

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0029483

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The facility is authorized to discharge from a facility located at P.O. Box 429, Sunland Park, Doña Ana County, NM. The effluent from the site is discharged into Rio Grande in water quality Segment No. The discharge is located on that water at Latitude 31° 47' 54" North and Longitude 106° 33' 24" West, in Doña Ana County, New Mexico. Discharges from the facility for treated sanitary wastewater are discharged to Segment 20.6.4.101 of the Rio Grande River, Rio Grande River Basin. The designated uses of the receiving waters are irrigation, marginal warmwater aquatic life, livestock watering, wildlife habitat, and primary contact.

Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code 4952, the applicant operates a major municipal wastewater treatment plant with a design flow capacity of 2.0 MGD serving 18,400 people. This is a renewal of a permit previously issued September 13, 2007, with an effective date of October 1, 2007, and an expiration date of midnight, September 30, 2012.

Changes from the previous permit are:

- The flow monitoring frequency has changed from continuous to daily, in accordance with NMIP based on design capacity, MGD.
- pH monitoring frequency has changed from 1/week to daily, in accordance with NMIP based on design capacity, MGD.
- Percent removal of BOD and TSS has been added, in accordance with NMIP.
- The critical dilution has changed from 60% in the previous permit to 9.9% (100% using the acute to chronic ratio) in the proposed permit.
- E. coli TMDL has been incorporated into the proposed permit

#### 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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