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**RE: Draft Discharge Permit Renewal, DP-1285, La Promesa Elementary School**

Dear Lawrence Sanchez and Justin Gallegos:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) hereby provides notice to Belen Consolidated Schools, La Promesa Elementary School of the proposed approval of Ground Water Discharge Permit Renewal, DP-1285, (copy enclosed), pursuant to Subsection H of 20.6.2.3108 NMAC. NMED will publish notice of the availability of the draft Discharge Permit in the near future for public review and comment and will forward a copy of that notice to you.

Prior to making a final ruling on the proposed Discharge Permit, NMED will allow 30 days from the date the public notice is published in the newspaper for any interested party, including the Discharge Permit applicant, i.e., yourself, to submit written comments and/or a request a public hearing. A hearing request shall set forth the reasons why a hearing is requested. NMED will hold a hearing in response to a timely hearing request if the NMED Secretary determines there is substantial public interest in the proposed Discharge Permit.

Please review the enclosed draft Discharge Permit carefully. Please be aware that this Discharge Permit may contain conditions that require the permittee to implement operational, monitoring or closure actions by a specified deadline.

Please submit written comments or a request for hearing to my attention at the address below, via email to [philip.deenik@env.nm.gov](mailto:philip.deenik@env.nm.gov) or to [pps.general@env.nm.gov](mailto:pps.general@env.nm.gov), or directly into the NMED Public Comment Portal at <https://nmed.commentinput.com/comment/search>. If NMED does not receive written comments or a request for hearing during the public comment period, the draft Discharge Permit will become final.

Thank you for your cooperation during the review process. Feel free to contact me with any questions at (505) 490-5281.

Sincerely,

Philip Deenik, Water Resources Professional II

Encl: Draft Discharge Permit Renewal, DP-1285

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**GROUND WATER QUALITY BUREAU**  
**DISCHARGE PERMIT**  
**Issued under 20.6.2 NMAC**

**Facility Name:** La Promesa Elementary School  
**Discharge Permit Number:** DP-1285  
**Facility Location:** 898 NM Highway 304  
Veguita, NM 87062

**County:** Socorro

**Permittee:** Belen Consolidated Schools  
Lawrence Sanchez, Superintendent

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**Permitting Action:** Renewal  
**Permit Issuance Date:** DATE  
**Permit Expiration Date:** DATE

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- Discharge Permit Summary
- Groundwater Discharge Permit Guidance for Synthetically Lined Lagoons – Liner Material and Site Preparation, Revision 0.0, May 2007
- New Mexico Environment Department Ground Water Quality Bureau Monitoring Well Construction and Abandonment Guidelines, Revision 1.1, March 2011 (Monitoring Well Guidance)
- New Mexico Environment Department – Ground Water Quality Bureau Guidance: How To Sample a Monitoring Well
- Departamento de Medio Ambiente de Nuevo Mexico - Oficina de Calidad de Aguas Subterranas Guia: Como tomar una muestra de un pozo de monitoreo

## I. INTRODUCTION

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) issues this groundwater discharge permit Renewal (Discharge Permit or DP-1285) to the Belen Consolidated Schools (Permittee) pursuant to the New Mexico Water Quality Act (WQA), NMSA 1978 §§74-6-1 through 74-6-17, and the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Ground and Surface Water Protection Regulations, 20.6.2 NMAC.

NMED's purpose in issuing this Discharge Permit, and in imposing the requirements and conditions specified herein, is to control the discharge of water contaminants from La Promesa Elementary School (Facility) in order to protect groundwater and those segments of surface water gaining from groundwater inflow for present and potential future use as domestic and agricultural water supply and other uses, and to protect public health. It is NMED's determination in issuing this Discharge Permit that the Permittee has met the requirements of Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC. The Permittee is responsible for complying with the terms and conditions of this Discharge Permit pursuant to Section 20.6.2.3104 NMAC; failure to do so may result in enforcement action by NMED (20.6.2.1220 NMAC).

Described below are the activities that produce the discharge, the location of the discharge, and the quantity, quality, and flow characteristics.

The Facility discharges domestic wastewater and backwash from two arsenic treatment systems at a volume up to 6,732 gallons per day (gpd) to a synthetically lined impoundment system for disposal by evaporation. Solids are removed by an 8,000-gallon septic tank, and grease is removed by a 1,100-gallon grease interceptor. Solids and grease are then removed by a certified waste hauler.

Data collected from an on-site monitoring wells document groundwater contamination attributed to one or more sources at this Facility. The on-site monitoring well has exceedances of groundwater quality standards for Nitrates, total Kjeldahl nitrogen (TKN), Total Dissolved Solids, and Chlorides according to the criteria of Sections 20.6.2.3101 and 20.6.2.3103 NMAC. This Discharge Permit contains requirements, actions and/or contingencies intended to address the source(s) of documented groundwater contamination.

### Discharge Permit Location Information:

Physical Address	898 NM Highway 304, Veguita, NM 87062
Nearest Town/City	two miles south of Las Nutrias
Section, Township, Range	Section 31 (projected), Township 03 North, Range 02 East
County	Socorro
Depth to Groundwater	Approximately 22ft
Pre-Discharge TDS	700 milligrams per liter

Discharge Permit Issuance History:

Original Permit Issuance	June 27, 2000
Permit Renewal	June 22, 2009
Permit Modification	November 25, 2011
Permit Renewal	December 31, 2018

The application (i.e., discharge plan) associated with this Discharge Permit consists of the materials submitted by Justin Gallegos dated April 23, 2024, and materials contained in the administrative record prior to issuance of this Discharge Permit.

The Permittee shall manage the discharge in accordance with all conditions and requirements of this Discharge Permit.

NMED reserves the right to require a Discharge Permit modification in the event NMED determines that the Permittee is or may be violating, or is likely to violate in the future, the requirements of 20.6.2 NMAC or the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC. NMED reserves this right pursuant to Section 20.6.2.3109 NMAC. An NMED requirement to modify the Discharge Permit may result from a determination by the department that structural controls and/or management practices approved under this Discharge Permit are insufficiently protective of groundwater quality and human health. NMED reserves the right to require the Permittee to implement abatement of water pollution and remediate groundwater quality.

NMED issuance of this Discharge Permit does not relieve the Permittee of the responsibility to comply with the WQA, WQCC Regulations, and any other applicable federal, state and/or local laws and regulations, such as zoning requirements and nuisance ordinances.

This Discharge Permit may use the following acronyms and abbreviations.

