

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
NPDES PERMIT NO. NM0028100.

The applicant's mailing address is:

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Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code(s) 1094, the applicant operates the Mt. Taylor Mine- an underground mine currently on standby with no mine drainage discharge. The applicant may discharge mine water and treated domestic wastewater during the period of mining operation. The plant site is located in Cibola County, New Mexico. Potential mining water, storm runoff, and treated sewage will discharge to an unnamed tributary, thence to San Miguel Creek, thence to Arroyo Chico, thence to Rio Puerco and thence to the Rio Grande in Segment No. 20.6.4.105 of the Rio Grande Basin.

Changes from the permit previously issued March 30, 2005, with an effective date of April 1, 2005 and an expiration date of March 31, 2010, are:

1. Change effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for fecal coliform to E. coli;
2. Change pH range; and
3. Add Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) testing requirement.

Fact sheet is available.