

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0030414

The applicant's mailing address is:

Rio Del Oro Wastewater Treatment Facility
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The facility is authorized to discharge from a facility located at 1 PNM Access Road, Los Lunas, Valencia County, New Mexico, from Outfall 001 located at Latitude 34° 43' 28.34" North, Longitude 106° 42' 21.46" West. Discharges from the facility for the described activities are to the arroyo La Canada de La Loma de Arena thence to La Constancia Ditch, thence to the Rio Grande, State of New Mexico Segment No.20.6.4.105 of the Rio Grande Basin. The known uses of the receiving water(s) are aquatic life, livestock watering, wildlife habitat, and primary contact.

Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code 4952, the applicant operates a private domestic wastewater treatment plant with a design capacity of 0.3 million gallons per day (MGD).

This is a renewal of a permit issued December 18, 2015, with an effective date of February 1, 2016, and an expiration date of January 31, 2021.

A fact sheet is available.

Changes to the draft permit from the previous permit are:

1. WET test has been changed from acute to chronic test per NMIP.

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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