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PUBLIC NOTICE

Groundwater Discharge Permit Applications Submitted to the Department for Review

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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-163, P7, LLC

- County: Chaves | Closest City: Roswell
- Applicant: Paul Pirtle, Owner; PO Box 3899, Roswell, NM 88202
- NMED Permit Contact: Sarah F. Schnell, Senior Water Resource Professional, Sarah.Schnell@env.nm.gov or acs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-8368 or 505-827-2900.

Notice: DP-163 P7, LLC, Paul Pirtle proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 99,999 gallons per day of wastewater from the production area of a dairy facility. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility and discharge locations are located at 3852 Hobson Road, approximately 6.5 miles southeast of Roswell, in Sections 31 and 32, Township 11 South, Range 25 East, Chaves County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 26 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 2,800 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-1111, West Wind Dairy LLC

- County: Curry | Closest City: Clovis
- Applicant: Jonathan Vander Dussen, 948 CR O, Clovis, NM 88101
- NMED Permit Contact: Sarah F. Schnell, Senior Water Resource Professional, Sarah.Schnell@env.nm.gov or acs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-8368 or 505-827-2900.

Notice: DP-1111, West Wind Dairy, LLC: Jonathan Vander Dussen proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 120,000 gallons per day of wastewater from the production area of a dairy facility. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility and discharge locations are located at 1461 CR 6, Clovis, NM 88101, approximately 6 miles southwest of Clovis, in Sections 3 and 4, Township 01 North, Range 35 East, Curry County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 307 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 340 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-1907, Mesquite Waste Disposal

- County: Dona Ana | Closest City: Mesquite
- Applicant: Wilfred E. Binns, Owner, Mesquite Waste Disposal Company, LLC, 2700 Missouri Avenue, Suite 1, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88011
- NMED Permit Contact: Gerald Knutson, Senior Water Resource Professional, Gerald.Knutson@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-7189 or 505-827-2900.

Notice: DP-1907, Mesquite Waste Disposal Company, LLC proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 150,000 gallons per day of septage to a treatment and disposal system. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 725 County Road B-059, approximately 4 miles northeast of Mesquite, in Section 21, Township 24 South, Range 03 East, Doña Ana County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 430 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 1,670 milligrams per liter.



Discharge Permit: DP-1274, City of Carlsbad Wastewater Treatment Facility

- County: Eddy | Closest City: Carlsbad
- Applicant: City of Carlsbad, Wendy Austin, City Administrator, PO Box 1569, Carlsbad, NM 88221
- NMED Permit Contact: Deborah Carpenter, Senior Water Resource Professional, Deborah.Carpenter@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-531-7430 or 505-827-2900.

Notice: DP-1274, City of Carlsbad Wastewater Treatment Facility: City of Carlsbad proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 6.5 million gallons per day of municipal wastewater to a treatment and reuse system. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 45 Telltale Lane, approximately three miles southeast of Carlsbad, in Section 10, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County. Reuse areas are located in Sections 25 and 26, Township 21 South, Range 26 East; Sections 31, 32, and 33, Township 21 South, Range 27 East; and Sections 5, 6, 7, 9, and 10, Township 22 South, Range 27 East, Eddy County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 8 to 85 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 900 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-459, Santa Rita Open Pit Area

- County: Grant | Closest City: Silver City
- Applicant: Randy B. Ellison, General Manager, PO Box 10, Bayard, NM 88023
- NMED Permit Contact: Jordan Anderson, Water Resources Professional, Jordan.Anderson@env.nm.gov or mecs.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-8908 or 505-827-2900.

Notice: DP-459: Randy B. Ellison, General Manager, Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company, proposes to modify the existing Discharge Permit which allows for up to 7,128,000 gallons per day of acidic leachate solution (raffinate) applied for leaching copper from one stockpile. The modification of this permit consists of increasing the capacity of Reservoir 9 within the Open Pit Surface Drainage Area, located in Section 3, Township 18 South, Range 12 West, from 15 million gallons up to 720 million gallons and authorizing the discharge/transfer of process water from the Santa Rita Open Pit to Reservoir 9. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include total dissolved solids, sulfate, and metals. The facility is located 3 miles northeast of Bayard, in Sections 23, 26-28, 33-35, Township 17 South, Range 12 West, and Sections 2, 3 and 10, Township 18 South, Range 12 West, Grant County. Groundwater most likely to be affected ranges in depth from approximately 22 to 276 feet and had a pre-discharge TDS concentration of approximately 220 milligrams per liter.



