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**REGION 8**

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**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF NPDES PERMIT**

**PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

**THIS NOTICE ANNOUNCES EPA'S INTENTIONS (1) TO REISSUE A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) DISCHARGE PERMIT UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 402 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT AND (2) TO CERTIFY PURSUANT TO SECTION 401(A)(1) OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT THAT THIS PERMIT COMPLIES WITH APPLICABLE CLEAN WATER ACT REQUIREMENTS.**

**PERMIT INFORMATION**

The facility to be covered by the permit is the new membrane filtration water treatment plant for the Shoshone Utility Organization.

PERMITTEE NAME: Shoshone Utility Organization

MAILING ADDRESS: Shoshone Utility Organization  
P.O. Box 338  
Fort Washakie, WY 82514

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 307-332-3458

NPDES PERMIT NUMBER: WY-0044580

The new water treatment plant is located in Fremont County, Wyoming on the Wind River Indian Reservation. It is approximately three miles due west of the Town of Fort Washakie and is in the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 1, Township 1 South, Range 2 West. The local address of the water treatment plant is 21 Engavo Lane, Fort Washakie, WY. The approximate latitude and longitude of the facility are 43° 00' 12" N and 108° 56' 45" W. The water treatment plant treats water from the South Fork of the Little Wind River to be used as drinking water for Fort Washakie and some adjoining areas. Wastewater discharges covered by the permit consist of wastewater from the backwash and cleaning of the membrane filters. The discharges would go to a nearby unnamed irrigation drainage ditch that is tributary to the South

Fork of the Little Wind River.

### **EPA TENTATIVE DETERMINATION**

EPA staff has prepared a draft of the permit that EPA proposes to issue. EPA staff has made a tentative determination that the effluent limitations and other conditions included in the draft permit will assure compliance with applicable provisions of the Clean Water Act. EPA intends to so certify pursuant to Section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

In accordance with the requirements of 40 C.F.R. Part 124.10, this comment period ends 30 calendar days after the date of publication of this notice. Comments may be directed to: Velrey Lozano (8P-W-WW); U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8; 1595 Wynkoop St.; Denver, CO 80202-1129. All comments received prior to the end of the comment period will be considered in the formulation of any final permit determinations.

If no objection is received within the specified comment period, the Regional Administrator of EPA Region 8 intends to issue a final NPDES permit and Clean Water Act section 401 certification within sixty days of the date of this notice. EPA will hold a public hearing if the response to this notice indicates significant public interest.

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

The draft permit and the statement of basis for the draft permit are available for download at [www.epa.gov/region8/water/npdes/documents.html](http://www.epa.gov/region8/water/npdes/documents.html). Contact Elaine Lai (303) 312-7041 ([lai.elaine@epa.gov](mailto:lai.elaine@epa.gov)) or by writing to the address listed above for more information. The complete application and related documents are available by appointment for review and reproduction at the address listed above during the hours of 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday, Federal holidays excluded. To make an appointment to review the documents contact Elaine Lai as listed above.