

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0030872

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The discharge from this facility is located at 5150 E. Lohman Avenue, City of Las Cruces, Dona Ana County, New Mexico. Under the SIC code 4952, the applicant (municipality) operates East Mesa Water Reclamation Facility, which has a design flow rate of 1.0 MGD serving a population of 4,250 approximately. Effluent is discharged via Outfall 001 to South Fork Las Cruces Arroyo, an intermittent stream, thence to Rio Grande River (20.6.4.98 NMAC). Designated uses of the receiving water are stated in the fact sheet.

This is a renewal of a permit issued on February 27, 2019, with an effective date of April 1, 2019, and an expiration date of March 31, 2024.

Changes from the previous permit are:

- New limitations for PCBs have been added.
- Previous monitoring for thallium has been removed.
- Previous limitations for Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate have been removed, but monitoring is required.
- Optional MPN unit for E. coli bacteria has been added.
- WET has new limit for Pimephales promelas.
- PFAS monitoring has been established.

A fact sheet is available.

Note: All data submitted by the applicant is available as part of the administrative record. Further information regarding the administrative record may be requested from the EPA contact below or viewed at the address below between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. It is recommended that you write or call for an appointment, so the record(s) will be available at your convenience.

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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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