NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0020150

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The facility is located at 1300 Conservancy Road in the city of Belen, NM. It has a design capacity of 1.20 MGD and serves about 7,116 people. Under the SIC Code 4952, the effluent from the site is discharged into the Bosque Drain, thence into the Rio Grande in water quality Segment No. 20.6.4.105 NMAC of the Middle Rio Grande Basin. The discharge is located on that water at Latitude 34° 38' 32" North and Longitude 106° 46' 36" West in Valencia County, NM.

This is a renewal of a permit issued on February 17, 2015 with an effective date of March 1, 2015 and an expiration date of February 29, 2019. The following are the changes from the previous permit:

A. 1. Added monitoring requirements and a compliance schedule for nitrate and dichlorobromomethane. This is based on RP analysis to cause or contribute to violations of State WQS.

A fact sheet is available for review.

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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