

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0030155

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The facility (Latitude 35° 55' 35" N and Longitude 106° 42' 19" W) is located at HCR 69 River Road Hatchery Loop, Box 580, City of Santa Rosa, Guadalupe County, New Mexico. Under SIC Code 921, the facility hatches and raises cold and warm water species (rainbow trout, walleye, largemouth bass, channel catfish and tiger, muskie) for stocking in lakes and streams with estimated production maximum of 145,500 lbs annually. The discharge from the facility is to Ortega-Borsich ditch, thence to Pecos River, in Segment No 20.6.4.211 of Pecos River Basin. The designated uses of the receiving water are fish culture, irrigation, marginal warmwater aquatic life, livestock watering, wildlife habitat and primary contact.

This is a renewal of a permit issued on January 31, 2008 with an effective date of February 1, 2008, and an expiration date of November 30, 2011.

Changes from the previous permit are:

- Toxic limits have been established for boron and heptachlor.
- Monitored parameter, ammonia nitrogen has been changed to total nitrogen.
- TRC parameter has 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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