Abbreviation	Explanation	Abbreviation	Explanation
BOD <sub>5</sub>	biochemical oxygen demand (5-day)	NMED	New Mexico Environment Department
CAP	Corrective Action Plan	NMSA	New Mexico Statutes Annotated
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	nitrate-nitrogen
CFU	colony forming unit	NTU	nephelometric turbidity units
Cl	chloride	QA/QC	Quality Assurance/Quality Control
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency	TDS	total dissolved solids
Gpd	gallons per day	TKN	total Kjeldahl nitrogen
LAA	land application area	total nitrogen	= TKN + NO <sub>3</sub> -N
LADS	Land Application Data Sheet(s)	TRC	total residual chlorine
mg/L	milligrams per liter	TSS	total suspended solids

Abbreviation	Explanation	Abbreviation	Explanation
mL	milliliters	WQA	New Mexico Water Quality Act
MPN	most probable number	WQCC	Water Quality Control Commission
NMAC	New Mexico Administrative Code	WWTF	Wastewater Treatment Facility

## II. FINDINGS

In issuing this Discharge Permit, NMED finds the following.

1. The Permittee is discharging effluent or leachate from the Facility so that such effluent or leachate may move into groundwater of the State of New Mexico that has an existing concentration of 10,000 mg/L or less of TDS, within the meaning of Subsection A of 20.6.2.3101 NMAC, without exceeding standards of 20.6.2.3103 NMAC for any water contaminant.
2. The Permittee is discharging effluent or leachate from the Facility directly or indirectly into groundwater pursuant to this Discharge Permit and Sections 20.6.2.3000 through 20.6.2.3114 NMAC.
3. The discharge from this Facility has the potential to contain water contaminants or toxic pollutants elevated above the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC and is not subject to the exemption at Subsection 20.6.2.3105 NMAC.

## III. AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE

The Permittee is responsible for ensuring that discharges authorized by this Discharge Permit are consistent with the terms and conditions herein pursuant to 20.6.2.3104 NMAC.

This Discharge Permit authorizes the Permittee to discharge domestic wastewater and backwash up to 6,732 gpd to a synthetically lined impoundment system with two impoundments for disposal by evaporation.

[20.6.2.3104 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3106 NMAC, Subsection D of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]

## IV. CONDITIONS

NMED issues this Discharge Permit for the discharge of water contaminants subject to the following conditions.

**A. OPERATIONAL PLAN**

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1.	<p>The Permittee shall implement the following operational plan to ensure compliance with Title 20, Chapter 6, Parts 2 and 4 NMAC.</p> <p>[Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
2.	<p>The Permittee shall operate in a manner that does not violate standards and requirements of Sections 20.6.2.3101 and 20.6.2.3103 NMAC.</p> <p>[20.6.2.3101 NMAC, 20.6.2.3103 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>

***Operational Actions with Implementation Deadlines***

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3.	<p>Within 30 days following the issuance date of this Discharge Permit (<b>by DATE</b>), the Permittee shall remove all woody shrubs growing on the berms, in the anchor trenches and inside the evaporative impoundments. The Permittee shall submit photographic documentation of shrub removal to NMED within 30 days of completion.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
4.	<p>Within 180 days following the issuance date of this Discharge Permit (<b>by DATE</b>), the Permittee shall repair the berm tears in the synthetic liners of the evaporative impoundments (SL-01-E and SL-02-W) using a certified liner installer. The Permittee shall notify NMED at least five working days prior to commencement of the repair to allow NMED personnel to be onsite for an inspection. The Permittee shall send all records of the repaired liner to NMED within 30 days of completion.</p> <p>[Subsections A and C 20.6.2.1202 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3106 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 61-23-1 through 61-23-32]</p>
5.	<p>Within 180 days following the issuance date of this Discharge Permit (<b>by DATE</b>), the Permittee shall conduct an inspection and test for water-tight construction on the Septic Tank and Grease Interceptor. A person meeting the qualification requirements identified in Paragraph (2), Subsection B of 20.7.3.904 NMAC, Liquid Waste Disposal and Treatment Regulations shall perform the inspection and test.</p> <p>The Permittee shall perform the water-tightness inspection according to the following procedures:</p> <p>a) Sampling of the contents of the unit and disposal of the contents in accordance with</p>

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	<p>all local, state, and federal regulations, including 40 CFR Part 503. Inspection of the interior of the unit to determine the construction material, interior dimensions, and structural integrity.</p> <p>b) Collect photographic documentation of the condition of the interior of the unit while the unit is empty.</p> <p>Completion of water-tightness testing shall use one of the two following procedures.</p> <p>a) <u>Conducting hydrostatic testing</u> using the following procedure.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Plug the inlet and outlet piping of the unit.</li><li>2) Fill the unit with water to the normal operating level.</li><li>3) Measure the water level.</li><li>4) Allow the water to stand for 60 minutes without the addition of water.</li><li>5) Measure the water level at the end of 60 minutes.</li></ol> <p>A unit that does not allow a drop-in water level of greater than 0.01 feet in 60 minutes is considered to be watertight.</p> <p>The Permittee shall keep a record of all inspection findings and water-tightness testing, including but not limited to a narrative description of the processes and date-stamped photographs.</p> <p>The Permittee shall submit a report for each unit inspected/tested to NMED in the next required periodic monitoring report. The report shall include the date of the inspection/test, the name of the individual that conducted the test, written inspection findings, photographic documentation of the unit's interior and water-tightness test results.</p> <p>In the event that water-tightness testing reveals that a unit is not watertight, or should inspection reveal damage to the unit that could result in structural failure, the Permittee shall notify NMED within 30 days of the inspection/test date.</p> <p>The Permittee shall implement the following corrective actions upon notification from NMED.</p> <p>a) Within 90 days following notification from NMED, repair or replace the unit. If notified to do so by NMED, the Permittee shall submit plans and specifications for the proposed repair or replacement that bear the seal and signature of a licensed New Mexico professional engineer (pursuant to the New Mexico Engineering and Surveying Practice Act and the rules promulgated under that authority). The Permittee shall submit plans and specifications to NMED prior to construction for evaluation of compliance with the requirements of 20.6.2 NMAC.</p>

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	<p>b) Within 30 days following repair or replacement of the unit, repeat the water-tightness testing to verify the effectiveness of the repair or replacement, and submit a report to NMED. The report shall include the date of the inspection/test, the name of the individual that performed the inspection/test, written inspection findings, photographic documentation of the unit’s interior and water tightness test results. If notified to do so by NMED, the Permittee shall also submit record drawings that bear the seal and signature of a licensed New Mexico professional engineer (pursuant to the New Mexico Engineering and Surveying Practice Act and the rules promulgated under that authority) that include the final, construction details of the unit.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>

