

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0020672

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The permittee is authorized to discharge to receiving waters named Puerco River Segment 20.6.4.99 thence to the Lower Colorado River of the Lower Colorado River Basin, from a facility located at 800 Sweetwater Place, City of Gallup, McKinley County, New Mexico.

Under the SIC Code 4952, the discharge is from a POTW. This permit supersedes and replaces NPDES Permit No. NM0020672 issued September 27, 2017, with an effective date of November 1, 2017, and an expiration date of October 31, 2022.

Changes from the previous permit are:

- An interim and final ammonia limit has been established with a schedule of compliance.
- An interim and final fluoride limit has been established with a schedule of compliance.
- Semi-annual PFAS monitoring has been established.
- Pollutant monitoring requirements have been added (See Tables 4 & 5 for details).
- The critical dilution has been changed to 88% from the previous 100%.
- A new WET limit for *Ceriodaphnia dubia* has been established.
- The daily maximum *E. coli* limit has been revised to 235 CFU/100 ml to be protective of Navajo Nation WQS.
- BOD₅ limits have been established to ensure that the Navajo Nation dissolved oxygen WQS is protected. The BOD₅ limits are 27 mg/L for the monthly average and 33 mg/l for the 7-day average.

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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