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PUBLIC NOTICE

Groundwater Discharge Permits Proposed for Approval

February 27, 2026

Dear Interested Party,

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Ground Water Quality Bureau (GWQB) hereby provides notice that the following Groundwater Discharge Permits have been proposed for approval. NMED will allow 30 days after the date of publication of this notice (or as otherwise provided below) for submittal of written comments and/or a request for a public hearing for a permitting action. You can add the comment period to your calendar through our Events Calendar located at <https://www.env.nm.gov/events-calendar/>. You can now submit your comments online using the Public Comment Portal located at <https://nmed.commentinput.com/>. Requests for public hearing shall be in writing and shall set forth the reasons why a hearing should be held. A hearing will be held if NMED determines that there is substantial public interest. After the administrative record for a permitting action is complete and all required information is available, NMED will approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove the Permit based on the administrative record.

NMED maintains a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) for each permitting action to plan for providing public participation opportunities and information that may be needed for the community to participate in a permitting process. PIPs may be viewed on-line at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/>, at the NMED field office nearest to the proposed permitted activity, or by contacting the NMED Permit Contact identified below. NMED also maintains facility-specific mailing lists for persons wishing to receive associated notices for a permitting action.

To learn more about a Discharge Permit and the permitting process, to be placed on a facility-specific mailing list, or to obtain a copy of a draft permit or PIP, please contact the NMED Permit Contact at the telephone number or address provided below. Draft permits may be viewed on-line at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> under the tab for the facility's county. Comments or a request for hearing regarding a draft permit should be addressed to the GWQB, PO Box 5469, Santa Fe, NM 87502-5469, or emailed to the NMED Permit Contact.

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

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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; Spanish: 1-800-327-1857; TTY users: 1-800-659-8331. 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.

NMED does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, age or sex in the administration of its programs or activities, as required by applicable laws and regulations. NMED is responsible for coordination of compliance efforts and receipt of inquiries concerning non-discrimination requirements implemented by 40 C.F.R. Parts 5 and 7, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972. If you have any questions about this notice or any of NMED's non-discrimination programs, policies or procedures, you may contact: Kate Cardenas, Non-Discrimination Coordinator, New Mexico Environment Department, 1190 St. Francis Dr., Suite N4050, P.O. Box 5469, Santa Fe, NM 87502, (505) 827-2855, nd.coordinator@env.nm.gov. If you believe that you have been discriminated against with respect to a NMED program or activity, you may contact the Non-Discrimination Coordinator identified above or visit our website at <https://www.env.nm.gov/general/environmental-justice-in-new-mexico/> to learn how and where to file a complaint of discrimination.

Enclosure: Groundwater Discharge Permits Proposed for Approval

Discharge Permit: DP-526, Whitewater Leach System

- County: Grant |Closest City: Silver City
- Applicant: Randy B. Ellison, General Manager, PO Box 10, Bayard, NM 88023
- NMED Permit Contact: Jordan Anderson, Senior Water Resources Professional, Jordan.Anderson@env.nm.gov or mecs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-8908 or 505-827-2900.
- Draft permits may be viewed on-line at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> under the tab for the facility's county.
- The Public Involvement Plan may be viewed online at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> or at the NMED office in Silver City: 3082 32nd Street Bypass, Suite D, Silver City 88061.
- Written comments or requests for a hearing for DP-526 accepted until 5:00 p.m. MST, March 30, 2026.

Notice: DP-526, Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company, Randy B. Ellison, General Manager, proposes to renew and modify the existing Whitewater Leach System Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 24,500,000 gallons per day of acidic leach solution (raffinate) applied for leaching copper from two stockpiles. The modification consists of incorporating the Ivanhoe Mill and Concentrator area previously permitted under DP-213. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include total dissolved solids, sulfate, and metals. The facility is located 2 miles northeast of Bayard in Sections 28, 29, 32, 33, and 34, Township 17 South, Range 12 West; and Sections 3, 4, and 5, Township 18 South, Range 12 West, Grant County. Groundwater beneath the site is at a depth of approximately 0-300 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration range from approximately 266-1,000 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-286, 3A Leach Stockpile, 3B and 5A Waste Rock Stockpiles, and Reclaimed Mill Site

- County: Grant | Closest City: Silver City
- Applicant: Freeport-McMoRan Tyrone Mine Inc., P.O. Drawer 571, Tyrone, NM 88065
- NMED Permit Contact: David Hays, Water Resources Professional, david.hays@env.nm.gov or mecs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-469-8722 or 505-827-2900.
- Draft permits may be viewed on-line at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> under the tab for the facility's county.
- The Public Involvement Plan may be viewed online at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> or at the NMED office in Silver City: 3082 32nd Street Bypass, Suite D, Silver City 88061.
- Written comments or requests for a hearing for DP-286 accepted until 5:00 p.m. MST, March 30, 2026.