**Operating Conditions**

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6.	<p>The Permittee shall maintain fences around the Facility to restrict access by the general public and animals. The fences shall consist of a minimum of six-foot chain link or field fencing and locking gates. The Permittee shall maintain the fences to serve the stated purpose throughout the term of this Discharge Permit.</p> <p>[Subsections B and C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC, NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.D]</p>
7.	<p>The Permittee shall maintain signs indicating that the wastewater at the Facility is not potable. The Permittee shall post signs at the Facility entrance and other areas where there is potential for public contact with wastewater. The Permittee shall print signs in English and Spanish and shall ensure the signs remain visible and legible for the term of this Discharge Permit.</p> <p>[Subsections B and C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC, NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.D]</p>
8.	<p>The Permittee shall maintain the impoundment liners to avoid conditions that could affect the liners or the structural integrity of the impoundments. Characterization of such conditions may include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• erosion damage;</li> <li>• animal burrows or other damage;</li> <li>• the presence of vegetation including aquatic plants, weeds, woody shrubs or trees growing within five feet of the top inside edge of a sub-grade impoundment, within five feet of the toe of the outside berm of an above-grade impoundment, or within the impoundment itself;</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• the presence of large debris or large quantities of debris in the impoundment;</li><li>• evidence of seepage; or</li><li>• evidence of berm subsidence.</li></ul> <p>The Permittee shall routinely control vegetation growing around the impoundments by mechanical removal that is protective of the impoundment liner.</p> <p>The Permittee shall visually inspect the impoundments and surrounding berms on a monthly basis to ensure proper maintenance. In the event that inspection reveals any evidence of damage that threatens the structural integrity of an impoundment berm or liner, or that may result in an unauthorized discharge, the Permittee shall implement the Contingency Plan set forth in this Discharge Permit.</p> <p>The Permittee shall create and maintain a log of all impoundment inspections which describes the date of the inspection, any findings and repairs and the name of the person responsible for the inspection. The Permittee shall make the log available to NMED upon request.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
9.	<p>The Permittee shall preserve a minimum of two feet of freeboard, i.e., the distance between the highest calculated liquid level in the impoundments and the liquid level which would result in the release of stored liquid from the impoundments.</p> <p>In the event that the Permittee determines that it cannot preserve two feet of freeboard in the impoundment, the Permittee shall implement the Contingency Plan set forth in this Discharge Permit.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
10.	<p>The Permittee shall inspect the 8,000-gallon Septic Tank semi-annually for the accumulation of scum and solids. In the event that the scum layer exceeds three inches or the settled solids occupy 30% or more of the tank volume, the contents of the tanks shall be pumped by a septage pumper meeting the qualification requirements identified in Subsection D of 20.7.3.904 NMAC, Liquid Waste Disposal and Treatment Regulations.</p> <p>The Permittee shall create and maintain a log of all septic tank inspections which describes the findings, repairs, and removals, the date of the inspection, and the name of the person responsible for the inspection. The Permittee shall make the log available to NMED upon request.</p>

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	<p>The Permittee shall maintain a record of solids removal and disposal, including the name of the septage hauler, date of off-site shipment, volume of solids removed, disposal method, and disposal location.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
11.	<p>The Permittee shall inspect the 1,100-gallon Grease Interceptor on a monthly basis and remove accumulated grease and settled solids as needed to prevent them from exiting the unit.</p> <p>The Permittee shall create and maintain a log of all grease interceptor inspections which describes all findings, repairs, removals, the date of the inspection, and the name of the person responsible for the inspection. The Permittee shall make the log available to NMED upon request.</p> <p>The Permittee shall maintain a record of grease/solids removal and disposal, including date, volume of grease/solids removed, disposal method and disposal location.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
12.	<p>The Permittee shall inspect and clean the Lift Station as needed to prevent pump failure.</p> <p>The Permittee shall maintain a record of lift station inspections, repairs, and cleanings. The Permittee shall make the record available to NMED upon request.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
13.	<p>The Permittee shall utilize operators, certified by the State of New Mexico at the appropriate level pursuant to 20.7.4 NMAC, to operate the wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal systems. A certified operator or a direct supervisee of a certified operator shall perform the operations and maintenance of all or any part of the wastewater system.</p> <p>The Permittee shall notify the NMED within 24 hours if at any time the Permittee no longer has a certified operator maintaining the system.</p> <p>[Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC, 20.7.4 NMAC]</p>

**B. MONITORING AND REPORTING**

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14.	The Permittee shall conduct the monitoring, reporting, and other requirements listed below in accordance with the monitoring requirements of this Discharge Permit.  [Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]
15.	METHODOLOGY – Unless otherwise specified by this Discharge Permit, or approved in writing by NMED, the Permittee shall use sampling and analytical techniques that conform with the references listed in Subsection B of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC.  [Subsection B of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]

***Due Dates for Monitoring Reports***

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16.	Semi-annual monitoring - The Permittee shall perform monitoring and other Permit required actions during the following periods and shall submit semi-annual reports to NMED by the following due dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• January 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup> – <b>due by August 1<sup>st</sup></b>; and</li> <li>• July 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup> – <b>due by February 1<sup>st</sup></b>.</li> </ul> [Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]

***Groundwater Monitoring Conditions***

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17.	The Permittee shall perform semi-annual groundwater sampling in the following groundwater monitoring wells and analyze the samples for TKN, NO <sub>3</sub> -N, TDS, and Cl. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) MW-1, located hydrologically upgradient from the impoundments at 34.4458° N and -106.7744° W.</li> <li>b) MW-1A, located hydrologically downgradient from the former wetlands wastewater treatment system at 34.4458° N and -106.7749° W.</li> <li>c) MW-2, located hydrologically downgradient of the former wastewater subsurface irrigation system at 34.4453° N and -106.7749° W</li> <li>d) MW-3, located hydrologically downgradient of the evaporative impoundment SL-02-W to the west at 34.4449° N and -106.7751° W.</li> <li>e) MW-4, located hydrologically downgradient of the evaporative impoundment SL-02-W to the southwest at 34.4445° N and -106.7751° W</li> </ol>

