

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0030686

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The discharge from this facility is located in Albuquerque, Bernalillo County, New Mexico on the Pueblo of Laguna, Interstate 40 at exit 140. Under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) 4952, the applicant currently operates a sanitary treatment facility. The treatment facility composes of coarse screen, grit removal, fine screen, anoxic basin for nitrification/denitrification, pre-aeration, and membrane bio-reactor basin. The design treatment capacity is 0.38 million gallons per day (MGD). Its outfall is approximately a half mile upstream of the Rio Puerco and 28 miles upstream of the intersection of the Rio Puerco and the Rio Grande. Designated uses of the receiving water are stated in the Fact Sheet.

This is a renewal of a permit initially issued May 28, 2010 and previously renewed September 22, 2016, with an effective date of October 01, 2016, and an expiration date of September 30, 2021.

Changes from the previous permit are:

- E. coli monitoring frequency has been revised.
- Limit for Enterococci has been added.
- Limit for Total Residual Chlorine has been added.
- Limit for Total Mercury has been added.
- Total Mercury monitoring frequency has been revised.
- Limit for Dissolved Oxygen has been added.
- Limit for Total Dissolved Solids has been added.

A fact sheet is available.

Tribal Certification

This Notice also serves as Public Notice of the intent of the Pueblo of Laguna, Environmental and Natural Resources Department 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 Pueblo of Laguna water quality standards, including the anti-degradation policy, and the Pueblo 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 Certification by the Pueblo of Laguna submit written comments within the 30 day period to:

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