NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0031178

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The facility is located at 5500 McNutt Road, Sunland Park, Doña Ana County, New Mexico. Under the SIC code 4952, the discharge is from a publicly owned treatment works (POTW) with a design capacity of 1.0 MGD serving Santa Teresa and Santa Teresa Industrial Park having a total population of 5044. The treated effluent from the treatment plant is discharged to Rio Grande (International Mexico bnd to Anthony Bridge), Segment number 20.6.4.101 NMAC, which is approximately 4 miles upstream of the State of Texas' boundary. The designated uses of the receiving water are irrigation, marginal warmwater aquatic life, livestock watering, wildlife habitat, and primary contact.

This is a new permit. The EPA did not receive a complete application prior to the previous permit expiration date (December 29, 2023). This prevented the previous permit from being Administratively Continued under 5 U.S.C. 558(c).

A fact sheet is available.

State Certification

The 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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