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	<p>The Permittee shall perform groundwater sample collection, preservation, transport, and analysis according to the following procedures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Measure the depth-to-most-shallow groundwater from the top of the well casing to the nearest one-hundredth of a foot.</li><li>b) Purge three well volumes of water from the well prior to sample collection.</li><li>c) Obtain samples from the well for analysis.</li><li>d) Properly prepare, preserve, and transport samples.</li><li>e) Analyze samples in accordance with the methods authorized in this Discharge Permit.</li></ul> <p>The Permittee shall submit the depth-to-most-shallow groundwater measurements and the laboratory analytical data results including the laboratory QA/QC summary report and Chain of Custody for each well, and a Facility layout map showing the location and number of each well to NMED in the monitoring reports due in the semi-annual monitoring report.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>
18.	<p>The Permittee shall develop a groundwater elevation contour map, i.e., potentiometric surface map, on a semi-annual basis using the top of casing elevation data from the monitoring well survey and the most recent depth-to-most-shallow groundwater measurements, referenced to mean sea level, obtained during the groundwater sampling required by this Discharge Permit.</p> <p>The groundwater elevation contour map shall depict the groundwater flow direction based on the groundwater elevation contours. The Permittee shall estimate groundwater elevations between monitoring well locations using common interpolation methods. The Permittee shall use a contour interval appropriate to the data but shall not be greater than two feet. Groundwater elevation contour maps shall use arrows to depict the groundwater flow direction based on the orientation of the groundwater elevation contours and shall locate and identify each monitoring well and contaminant source.</p> <p>The Permittee shall submit to NMED a groundwater elevation contour map in the monitoring reports due in the semi-annual monitoring report.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>
19.	<p>NMED shall have the option to perform downhole inspections of all groundwater monitoring wells identified in this Discharge Permit. NMED shall establish the inspection date and notify the Permittee. The Permittee shall remove any existing dedicated pumps</p>

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	<p>at least 48 hours prior to NMED inspection to allow adequate settling time of sediment agitated from pump removal.</p> <p>Should the Permittee decide to install a pump in a monitoring well without a dedicated pump, the Permittee shall notify NMED at least 90 days prior to pump installation so that NMED can schedule downhole well inspections prior to pump placement.</p> <p>[Subsections A and D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>

**Facility Monitoring Conditions**

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20.	<p>The Permittee shall on a monthly basis estimate the volume of reclaimed domestic wastewater and backwash received by the facility.</p> <p>To determine the discharge volume, the Permittee shall obtain the pumping rate of the effluent pumps (SL-01-E Meter and SL-02-W Meter), located in the Lift Station, from the manufacturer specifications or by documented field assessment. Further, the Permittee shall log the total run time for each pumps on an hours recorder and record the pump run hours on a monthly basis (pump operating time). Finally, the Permittee shall multiply the monthly pump run hours by the associated pumping rate to estimate the monthly effluent volume by the formula below.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(pumping rate) x (monthly pump operating time) = estimated monthly effluent volume</p> <p>The Permittee shall use the estimated monthly effluent volume to calculate the average daily effluent volume by the formula below.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">estimated monthly effluent volume ÷ number of days in the month = average daily effluent volume</p> <p>The Permittee shall submit to NMED the record of the calendar monthly operating time for the pumps, the pumping rate and the estimated monthly and average daily effluent volume in the semi-annual monitoring reports. The Permittee shall keep the hours-recorder functional at all times. If the recorder is not functioning properly, the Permittee shall note that fact in the record submitted to NMED.</p> <p>*Should more than one pump/hours-recorder assembly exist at the Facility, the Permittee shall calculate the estimated monthly volume for the Facility by adding the estimated monthly volume determined for each pump/hours recorder assembly. This summation should be completed prior to calculating the average daily volume for the Facility.</p>

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	<p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections C and H of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
21.	<p>The Permittee shall on a monthly basis measure the volumes of backwash discharged from the two arsenic treatment systems discharged to the evaporative impoundments during the period.</p> <p>To determine the discharge volume, the Permittee shall obtain readings from totalizing flow meters (As System 1 Meter and As System 2 Meter) located in the arsenic treatment system room on a monthly basis and calculate the monthly and average daily volume discharged to the impoundments. The Permittee shall submit calendar monthly meter readings, calculated monthly discharge volumes and average daily discharge volumes to NMED in the Semi-annual monitoring reports.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections C and H of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
22.	<p>All flow meters shall be capable of having their accuracy verified under working (i.e., real-time in-the-field) conditions. The Permittee shall develop a field verification method for each flow meter and shall utilize that method to check the accuracy of each respective meter. The Permittee shall perform field calibrations, at a minimum, once within 90 days of the issuance date of this Discharge Permit (<b>by DATE</b>). The Permittee shall also perform field calibrations upon repair or replacement of a flow measurement device.</p> <p>The Permittee shall calibrate each flow meter to its manufacturer's recommended specification which shall be no less accurate than plus or minus 10 percent of actual flow, as measured under field conditions. An individual knowledgeable in flow measurement shall perform field calibration and the installation/operation of the device in use. The Permittee shall prepare a flow meter calibration report for each flow measurement device calibration event. The flow meter calibration report shall include the following information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The location and meter identification.</li> <li>b) The method of flow meter field calibration employed.</li> <li>c) The measured accuracy of each flow meter prior to adjustment indicating the positive or negative offset as a percentage of actual flow as determined by an in-field calibration check.</li> <li>d) The measured accuracy of each flow meter following adjustment, if necessary, indicating the positive or negative offset as a percentage of actual flow of the meter.</li> <li>e) Any flow meter repairs made during the previous year or during field calibration.</li> <li>f) The name of the individual performing the calibration and the date of the calibration.</li> </ol>

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	<p>The Permittee shall maintain records of flow meter calibration(s) at a location accessible for review by NMED during Facility inspections.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections C and H of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
23.	<p>The Permittee shall visually inspect flow meters on a monthly basis for evidence of malfunction. The Permittee shall maintain a log of the inspections that includes a date of the inspection, findings and repairs, and the name of the inspector. The Permittee shall make the log available to NMED upon request.</p> <p>If a visual inspection indicates a flow meter is not functioning as required by this Discharge Permit, the Permittee shall repair or replace the meter within 30 days of discovery. For repaired meters, the Permittee shall submit a report to NMED with the next monitoring report following the repair that includes a description of the malfunction; a statement verifying the repair; and a flow meter field calibration report completed in accordance with the requirements of this Discharge Permit. For replacement meters, the Permittee shall submit a report to NMED with the next monitoring report following the replacement that includes a design schematic for the device and a flow meter field calibration report completed in accordance with the requirements of this Discharge Permit.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
24.	<p>The Permittee shall collect a composite wastewater sample on a semi-annual basis (once every six months) from impoundments (SL-01-E and SL-02-W), as long as there is wastewater in the impoundment. The composite sample shall consist of a minimum of six equal aliquots collected equidistantly around the entire perimeter of each evaporative impoundment and thoroughly mixed. The Permittee shall analyze the composite sample for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• TKN;</li><li>• NO<sub>3</sub>-N;</li><li>• TDS;</li><li>• Cl; and</li><li>• Arsenic</li></ul> <p>The Permittee shall ensure the sample is properly prepared, preserved, transported, and analyzed in accordance with the methods authorized in this Discharge Permit. The Permittee shall submit the laboratory analytical data results, including the QA/QC summary and Chain of Custody, to NMED in the semi-annual monitoring reports</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections C and H of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>

