

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0028487

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The discharge from this facility is located at 1301 West Washington Street, Dona Ana County, New Mexico. Under the SIC code 4952, the applicant operates a WWTP. The facility has a design flow capacity of 0.09 MGD providing sanitary services for approximately 3,070 students and staffs. The facility consists of two separate treatment plants with one at the High School and the other the Middle School. The combined discharges from the facility is to Rio Grande River in Segment 20.6.4.101 NMAC. Designated uses of the receiving water are irrigation, livestock watering, wildlife habitat, marginal warmwater aquatic life and primary contact.

This is a renewal of a permit issued on March 25, 2014 with an effective date of May 1, 2014 and an expiration date of April 30, 2019.

Changes from the previous permit are:

- Critical dilution has been updated to reflect new flow information.
- Monitoring for BOD and TSS has been increased to twice/month.
- Language on sufficiently sensitive methods has been established in the proposed permit
- Electronic DMR reporting requirements have been included in the modified permit.
- Boron monitoring requirements have been added as a result of an impairment at the receiving segment.

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 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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