in accordance with the Maine Coastal Program pursuant to Section 307 of the federal Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1456.

The application will be filed and available for public inspection during normal working hours at the Maine DEP's Eastern Maine Regional Office in Bangor at 106 Hogan Road, Bangor, Maine 04401.

A copy of the application may also be seen at the municipal offices in the Town of Orrington, at One Municipal Way, Orrington, Maine 04474.

Written public comments may be sent to [dana.valleau@maine.gov](mailto:dana.valleau@maine.gov) or the regional office in Bangor where the application is filed for public inspection: Maine DEP, Eastern Maine Regional Office, 106 Hogan Road, Bangor, Maine 04401.

The Remediation Trust will hold a public informational meeting (6:00–7:00 p.m.) and a drop-in session (2:00–5:00 p.m.) on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, in the Orrington Town Hall Annex, One Municipal Way, Orrington, Maine 04474. The purpose of the meeting is to inform the public of the proposed project and its anticipated environmental impacts and the opportunity to submit written comment to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection.

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