NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0022101

The applicant's mailing address is:

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As described in the application, the wastewater treatment plant is located at 38 Ocean Blvd., Village of Taos Ski Valley in Taos County, New Mexico. The effluent from the treatment plant is discharged into the Rio Hondo. The discharge is located on that water at latitude 36° 35' 46" N and longitude 105° 27' 38" W, in Taos County, New Mexico. Under the SIC Code 4952, the discharge is from a publicly owned treatment works (POTW) with a design capacity of 0.167 MGD serving a population that fluctuates from 500 to 5,000 depending on the season of the year.

This is a renewal of a permit issued August 4, 2011, with an effective date of October 1, 2011, and an expiration date of September 30, 2016. Changes from the previous permit are:

A. BOD<sub>5</sub> and TSS percent removal limits have been added in accordance with secondary treatment requirements at 40 CFR 133.102.

B. pH and TRC sampling frequency have been revised to five/week to match the NMIP schedule.

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 anti-degradation 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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