

NPDES authorization to discharge to waters of the United States, Permit No. NM0020168

The applicant's mailing address is:

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The facility is located at 900 S. Oliver Street, Aztec, San Juan County, New Mexico. Under the SIC code 4952, the applicant operates City of Aztec WWTP, which has a design flow of 1.2 MGD (current average daily flow of 0.403 MGD) providing sanitary services for a population of 6,322 with no significant industrial user. The facility discharges to Animas River for about 15 miles before reaching San Juan River (20.6.4.403 NMAC). The discharge is located at Latitude 36° 49' 07" N and Longitude 108° 01' 24" W, in San Juan County, New Mexico. Designated uses of the receiving water are stated in the Fact Sheet.

The changes from the current permit issued on March 25, 2021, with an effective date of May 1, 2021, and an expiration date of April 30, 2026, and currently administratively continued under 5 U.S.C. 558(c) are:

- Removing monitoring requirements for Methylmercury, Benzidine and Hexachlorobenzene;
- Adding monitoring requirements for PFAS;
- Adding influent monitoring requirements for TSS and BOD₅; and,
- Changing TRC effluent limit to 11 ug/L from 19 ug/L.

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 anti-degradation 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 45-day period to:

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