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## PUBLIC NOTICE

# Groundwater Discharge Permit Applications Submitted to the Department for Review

### October 6, 2023

Dear Interested Party,

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Ground Water Quality Bureau (GWQB) hereby provides notice pursuant to 20.6.2.3108 NMAC that the following Groundwater Discharge Permit applications have been submitted to NMED for review. Provided the applicant has met applicable requirements, NMED will propose for approval a Discharge Permit containing limitations, monitoring requirements, and other conditions intended to protect groundwater quality for present and potential future use.

NMED will accept comments and statements of interest regarding the application and will create a facility specific mailing list for persons who wish to receive future notices. NMED is developing a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) to provide public participation opportunities and information that may be needed for the community to participate in the permitting process. The PIP will be posted online at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> and placed at the NMED field office nearest to the proposed permitted activity. To learn more about a Discharge Permit and the permitting process or to be placed on a facility-specific mailing list, please contact the NMED Permit Contact at the telephone number or email address provided or address correspondence to the GWQB, PO Box 5469, Santa Fe, NM 87502-5469.

In the future, NMED will publish a second public notice providing a draft permit and will seek public comment on the draft. You will be able to add the comment period to your calendar simply through our Events Calendar located at <https://www.env.nm.gov/events-calendar/>.

If you are a non-English speaker, do not speak English well, or if you have a disability, you may contact the NMED Permit Contact to request assistance, an interpreter, or an auxiliary aid in order to learn more about a Discharge Permit or the permitting process, or to participate in activities associated with the permitting process. To the extent possible, NMED will arrange for requested interpretation services and accommodations or services for persons with disabilities. Telephone conversation assistance is available through Relay New Mexico at no charge for people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have difficulty speaking on the phone, by calling 1-800-659-1779; TTY users: 1-800-659-8331; Spanish: 1-800-327-1857. Telephone interpretation assistance for persons that are a non-English speaker or do not speak English well is available at no charge when calling NMED.

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Enclosure: Groundwater Discharge Permit Applications Submitted for Review.



### Discharge Permit: DP-837, Leprino Foods Company - Roswell

- County: Chaves | Closest City: Roswell
- Applicant: Lance Fitzsimmons, Executive Vice President, 1830 W 38th Avenue, Denver, CO 80211
- NMED Permit Contact: Jaben Richards, Acting Agriculture Section Manager, Jaben.Richards@env.nm.gov or acs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-8376 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-837, Leprino Foods Company - Roswell proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 1,700,000 gallons per day of wastewater from the production area of a food processing facility. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 5600 Omaha Road, approximately 4 miles southeast of Roswell, in Sections 26 and 35, Township 11 South, Range 24 East, Chaves County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 37.5 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 2,420 milligrams per liter.

### Discharge Permit: DP-1759, City of Texico Wastewater Treatment Facility

- County: Curry |Closest City: Texico
- Applicant: City of Texico, Jerry Bradley, Mayor, P.O. Box 208, 219 Griffin Street, Texico, NM 88135
- NMED Permit Contact: Andrew Romero, Water Resource Professional, AndrewC.Romero@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-8624 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-1759, City of Texico Wastewater Treatment Facility: The City of Texico proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 170,000 gallons per day of domestic wastewater to a treatment and disposal system. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 824 State Line Road, Texico, in Section 15, Township 02 North, Range 37 East, Curry County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 360 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of less than 200 milligrams per liter.

### Discharge Permit: DP-1076, Santa Teresa Wastewater Treatment Facility

- County: Doña Ana |Closest City: Santa Teresa
- Applicant: Camino Real Regional Utility Authority (CRRUA), Brent Westmoreland, Executive Director, P.O. Box 429, Sunland Park, NM 88063
- NMED Permit Contact: Lochlin Farrell, Geoscientist, Lochlin.Farrell@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: (505) 660-8061 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-1076, Santa Teresa Wastewater Treatment Facility: Camino Real Regional Utility Authority proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for closure activities of the domestic wastewater system. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 5540 McNutt Road, Santa Teresa, in Section 22 (projected), Township 28 South, Range 03 East, Doña Ana County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 10 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 900 milligrams per liter.