Discharge Permit: DP-820, New Mexico Army National Guard, Portales Armory

- County: Roosevelt | Closest City: Portales
- Applicant: New Mexico Army National Guard, Catherine Hamilton, Environmental Scientist and Specialist II, 47 Bataan Boulevard, Building 10, Santa Fe, NM 87508
- NMED Permit Contact: Jayson Romero, Water Resource Professional, Jayson.Romero@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-531-7230 or 505-827-2900.

Notice: DP-820, Portales National Guard Armory: New Mexico Army National Guard proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 3,080 gallons per day of domestic wastewater and up to 6,200 gallons per day of industrial wastewater to two separate treatment and disposal systems. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds, total dissolved solids and metals. The facility is located at 109 Airport Road, Portales, in Section 8, Township 02 South, Range 34 East, Roosevelt County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 58 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 450 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-1327, San Juan Generating Station

- County: San Juan | Closest City: Waterflow
- Applicant: Public Service Company of New Mexico, Rodney Warner, San Juan Decommissioning Project Manager, P.O. Box 227, Waterflow, NM 87421
- NMED Permit Contact: Marchell Schuman, Senior Water Resource Professional, marchell.schuman@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: (505) 795-3275 or (505) 827-2900.

Notice: DP-1327, San Juan Generating Station: Public Service Company of New Mexico proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 31,050 gallons per day of groundwater recovered from two groundwater interceptor systems and discharged to treatment and disposal systems and 150 gallons per day of domestic wastewater to a septic tank/leachfield system. The majority of the treatment and disposal systems are in closure. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds, sulfate, total dissolved solids, metals and chloride. The facility is located at 6800 North County Road, Waterflow, in Sections 17, 19, 20, and 21, Township 30 North, Range 15 West, San Juan County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 10-40 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 3200 – 14,900 milligrams per liter.



Discharge Permit: DP-494, City of Las Vegas Sludge Disposal Facility

- County: San Miguel | Closest City: Las Vegas
- Applicant: Travis Martinez, 1700 N. Grand Avenue, Las Vegas, New Mexico 87701
- NMED Permit Contact: Andrew Romero, Senior Water Resource Professional, AndrewC.Romero@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-660-8624 or 505-827-2900.

Notice: DP-494, City of Las Vegas Sludge Disposal Facility: City of Las Vegas proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 15,900 gallons per day of aerobically digested sludge to 400 acres of rangeland. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located approximately 6 miles northeast of Las Vegas near the City of Las Vegas Municipal Airport, in Section 32, Township 17 North, Range 17 East (projected), San Miguel County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 23 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 904 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-1407, Santa Fe Country Club

- County: Santa Fe | Closest City: Santa Fe
- Applicant: Santa Fe Country Club, David Nowell, General Manager, P.O. Box 28125, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87592
- NMED Permit Contact: Samantha Peterson, Water Resource Professional, Samantha.Peterson@env.nm.gov or pps.general@env.nm.gov, Telephone: 505-490-5282 or 505-827-2900.

Notice: DP-1407, Santa Fe Country Club proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 650,000 gallons per day of reclaimed domestic wastewater from the City of Santa Fe to a reuse area. Additionally, domestic wastewater generated at the facility is discharged to five septic tank leach field systems. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at 3950 Country Club Road, Santa Fe, in projected Sections 11 and 12, Township 16 North, Range 08 East, Santa Fe County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 276 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 144 milligrams per liter.



Discharge Permit: DP-883, Sipapu Ski and Summer Resort

- County: Taos | Closest City: Vadito
- Applicant: Sipapu Ski Area, John Paul Bradley, General Manager, Sipapu Ski Area HC 65 RT Box 29 Vadito, New Mexico 87579
- 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-883, Sipapu Ski and Summer Resort: Sipapu Recreation Development II LLC, 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 at 5224 State Hwy 518, Vadito, NM 87579, approximately 7 miles southeast of Vadito, in Section 10, Township 22 North, Range 13 East, Taos County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 6.3 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 300 milligrams per liter.

Discharge Permit: DP-452, Frank's Septic Service Inc.

- County: Valencia | Closest City: Belen
- Applicant: Daniel C. Romero, Vice President, 1210 N. Mesa Road, Belen, NM 87002
- 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.

Notice: DP-452, Frank's Septic Service Inc. proposes to renew the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 30,000 gallons per day of combined domestic septage, portable toilet waste, domestic wastewater treatment facility sludge, and the aqueous portion of grease trap/interceptor waste to a surface disposal area. Potential contaminants from this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located on Greer Road, approximately 5 miles west of Belen, in Section 9, Township 05 North, Range 01 East, Valencia County. Groundwater most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately 400 feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of 350 milligrams per liter.

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