NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0029238

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The facility is authorized to discharge from a facility located eight miles north-northeast of the City of Ruidoso in Lincoln County, New Mexico, from Outfall 001 located at Latitude 33° 25' 22" N; Longitude 105° 34' 25.6" W. Discharges from the facility for the described activities are to the the Little Creek (Segment 20.6.4.98); thence to Eagle Creek; thence to Rio Ruidoso in Segment 20.6.4.208 of the Pecos River Basin. The known uses of the receiving water are livestock watering, wildlife habitat, marginal warmwater aquatic life and primary contact.

Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code 4952, the applicant operates a Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) with a design capacity of 0.04 million gallons per day (MGD).

This is a renewal of a permit issued February 27, 2007, with an effective date of April 1, 2007, and an expiration date of March 31, 2012.

Changes from the previous permit are:

A. Increase monitoring frequency for flow
B. Increase monitoring frequency for pH
C. Add percent (minimum) removal for BOD and TSS
D. Correct pH limits based on NMWSQ reference (20.6.4.98) for Little Creek
E. Correct *E. coli* limits based on NMWSQ reference (20.6.4. 98) for Little Creek

A factsheet is available.

State Certification

The 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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