### Discharge Permit: DP-1964, Jurado Inc.

- County: Doña Ana | Closest City: Las Cruces
- Applicant: Pete Jurado, President, 300 S. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007
- NMED Permit Contact: Aracely Tellez, Water Resource Professional, Aracely.Tellez@env.nm.gov or acs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-629-8864 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-1964, Jurado Inc.: Pete Jurado proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 12,000 gallons per day of wastewater from the production area of a chile facility. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility and discharge locations are located at 300 South Motel Blvd, Las Cruces, in Section 23, Township 23 South, Range 01 East, Dona Ana County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 36 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 904 milligrams per liter.

### Discharge Permit: DP-1403, Continental Mine

- County: Grant | Closest City: Silver City
- Applicant: Freeport McMoRan-Chino Mines Company, Randy Ellison, General Manager, PO Box 10, Bayard, NM 88023
- NMED Permit Contact: David W. Mercer, Water Resources Professional, david.mercer1@env.nm.gov or mecs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-372-8545 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-1403, Continental Mine: Randy Ellison, General Manager, Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company, proposes to renew Discharge Permit 1403 for authorization of a proposed closure plan to control the discharge of water contaminants from the Continental Mine Facility into ground and surface water following closure of mine units at the Continental Mine. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include total dissolved solids, sulfate, and metals. The facility is located 1/2 mile west of Fierro, New Mexico, in Sections 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 20, 21, 29, 31, and 32, Township 17 South, Range 12 West, Grant County. Groundwater beneath the site ranges from a depth of approximately 1 to 200 feet below ground surface and has a total dissolved solids concentration range from approximately 350 to 1,400 milligrams per liter.

### Discharge Permit: DP-1311, Village of Roy Wastewater Treatment Facility

- County: Harding | Closest City: Roy
- Applicant: Village of Roy, Edward DeHerrera, Mayor, PO Box 8, Roy, NM 87743
- NMED Permit Contact: Lochlin Farrell, Geoscientist, Lochlin.Farrell@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: (505) 660-8061 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-1311, Village of Roy Wastewater Treatment Facility: Village of Roy proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 40,000 gallons per day of domestic wastewater to a treatment and disposal system. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located approximately 0.7 miles northeast of the Village of Roy, in Section 21, Township 20 North, Range 26 East, Harding County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 32 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 676 milligrams per liter.



### Discharge Permit: DP-1696, City of Tucumcari Effluent Disposal Site

- County: Quay | Closest City: Tucumcari
- Applicant: City of Tucumcari
- NMED Permit Contact: Amanda Otieno, Water Resource Professional, Amanda.Otieno@env.nm.gov or acs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-819-1219 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-1696, City of Tucumcari Effluent Disposal Site: City of Tucumcari proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 1.2 million gallons per day of domestic wastewater to a reclaimed reuse area. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 1700 North Rock Island, approximately 2.5 miles north of Tucumcari, in Sections 1, 2, and 12, Township 11 North, Range 30 East and Section 36, Township 12 North, Range 30 East, Quay County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 6 to 20 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 212 milligrams per liter.

### Discharge Permit: DP-1967, Portales Country Club

- County: Roosevelt | Closest City: Portales
- Applicant: Jerry Partin, President, PO Box 147, Portales, NM, 88130
- NMED Permit Contact: Kambray Townsend, Water Resource Professional, kambray.townsend@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-538-0497 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-1967, Portales Country Club proposes the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 500,000 gallons per day of reclaimed domestic wastewater to a reuse area. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 523 South Roosevelt Road U, approximately 2.8 miles west of Portales, in Section 33, Township 1 South, Range 34 East, Roosevelt County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 84 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 274 milligrams per liter.



## Discharge Permit: DP-800, Sierra County Collection Center - Septage Disposal Facility

- County: Sierra | Closest City: Truth or Consequences
- Applicant: Sierra County, Amber Vaughn, Sierra County Manager, 1712 N. Date, Suite D, Truth or Consequences, NM 87901
- NMED Permit Contact: Gerald Knutson, Water Resource Professional, [Gerald.Knutson@env.nm.gov](mailto:Gerald.Knutson@env.nm.gov) or [pps.general@env.nm.gov](mailto:pps.general@env.nm.gov), Telephone: 505-660-7189 or 505-827-2900.

**Notice:** DP-800, Sierra County Collection Center - Septage Disposal Facility: Sierra County proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for closure activities. Dried domestic septage will be disposed of at a land surface disposal area. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at NM Highway 52, approximately 8.5 miles northwest of Truth or Consequences, in Section 19, Township 12 South, Range 04 West and Section 24 Township 12 South, Range 05 West, Sierra County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 450 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 340 milligrams per liter.

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