

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0028827

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The facility is authorized to discharge from a facility located at 2000 E of I-25 & Grand Avenue, Las Vegas, San Miguel County, New Mexico. The effluent from the treatment plant is discharged into the Gallinas River in Segment No. 20.6.4.220 of the Pecos River Basin. Discharges are located on that water at Outfall 001: Latitude 35° 32' 19" North; Longitude 105° 12' 35" West. The designated beneficial uses of the receiving waters are irrigation, livestock watering, wildlife habitat, marginal coldwater aquatic life and primary contact.

Under the Standard Industrial Classification Code 4952, the applicant operates a Publicly Owned Treatment Works.

Reissuance of a permit previously issued January 30, 2006, with an effective date of March 1, 2006, and an expiration date of February 28, 2011.

Changes to the draft permit from the previous permit are:

1. Fecal Coliform bacteria limits have been removed from the current permit to comply with the current New Mexico Water Quality Standards.
2. Ammonia frequency has been reduced from three times per week to once a week based on the current New Mexico Implementation Plan.
3. Aluminum and Cadmium limits have been established in the permit.
4. Limits for percent removal of BOD₅ and TSS have been added.

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 want to comment on State Certification submit written comments within the 30 day period to:

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