

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0000116

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The plant site is located at 11783 State Highway 337, in Bernalillo County, New Mexico, about 10 miles east of Albuquerque. Under Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code(s) 3241, the applicant currently manufactures Portland cement. The facility discharges into Corral Canyon, thence into Tijeras Canyon in segment number 20.6.4.105 of the Rio Grande Basin. The designated uses for intermittent stream, designated as segment number 20.6.4.98, are wildlife habitat, livestock watering, marginal warmwater aquatic life, and primary contact. Outfall(s) are listed below:

Outfall 001: Latitude: 35° 04' 25", Longitude: 106° 23' 51"

This is a permit renewal. It is proposed that the facility be issued an NPDES permit for a 5-year term in accordance with regulations contained in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 122.46(a). 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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