Notice: DP-286; 3A Leach Stockpile, 3B and 5A Waste Rock Stockpiles, and Reclaimed Mill Site: Freeport-McMoRan Tyrone Mine Inc. Randy B. Ellison, General Manager, proposes to renew the discharge permit for the discharge of up to 23,000,000 gallons per day of acidic leach solution (raffinate) applied for leaching copper from a stockpile. DP-286 also includes the 3B and 5A Waste Rock Stockpiles, a reclaimed Mill Site, two domestic wastewater evaporation ponds, and associated facilities. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include total dissolved solids, sulfate, and metals. The facility is located 10 miles southwest of Silver City at the Tyrone Mine in Sections 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 23, and 24, Township 19 South, Range 15 West, Grant County, New Mexico. Groundwater most likely to be affected ranges in depth from approximately 20 to 50 feet below ground surface and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration ranging from approximately 100 to 500 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-1524, Rancho Dal Paso's Adobe Village

- County: Lea | Closest City: Hobbs
- Applicant: Migel Corral, CEO, Little MAC Properties, LLC, 1250 East Everglade Street, Hobbs, NM 88240
- 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.
- Draft permits may be viewed on-line at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> under the tab for the facility's county.
- The Public Involvement Plan may be viewed online at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> or at the NMED office in Hobbs: 2120 N. Alto, Hobbs, NM 88240.
- Written comments or requests for a hearing for DP-1524 accepted until 5:00 p.m. MST, March 30, 2026.

Notice: DP-1524, Rancho Dal Paso's Adobe Village: Little MAC Properties, LLC proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for groundwater monitoring. No discharge will occur under this permit. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 7116 North Dal Paso, Hobbs, in Section 2, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, Lea County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 112 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 450 milligrams per liter.



Discharge Permit: DP-1422, Linde Inc. - Kirtland Facility

- County: San Juan | Closest City: Kirtland
- Applicant: Linde Inc., David Slocomb, Associate Director of Operations, P.O. Box 127, Kirtland, NM 87417
- NMED Permit Contact: Melanie Sandoval, Industrial Team Lead, Melanie.Sandoval2@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-7892 or 505-827-2900.
- Draft permits may be viewed on-line at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> under the tab for the facility's county.
- The Public Involvement Plan may be viewed online at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> or at the NMED office in Farmington: 1800 E 30th Street, Suite B, Farmington, NM 87401.
- Written comments or requests for a hearing for DP-1422 accepted until 5:00 p.m. MST, March 30, 2026.

Notice: DP-1422, Linde Inc. - Kirtland Facility: Linde Inc. Corporation proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 23,000 gallons per day of industrial wastewater to a treatment and disposal system. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include organic compounds and metals. The facility is located at 101 County Road 6500, Kirtland, in Section 1, Township 29 North, Range 15 West, San Juan County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 15-20 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 8,600-14,000 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-1871, San Ysidro Waste Site

- County: Sandoval | Closest City: San Ysidro
- Applicant: Shawn Benavidez, Owner, P.O. Box 45983, Rio Rancho, NM 87174
- NMED Permit Contact: Melanie Sandoval, Industrial Team Lead, Melanie.Sandoval2@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-7892 or 505-827-2900.
- Draft permits may be viewed on-line at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> under the tab for the facility's county.
- The Public Involvement Plan may be viewed online at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> or at the NMED office in Rio Rancho: 4359 Jager Drive NE, Suite B, Rio Rancho, NM 87144
- Written comments or requests for a hearing for DP-1871 accepted until 5:00 p.m. MST, March 30, 2026.

Notice: DP-1871, San Ysidro Waste Site: Shawn Benavidez proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 9,999 gallons per day of domestic septage and food-related grease trap/interceptor waste to a disposal system. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 38 Sandia Drive, approximately 1 mile southwest of San Ysidro, in Section 12, Township 15 North, Range 01 East, Sandoval County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 80 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 1,400 milligrams per liter.



Discharge Permit: DP-1889, Los Lunas Wastewater Treatment Plant Effluent Loadout Station

- County: Valencia | Closest City: Los Lunas
- Applicant: Village of Los Lunas, Michael Jaramillo, Public Works Director, 660 Main St., Los Lunas, NM 87031
- NMED Permit Contact: Brad Jones, Senior Water Resource Professional, (505) 490-5283 or (505) 827-2900, brad.jones@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov
- Draft permits may be viewed on-line at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> under the tab for the facility's county.
- The Public Involvement Plan may be viewed online at <https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/> or at the NMED office in Los Lunas: 475 Courthouse Road SE Suite B, Los Lunas, NM 87031.
- Written comments or requests for a hearing for DP-1889 accepted until 5:00 p.m. MST, March 30, 2026.

Notice: DP-1889, Los Lunas Wastewater Treatment Plant Effluent Loadout Station: Village of Los Lunas proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 96,000 gallons per day of reclaimed domestic wastewater to temporary reuse areas. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 1781 Heaton Loop, Los Lunas, in Section 33, Township 07 North, Range 02 East, Valencia County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 4 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 150 milligrams per liter.

END OF PUBLIC NOTICE

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