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25.	<p>The Permittee shall submit all records of solids and grease removal and disposal to NMED in the semi-annual monitoring reports.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>

**C. CONTINGENCY PLAN**

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26.	<p>In the event that groundwater monitoring indicates that groundwater exceeds a standard identified in Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC in a monitoring well with no previous exceedances of the chemical constituent at the date of issuance of this Discharge Permit, the Permittee shall collect a confirmatory sample from the monitoring well within 15 days of receipt of the initial sampling results to confirm the initial sampling results.</p> <p>Within 60 days of confirmation of groundwater contamination, the Permittee shall submit to NMED a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) that proposes, at a minimum, contaminant source control measures and an implementation schedule. The Permittee shall implement the CAP as approved by NMED.</p> <p>This condition shall apply until the Permittee completes groundwater monitoring for a minimum of eight (8) consecutive quarterly samples demonstrating groundwater does not exceed the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC.</p> <p>Violation of the groundwater standard beyond 180 days after the confirmation of groundwater contamination may cause NMED to require the Permittee to abate water pollution consistent with the requirements and provisions of Section 20.6.2.4101, Section 20.6.2.4103, Subsections C and E of 20.6.2.4106, Section 20.6.2.4107, Section 20.6.2.4108 and Section 20.6.2.4112 NMAC.</p> <p>[20.6.2.3103 NMAC, Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection E of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
27.	<p>In the event that information available to NMED indicates that a well is not constructed in a manner consistent with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance, contains insufficient water to effectively monitor groundwater quality, or is otherwise not completed in a manner that is protective of groundwater quality, the Permittee shall install a replacement well(s) within 120 days following notification from NMED.</p> <p>The Permittee shall survey the replacement monitoring well(s) within 30 days following well completion.</p>

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	<p>The Permittee shall install replacement well(s) at locations approved by NMED prior to installation and shall complete replacement well(s) in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance. The Permittee shall submit well construction and lithologic logs, survey data and a groundwater elevation contour map to NMED within 60 days following well completion.</p> <p>The Permittee shall properly plug and abandon monitoring well(s) requiring replacement upon completion of the replacement monitoring well(s). The Permittee shall complete the well plugging and abandonment, and shall document the abandonment procedures, in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance and all applicable local, state, and federal regulations. The Permittee shall submit a copy of the well abandonment documentation to NMED within 60 days following the replacement well(s) completion.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>
28.	<p>In the event that groundwater flow information obtained pursuant to this Discharge Permit indicates that a monitoring well is not appropriately located, e.g., hydrologically downgradient of the discharge location it is intended to monitor, the Permittee shall install a replacement well within 120 days following notification from NMED. The Permittee shall survey the replacement monitoring well within 30 days following well completion.</p> <p>The Permittee shall install the replacement well at the location approved by NMED prior to installation and shall complete the replacement well in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance. The Permittee shall submit construction and lithologic logs, survey data and a groundwater elevation contour map within 60 days following well completion.</p> <p>The Permittee shall properly plug and abandon a monitoring well requiring replacement upon completion of the replacement monitoring well. The Permittee shall complete the well plugging and abandonment, and shall document the abandonment procedures, in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance and all applicable local, state, and federal regulations. The Permittee shall submit a copy of the well abandonment documentation to NMED within 60 days following the replacement well completion.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>
29.	<p>In the event that an inspection reveals significant damage has occurred or is likely to affect the structural integrity of an impoundment or liner or their ability to contain contaminants, the Permittee shall propose the repair or replacement by submitting a</p>

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	<p>CAP to NMED for approval. The Permittee shall submit the CAP to NMED within 30 days after discovery of the damage or following notification from NMED that significant damage is evident. The Permittee shall ensure the CAP includes a schedule for completion of corrective actions. The Permittee shall initiate implementation of the CAP following approval by NMED.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection C of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
30.	<p>In the event that an impoundment cannot preserve a minimum of two feet of freeboard, the Permittee shall take actions to restore the required freeboard as authorized by this Discharge Permit and all applicable local, state, and federal regulations.</p> <p>In the event that two feet of freeboard cannot be restored within a period of 72 hours following discovery, the Permittee shall propose actions to restore two feet of freeboard by submitting a short-term CAP to NMED for approval. Examples of short-term corrective actions include the pumping and hauling of excess wastewater from the impoundment or reducing the volume of wastewater discharged to the impoundment. The Permittee shall ensure the CAP includes a schedule for completion of corrective actions. The Permittee shall submit the CAP within 15 days following the date the Permittee or the NMED discover the exceedance. The Permittee shall implement the CAP following NMED approval.</p> <p>In the event that the short-term corrective actions fail to restore two feet of freeboard, the Permittee shall submit to NMED a proposal for permanent corrective actions in a long-term CAP. The Permittee shall submit the long-term CAP within 90 days following failure of the short-term CAP. Examples of corrective actions include the installation of an additional storage impoundment or a significant and permanent reduction in the volume of wastewater discharged to the impoundment. The Permittee shall ensure the long-term CAP includes a schedule for completion of corrective actions. The Permittee shall implement the CAP following NMED approval.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>
31.	<p>In the event that a release occurs that is not authorized under this Discharge Permit (commonly known as a “spill”), the Permittee shall take measures to mitigate damage from the unauthorized discharge and initiate the notifications and corrective actions required in Section 20.6.2.1203 NMAC and summarized below. A release is defined as such quantity as may with reasonable probability injure or be detrimental to human health, animal or plant life, or property, or unreasonably interfere with the public welfare or the use of property.</p>

