

AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES,
NPDES PERMIT NO. NM0030759.

The applicants are:

Los Alamos National Security, LLC
Management Contractor for Operations AND U.S. Department of Energy
Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545 Los Alamos Area Office
Los Alamos, NM 87544

Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Codes 9922, 9711, 9661, and 9611, the applicants currently operate a large multi-disciplinary facility named Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) which conducts national defense research and development, scientific research, space research and technology development, and energy development. The original application was received by EPA on March 31, 2014, and determined to be administratively complete in EPA letter dated April 7, 2014. The expired permit has been administratively continued.

The proposed permit renewal retains the best management practices (BMPs) approach to control and, to the extent achievable, eliminate the exposure of pollutants to the environment. The proposed permit requires applicable BMPs be installed and maintained at all Sites.

PUBLIC MEETING INFORMATION: EPA Region 6 will be holding an informal public meeting which will include a presentation on the proposed permit and a question and answer session. Because informal public meetings accommodate group discussion and question and answer sessions, public meetings have been used for some major permitting actions and appear to be more valuable than formalized public hearings in helping the public understand a proposed permit and in identifying the issues of concern. Audients are also given opportunities to speak out their concerns to the public. Written, but not oral, comments for the administrative record will be accepted at the public meetings. Written comments generated from what was learned at the public meeting (or from discussion with someone who did attend) may also be submitted any time up to the end of the comment period. Draft permit and the fact sheet could be found at EPA's web site at <http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/npdes/publicnotices/index.htm>.

Time: Start at 5:00 pm
Date: May 6, 2015
Place: Holiday Inn Express
Meeting Room
60 Entrada Drive
Los Alamos, NM 87544

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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