

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0028479

The applicant's mailing address is: Jemez Valley Public Schools  
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The facility is authorized to discharge from a facility located at 8501 Hwy 4 Jemez Pueblo, Sandoval County, New Mexico, from Outfall 001 located at Latitude 35° 39' 24" N; Longitude 106° 44' 19" W. Discharges from the facility for the described activities are to the Jemez River thence to the Rio Grande, State of New Mexico Segment No.20.6.4.107 of the Rio Grande Basin. The known uses of the receiving water are coldwater aquatic life, primary contact, irrigation, livestock watering and wildlife habitat; and public water supply on Vallecito creek. The Pueblo of Santa Anna establishes designated uses of the segment of the Jemez River as coolwater aquatic life/fisher use, warmwater aquatic life/fishery use, primary contact ceremonial use, primary contact recreational use, agricultural water supply use and wildlife habitat use.

Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code 2213, the applicant operates a Privately Owned Sanitary Wastewater Treatment Facility with a design capacity of 0.01 Million Gallons per Day (MGD).

This is a renewal of a permit issued September 26, 2013, with an effective date of November 1, 2013, and an expiration date of October 31, 2018.

Changes from the previous permit are:

1. E. Coli limits have been revised to protect designated uses of downstream waters.
2. Electronic DMR reporting requirements have been included in the modified permit.
3. Language on the Sufficiently Sensitive Methods has been established in the proposed permit
4. Concentration limits for Boron and Arsenic have been corrected.

A factsheet is available.

#### State Certification

The 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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