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	<p>Within <u>24 hours</u> following discovery of the unauthorized discharge, the Permittee shall verbally notify NMED and provide the following information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The name, address, and telephone number of the person or persons in charge of the Facility, as well as of the owner and/or operator of the Facility.</li> <li>b) The name and address of the Facility.</li> <li>c) The date, time, location, and duration of the unauthorized discharge.</li> <li>d) The source and cause of unauthorized discharge.</li> <li>e) A description of the unauthorized discharge, including its estimated chemical composition.</li> <li>f) The estimated volume of the unauthorized discharge.</li> <li>g) Any actions taken to mitigate immediate damage from the unauthorized discharge.</li> </ol> <p>Within <u>one week</u> following discovery of the unauthorized discharge, the Permittee shall submit written notification to NMED providing the information listed above and any pertinent updates.</p> <p>Within <u>15 days</u> following discovery of the unauthorized discharge, the Permittee shall submit a CAP to NMED describing any corrective actions previously taken and corrective actions to be taken relative to the unauthorized discharge. The CAP shall include the following information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) A description of proposed actions to mitigate damage from the unauthorized discharge.</li> <li>b) A description of proposed actions to prevent future unauthorized discharges of this nature.</li> <li>c) A schedule for completion of proposed actions.</li> </ol> <p>In the event that the unauthorized discharge causes or may with reasonable probability cause water pollution in excess of the standards and requirements of Section 20.6.2.4103 NMAC, and the water pollution will not be abated within 180 days after notice is required to be given pursuant to Paragraph (1) of Subsection A of 20.6.2.1203 NMAC, NMED may require the Permittee to abate water pollution pursuant to Sections 20.6.2.4000 through 20.6.2.4115 NMAC.</p> <p>The Permittee shall not construe anything in this condition as relieving them of the obligation to comply with all requirements of Section 20.6.2.1203 NMAC.</p> <p>[20.6.2.1203 NMAC]</p>
32.	<p>In the event that NMED or the Permittee identifies any failures of the discharge plan, i.e., the application, or this Discharge Permit not specifically noted herein, NMED may require the Permittee to submit a CAP and a schedule for completion of corrective actions to</p>

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	<p>address the failure(s). Additionally, NMED may require a discharge permit modification to achieve compliance with 20.6.2 NMAC.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection E of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>

**D. CLOSURE PLAN**

***Permanent Facility Closure Conditions***

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33.	<p>The Permittee shall perform the following closure measures in the event the Facility, or a component thereof, is proposed to be permanently closed.</p> <p>Within <u>60 days</u> of ceasing to discharge to the impoundment(s), the Permittee shall plug the impoundment influent lines so that a discharge can no longer occur.</p> <p>Within <u>60 days</u> of ceasing to discharge to the impoundment(s), the Permittee shall evaporate or drain all wastewater from the impoundment and any other wastewater system component and disposed of it in accordance with all local, state, and federal regulations.</p> <p>Within <u>90 days</u> of ceasing to discharge to the impoundment(s), the Permittee shall submit a sludge removal and disposal plan to NMED for approval. The Permittee shall implement the plan within 30 days following approval by NMED. The sludge removal and disposal plan shall include the following information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The estimated volume and dry weight of sludge planned for removal and disposal, including measurements and calculations.</li> <li>b) Analytical results for samples of the sludge taken from the impoundment for TKN, NO<sub>3</sub>-N, percent total solids, and any other parameters tested (reported in mg/kg, dry weight basis).</li> <li>c) The method of sludge <i>removal</i> from the impoundment(s).</li> <li>d) The method of <i>disposal</i> for all the sludge (and its contents) removed from the impoundment(s). The method shall comply with all local, state and federal regulations, including 40 CFR Part 503. <i>Note: A proposal that includes the surface disposal of sludge may be subject to Groundwater Discharge Permitting requirements pursuant to 20.6.2.3104 NMAC that are separate from the requirements of this Discharge Permit.</i></li> <li>e) A schedule for completion of sludge removal and disposal not to exceed two years from the date discharge to the impoundment(s) ceased.</li> </ol>

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	<p>Within <u>one year</u> following completion of the sludge removal and disposal, the Permittee shall complete the following closure measures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Remove all lines leading to and from the impoundment(s), or permanently plug and abandon the lines in place.</li><li>b) Remove or demolish any other wastewater system components and re-grade area with suitable fill to blend with surface topography, promote positive drainage and prevent ponding.</li><li>c) Characterize, remove, and dispose of all solids from the impoundments in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations, and maintain a record of solids transported for off-site disposal, including the volume of solids transported and the disposal location.</li><li>d) Remove and dispose of the impoundment liners at a solid waste facility. If there is evidence of contaminated soil below the liners, assess the impact, report that assessment to NMED, and mitigate the impacts following NMED approval.</li><li>e) Fill the impoundment(s) with suitable fill.</li><li>f) Re-grade the impoundment site and the locations of ancillary equipment, e.g., influent piping, to blend with surface topography, promote positive drainage and prevent ponding.</li></ul> <p>Within 90 days of ceasing discharge to the Septic Tank, the Permittee shall complete the following closure measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Plug all lines leading to and from the closed system(s) so that a discharge can no longer occur.</li><li>b) Wastewater, septage, and grease interceptor waste shall be pumped from the system components (e.g., septic tanks, grease trap/interceptors, lift stations, dosing chambers, distribution boxes) and it shall be contained, transported, and disposed of in accordance with all local, state, and federal regulations, including 40 CFR Part 503. The Permittee shall maintain a record of all wastes transported for off-site disposal.</li></ul> <p>Within 180 days of ceasing discharge to the septic tank (or closed system components), the Permittee shall complete the following closure measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Remove all lines leading to and from the closed system(s) or permanently plug them and abandon them in place.</li><li>b) Remove or demolish all closed septic tanks, grease trap/interceptors, lift stations, dosing chambers, distribution boxes or other system(s) components and re-grade the area with suitable fill to blend with surface topography to promote positive drainage and prevent ponding.</li></ul> <p>The Permittee shall continue groundwater monitoring until the Permittee meets the requirements of this condition met and groundwater monitoring confirms for a minimum</p>

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	<p>of eight consecutive quarterly groundwater sampling events that groundwater does not exceed the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC. This period is referred to as “post-closure.”</p> <p>If at any time monitoring results show an exceedance of a groundwater quality standard in Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC, the Permittee shall implement the Contingency Plan required by this Discharge Permit.</p> <p>Following notification from NMED that the Permittee may cease post-closure monitoring, the Permittee shall plug and abandon the monitoring well(s) in accordance with the attached Monitoring Well Guidance.</p> <p>When the Permittee has met all closure and post-closure requirements and verified appropriate actions with date stamped photographic evidence or an associated NMED inspection, the Permittee may submit to NMED a written request, including photographic evidence, for termination of the Discharge Permit.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsection D of 20.6.2.4103 NMAC, 40 CFR Part 503]</p>

