

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES,
NPDES PERMIT NO. NM0030180.

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The Ancho Mine is located in York Canyon, end of N.M. Highway 555, Colfax County, New Mexico. Discharges of storm water runoff are to Salyers Canyon, Ancho Canyon, Gachupin Canyon, Brackett Canyon, and tributaries to Vermejo River, thence to the Canadian River in the Segment No. 20.6.4.305 of Canadian River Basin. Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code(s) 1221, the applicant operates a post-operative coal mine area. The York Canyon Complex is currently in the reclamation mode. There is no longer any active mining in regards to disturbance and removal of overburden. This proposed permit is authorizing discharges of mine drainage from reclamation areas. It is proposed that the current permit be reissued for a five-year term.

The changes from the current permit issued June 10, 2004, with an effective date of July 1, 2004 and an expiration date of December 31, 2008 are:

- A. Delete monitoring requirements for total selenium, total vanadium, dissolved vanadium, gross alpha and pH; and
- B. Add effluent limitation and monitoring requirement for total aluminum.