

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0020010

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NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0020133

The facility is authorized to discharge from a facility located on located at 1101 E. Herrera Road, in Dona Ana County, New Mexico. The effluent from the treatment plant is discharged into the Hatch Drain, thence to the Rio Grande River in Segment No. 20.6.4.98 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin. The discharge is located on that water at Latitude 32° 39' 30" North and Longitude 107° 09' 24" West. The designated uses of this receiving water are irrigation, marginal warm water aquatic life, livestock watering, wildlife habitat, and secondary contact.

Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code 4952, the applicant operates a municipal wastewater treatment plant with a design capacity of 0.30 million gallons per day (MGD) serving a population of approximately 1,900 in Hatch, 450 in Rodey, and 650 in Milagro and Placitas.

The EPA is proposing a permit previously issued October 28, 2009, with an effective date of December 1, 2009, and an expiration date of July 31, 2014.

Changes from the permit previously issued October 28, 2009, with an effective date of December 1, 2009, and an expiration date of July 31, 2014 are:

- The Segment code for the Hatch drain has been changed from 20.6.4.101 New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) to 20.6.4.98 NMAC.
- A 30-day Average Percent Removal for both BOD5 (Biological Oxygen Demand) and TSS has been added to the discharge limitations.
- The monitoring frequencies for TRC and pH have been changed to correspond with the New Mexico Implementation Plan.

A Fact Sheet is available.

State Certification

This Notice also serves as Public Notice of the intent of the New Mexico Environment Department, Surface Water Quality Bureau to consider issuing Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Certification. The purpose of such certification is to reasonably ensure that the permitted activities will be conducted in a manner that will comply with applicable New Mexico water quality standards, including the antidegradation policy, and the statewide water quality management plan. The NPDES permit will not be issued until the certification requirements of Section 401 have been met.

If you would like to comment on State Certification, submit written comments within the 30 day period to:

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