**E. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

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34.	<p><b>RECORD KEEPING</b> - The Permittee shall maintain a written record of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information and data used to complete the application for this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>• Information, data, and documents demonstrating completion of closure activities;</li> <li>• Any releases (commonly known as “spills”) not authorized under this Discharge Permit and reports submitted pursuant to 20.6.2.1203 NMAC;</li> <li>• The operation, maintenance, and repair of all facilities/equipment used to treat, store or dispose of wastewater;</li> <li>• Facility record drawings (plans and specifications) showing the actual construction of the Facility and bear the seal and signature of a licensed New Mexico professional engineer;</li> <li>• Copies of logs, inspection reports, and monitoring reports completed and/or submitted to NMED pursuant to this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>• The volume of wastewater or other wastes discharged pursuant to this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>• Groundwater quality and wastewater quality data collected pursuant to this Discharge Permit;</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Copies of construction records (well log) for all sampled groundwater monitoring wells pursuant to this Discharge Permit;</li> <li>• The maintenance, repair, replacement or calibration of any monitoring equipment or flow measurement devices required by this Discharge Permit; and</li> <li>• Data and information related to field measurements, sampling, and analysis conducted pursuant to this Discharge Permit, including:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the dates, location and times of sampling or field measurements;</li> <li>○ the name and job title of the individuals who performed each sample collection or field measurement;</li> <li>○ the sample analysis date of each sample;</li> <li>○ the name and address of the laboratory, and the name of the signatory authority for the laboratory analysis;</li> <li>○ the analytical technique or method used to analyze each sample or collect each field measurement;</li> <li>○ the results of each analysis or field measurement, including raw data;</li> <li>○ the results of any split, spiked, duplicate or repeat sample; and</li> <li>○ a copy of the laboratory analysis chain-of-custody as well as a description of the quality assurance and quality control procedures used.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The Permittee shall maintain the written record at a location accessible to NMED during a Facility inspection for a minimum of five years. The Permittee shall make the record available to NMED upon request.</p> <p>[Subsections A and D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>
35.	<p>SUBMITTALS – The Permittee shall submit both a paper copy and an electronic copy of all notification and reporting documents required by this Discharge Permit, e.g., monitoring reports. The Permittee shall submit paper and electronic documents to the NMED Permit Contact identified on the Permit cover page.</p> <p>[Subsection A of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>
36.	<p>INSPECTION and ENTRY – The Permittee shall allow NMED to inspect the Facility and its operations that are subject to this Discharge Permit and the WQCC regulations. NMED may upon presentation of proper credentials, enter at reasonable times upon or through any premises in which a water contaminant source is located or in which any maintained records required by this Discharge Permit, the regulations of the federal government, or the WQCC are located.</p> <p>The Permittee shall allow NMED to have access to and reproduce for their use any copy of the records, and to perform assessments, sampling or monitoring during an inspection</p>

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	<p>for the purpose of evaluating compliance with this Discharge Permit and the WQCC regulations.</p> <p>No person shall construe anything in this Discharge Permit as limiting in any way the inspection and entry authority of NMED under the WQA, the WQCC Regulations, or any other local, state or federal regulations.</p> <p>[Subsection D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 74-6-9.B and 74-6-9.E]</p>
37.	<p>DUTY to PROVIDE INFORMATION - The Permittee shall, upon NMED's request, allow for NMED's inspection/duplication of records required by this Discharge Permit and/or furnish to NMED copies of such records.</p> <p>[Subsection D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC]</p>
38.	<p>MODIFICATIONS and/or AMENDMENTS – In the event the Permittee proposes a change to the Facility or the Facility's discharge that would result in a change in the volume discharged; the location of the discharge; or in the amount or character of water contaminants received, treated or discharged by the Facility, the Permittee shall notify NMED prior to implementing such changes. The Permittee shall obtain NMED's approval (which may require modification of this Discharge Permit) prior to implementing such changes.</p> <p>[Subsection C of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC, Subsections E and G of 20.6.2.3109 NMAC]</p>
39.	<p>PLANS and SPECIFICATIONS – In the event the Permittee proposes to construct a wastewater system or change a process unit of an existing system such that the quantity or quality of the discharge will change substantially from that authorized by this Discharge Permit, the Permittee shall submit construction plans and specifications of the proposed system or process unit to NMED for approval prior to the commencement of construction.</p> <p>In the event the Permittee implements changes to the wastewater system authorized by this Discharge Permit that result in only a minor effect on the character of the discharge, the Permittee shall report such changes (including the submission of record drawings where applicable) to NMED prior to implementation.</p> <p>[Subsections A and C of 20.6.2.1202 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 61-23-1 through 61-23-32]</p>
40.	<p>CIVIL PENALTIES - Any violation of the requirements and conditions of this Discharge Permit, including any failure to allow NMED staff to enter and inspect records or facilities, or any refusal or failure to provide NMED with records or information, may subject the</p>

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	<p>Permittee to a civil enforcement action. Pursuant to WQA 74-6-10(A) and (B), such action may include a compliance order requiring compliance immediately or in a specified time, assessing a civil penalty, modifying or terminating the Discharge Permit, or any combination of the foregoing; or an action in district court seeking injunctive relief, civil penalties, or both. Pursuant to WQA 74-6-10(C) and 74-6-10.1, civil penalties of up to \$15,000 per day of noncompliance may be assessed for each violation of the WQA 74-6-5, the WQCC Regulations, or this Discharge Permit, and civil penalties of up to \$10,000 per day of noncompliance may be assessed for each violation of any other provision of the WQA, or any regulation, standard, or order adopted pursuant to such other provision. In any action to enforce this Discharge Permit, the Permittee waives any objection to the admissibility as evidence of any data generated pursuant to this Discharge Permit.</p> <p>[20.6.2.1220 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 74-6-10 and 74-6-10.1]</p>
41.	<p><b>CRIMINAL PENALTIES – No person shall:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make any false material statement, representation, certification or omission of material fact in an application, record, report, plan or other document filed, submitted or maintained under the WQA;</li> <li>• Falsify, tamper with or render inaccurate any monitoring device, method or record maintained under the WQA; or</li> <li>• Fail to monitor, sample or report as required by a permit issued pursuant to a state or federal law or regulation.</li> </ul> <p>Any person who knowingly violates or knowingly causes or allows another person to violate the requirements of this condition is guilty of a fourth-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15. Any person who is convicted of a second or subsequent violation of the requirements of this condition is guilty of a third-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15. Any person who knowingly violates the requirements of this condition or knowingly causes another person to violate the requirements of this condition and thereby causes a substantial adverse environmental impact is guilty of a third-degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15. Any person who knowingly violates the requirements of this condition and knows at the time of the violation that he is creating a substantial danger of death or serious bodily injury to any other person is guilty of a second degree felony and shall be sentenced in accordance with the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 31-18-15.</p> <p>[20.6.2.1220 NMAC, NMSA 1978, §§ 74-6-10.2.A through 74-6-10.2.F]</p>
42.	<p><b>COMPLIANCE with OTHER LAWS - Nothing in this Discharge Permit shall be construed in any way as relieving the Permittee of the obligation to comply with any other applicable</b></p>

