

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0030996

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The discharge from this facility is located at 35 miles north of Milan, off State Road 509, Grants, in McKinley County, NM. Under the SIC code 1221, the applicant operates a surface coal mine. There are two immediate receiving waters for the outfalls: Kim-me-ni-oli Valley Tributary and Inditos Draw. Kim-me-ni-oli Valley Tributary and Inditos Draw are ephemeral receiving waters pursuant to 20.6.4.97 NMAC. Designated uses of the receiving waters are listed in the fact sheet.

This is a renewal of a permit issued on December 18, 2015, with an effective date of January 18, 2016, and an expiration date of October 31, 2019.

Changes from the previous permit are:

- Substitute unit (MPN) for E. coli bacteria has been added.
- Many outfalls (sediment ponds) have been removed; Outfall 56 has been added.

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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