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City of Ruidoso Down/Village of Ruidoso WWTP - NPDES Permit

EPA issued the renewed permit on July 25, 2017. Some parts of the permit conditions are being appealed by Rio Hondo Land & Cattle Co.; the issues are regarding to waste load allocations for nutrients in the current TMDL, which EPA approved in December 2016. The Environmental Appeal Board (EAB) has been requesting EPA the administration record within 10 days. Non-appealed permit conditions are in effective on September 1, 2017. A permit renewal is good for 5 years. Tung Nguyen, 7153; Brent Larsen, 7523; Richard Wooster, 6473; David Gillespie, 7467.

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OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF DRAFT PERMIT: EPA received information on Thursday,

August 31, 2017 that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will be reviewing the permit. Region 6 has submitted the draft final permit as well the Federal Register notice to HQs for OMB review. OMB has tentatively requested a briefing on Thursday, September 7, 2017. Region 6 briefing Mike Shapiro and Lee Forsgren on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 on the permit. In addition, the Region received a letter from the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources stating that our draft permit is consistent with the approved Louisiana Coastal Resource Program (LCRP) as required by Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended. Region 6 plans to sign the final permit by September 15, 2017 to avoid leaving offshore operators without the ability to obtain timely permit coverage. **Stacey Dwyer, 665-6729; Brent Larsen, 665-7523; Isaac Chen, 665-7364**

LOS ALAMOS COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES MEETING WITH THE OFFICE OF WATER:

Los Alamos County representatives are scheduled to meet with the Office of Water on Tuesday,

September 12, 2017, in Washington, D.C. Region 6 will participate by teleconference. Region 6 had received a petition from Amigos Bravos in June 2014 that EPA make a determination that storm water discharges in Los Alamos County contribute to water quality standards violations and require a Clean Water Act permit. Region 6 is still in the process of evaluating the data and information. In addition, Region 6 staff met with Los Alamos representatives in June 2017. **Stacey Dwyer, 665-6729; Brent Larsen, 665-7523; Nasim Jahan, 665-7522**

MEETING WITH LOOP: EPA met with LOOP representatives on September 5, 2017 to discuss the EPA/LDEQ draft joint permit. LDEQ participated via conference call. The major issue of concern is LOOP's reluctance to perform WET testing. LOOP agreed to provide EPA with data, prior WET tests results and other documentation that demonstrates that they should be not be subject to the WET requirements. LOOP agreed to follow up with EPA by next week. **Stacey Dwyer, 665-6729;**

Mark Hayes, 665-2705; Silvia Bodgan, 665-2749; Kay Schwab, 665-6635

Water Division staff provides input on HUrricane response sampling plan: The Assessment, Listing & TMDL Section (6WQ-PT) and the Watershed Management Section (6WQ-EW) staff held a meeting with Regional Environmental Operations Center's Environmental Unit staff to discuss the status of response efforts and provided a technical review of a Quality Assurance Sampling Plan (QASP) drafted by EPA's START contractor Weston Solutions, Inc. This QASP was developed to guide pending surface water quality sampling efforts in the Houston-Beaumont flood zones. Similar QASPs were being developed for soil and drinking water sampling. **Mike Schaub, 665-7314; Rob Cook, 665-7141; Forrest John, 665-8368; Laura Hunt, 665-9729; Taimur Shaikh, 665-7181; Philip Crocker, 665-6644; Richard Wooster, 665-6473**

Water Division staff hold monthly 303(d)/TMDL call with LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (LDEQ): Water Division staff participated on a conference call with LDEQ staff and managers on August 28, 2017, to discuss the status of LDEQ's development of TMDL alternatives and revised TMDLs, coastal water dissolved oxygen criteria revisions, supplemental monitoring work scope

revisions, and efforts to track the agency's historic use of TMDL margins of safety as allocations for implementation in permits. **Mike Schaub, 665-7314; Richard Wooster, 665-6473; Philip Crocker, 665-6644; Rob Cook, 665-7141; Forrest John, 665-8368; Kay Schwab, 665-6635; Leslie Rauscher, 665-2773**

APPROVAL OF UPDATES TO THE OKLAHOMA WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN: Currently, OG&E Redbud Power Plant is discharging cooling tower blowdown wastewater to the City of Oklahoma Municipality. However, discharging to the city municipality has become financial burden to maintain. Therefore, OG&E Energy Service has formally requested to discharge a design flow of 2.278 MGD to the Canadian River. NPDES Permits Branch personnel has reviewed the Waste Load Evaluation for OG&E Redbud Power Plant and technically accepted for WQMP Update. This update will become part of the WQMP Update after completion of its public participation process, certification by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ), and approval by the Environmental Protection Agency. **Syed Shahriyar, 665-2783**

EPA SUBMITTED THREE NEW MEXICO TMDLS TO THE NATIONAL ATTAINS DATABASE: On September 8, 2017, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) documented three

New Mexico Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for the Santa Fe River. The staff in the Assessment, Listing, and TMDL Section recorded the documents and data in the National ATTAINS Database. This Database is the repository for EPA approved TMDLs in the United States and contributes to reports requested by Congress and stakeholders. EPA acknowledges that these TMDLs will be incorporated as updates to the State of New Mexico Water Quality Management Plan and the Continuing Planning Process. **Linda Adams, 665-6546**