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	<p>federal, state, and/or local laws, regulations, zoning requirements, nuisance ordinances, permits or orders.</p> <p>[NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.L]</p>
43.	<p>RIGHT to APPEAL - The Permittee may file a petition for review before the WQCC on this Discharge Permit. Such petition shall be in writing to the WQCC within thirty days of the receipt of postal notice of this Discharge Permit and shall include a statement of the issues raised and the relief sought. Unless the Permittee files a timely petition for review, the decision of NMED shall be final and not subject to judicial review.</p> <p>[20.6.2.3112 NMAC, NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.O]</p>
44.	<p>TRANSFER of DISCHARGE PERMIT - Prior to the transfer of any ownership, control, or possession of this Facility or any portion thereof, the Permittee shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Notify the proposed transferee in writing of the existence of this Discharge Permit;</li><li>• Include a copy of this Discharge Permit with the notice; and</li><li>• Deliver or send by certified mail to NMED a copy of the notification and proof that the proposed transferee has received such notification.</li></ul> <p>The Permittee shall continue to be responsible for any discharge from the Facility, until both ownership and possession of the Facility have been transferred to the transferee.</p> <p>[20.6.2.3111 NMAC]</p>
45.	<p>PERMIT FEES – The Permittee shall be aware that the payment of permit fees is due at the time of Discharge Permit approval. The Permittee may pay the permit fees in a single payment or they may pay the fee in equal installments on a yearly basis over the term of the Discharge Permit. The Permittee shall remit single payments to NMED no later than 30 days after the Discharge Permit issuance date. The Permittee shall remit initial installment payments to NMED no later than 30 days after the Discharge Permit issuance date; with subsequent installment payments remitted to NMED no later than the anniversary of the Discharge Permit issuance date.</p> <p>Permit fees are associated with <u>issuance</u> of this Discharge Permit. No person shall construe anything in this Discharge Permit as relieving the Permittee of the obligation to pay all permit fees assessed by NMED. A Permittee that ceases discharging or does not commence discharging from the Facility during the term of the Discharge Permit shall pay all permit fees assessed by NMED. NMED shall suspend or terminate an approved Discharge Permit if the Permittee fails to remit an installment payment by its due date.</p>

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	[Subsection F of 20.6.2.3114 NMAC, NMSA 1978, § 74-6-5.K]

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## New Mexico Environment Department Ground Water Quality Bureau Discharge Permit Summary

### Facility Information

<b>Facility Name</b>	La Promesa Elementary School
<b>Discharge Permit Number</b>	DP-1285
<b>Legally Responsible Party</b>	Belen Consolidated Schools La Promesa Elementary School Lawrence Sanchez, Superintendent Justin Gallegos, Maintenance Supervisor 520 North Main Street Belen, New Mexico, 87002 (505) 966-1000 (505) 966-1710

### Treatment, Disposal and Site Information

<b>Primary Waste Type</b>	Domestic Waste
<b>Facility Type</b>	Evaporative Impoundments

#### Treatment Methods

Type	Designation	Description & Comments
Arsenic Treatment System	Arsenic Treatment System	Arsenic treatment for drinking water. Backwash is discharged into the treatment pond
Grease Interceptor	Grease Interceptor	1,100-gallon grease interceptor. Located on the northeast corner of the main building at 34.4469N 106.7730W
Septic Tank	Septic Tank	8,000-gallon septic tank. Located North of the Lift Station at 34.4461N 106.7745W
Lift Station	Lift Station	Located North of SL-02 W at 34.4456N 106.7746W

#### Discharge Locations

Type	Designation	Description & Comments
Impoundment	SL-01-E	East impoundment. One of two 616,742-gallon synthetically lined evaporative impoundments in parallel which receive domestic wastewater from the Lift Station and backwash from the arsenic treatment systems for the potable water supply, located at 34.4447 N 106.7744 W
Impoundment	SL-02-W	West impoundment. One of two 616,742-gallon synthetically lined evaporative impoundments in parallel which receive domestic wastewater from the Lift Station and backwash from the arsenic treatment systems for the potable water supply, located at 34.4448 N 106.774 W





## New Mexico Environment Department Ground Water Quality Bureau Discharge Permit Summary

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**New Mexico Environment Department Ground Water Quality Bureau  
Discharge Permit Renewal**

**Summary of Permit Conditions Requiring an Action**

**La Promesa Elementary School, DP-1285**

Effective Date: date

**A. RECURRING REQUIRED ACTIONS**

<b>#</b>	<b>Description of Required Action</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Reporting Due Dates</b>
<b>1.</b>	Inspect the septic tank for the accumulation of scum and solids.	semiannual	1 <sup>st</sup> of February and August
<b>2.</b>	Inspect the grease interceptor and remove accumulated grease and settled solids as needed to prevent them from exiting the unit.	monthly	1 <sup>st</sup> of February and August
<b>3.</b>	Inspect the lift station and clean as needed to prevent pump failure.		1 <sup>st</sup> of February and August
<b>4.</b>	Conduct groundwater sampling in the following monitoring wells: MW-1A, MW-1, MW-2, MW-3, and MW-4, and analyze the samples for TKN, NO <sub>3</sub> -N, TDS, and Cl.  _____	semiannual	1 <sup>st</sup> of February and August
	Depth-to-most-shallow groundwater measurements, analytical results, including the laboratory QA/QC summary report, and a facility layout map showing the location and number of each well.		
<b>5.</b>	Develop a groundwater elevation contour map.  _____	semiannual	1 <sup>st</sup> of February and August
	Depth-to-most-shallow groundwater measurements, referenced to mean sea level, obtained from the groundwater monitoring wells.		
<b>6.</b>	Measure the monthly volume of wastewater discharged to the evaporative impoundments.	Monthly	1 <sup>st</sup> of February and August
<b>7.</b>	Collect a composite wastewater sample from whichever impoundment is being used, either SL-01-E or SL-02-W, and analyze for TKN, NO <sub>3</sub> -N, TDS, Cl, and Arsenic.	Semi-annual basis (once every six months)	1 <sup>st</sup> of February and August
<b>8.</b>	Submit all records of solids and grease removal and disposal.		1 <sup>st</sup> of February and August

**NOTE:** This document is intended as a reminder only. See Discharge Permit for full requirement details.

## Summary of Permit Conditions Requiring an Action

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