

NEW MEXICO WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE ORDER ISSUED TO
THE CITY OF SANTA FE, SANTA FE COUNTY, DOCKEY NO. WQCC 24-35 (ACO)

The New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (“WQCC”) will hold a public hearing beginning at 9:00a.m. on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, and continuing subsequent days if necessary. This hearing is being held in-person at the State Capitol Building, 490 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501, with virtual participation option, directly after the WQCC’s regularly scheduled meeting.

The City of Santa Fe (“Respondents”) is the owner and operator of the Paseo Real Wastewater Treatment Plant (“Facility”) located at 73 Paseo Real, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The Facility discharges treated domestic wastewater from the City of Santa Fe to the Santa Fe River in Santa Fe County. The Surface Water Quality Bureau (SWQB) issued an Administrative Compliance Order (ACO) to the Respondents on May 16, 2024, for violations of the New Mexico Water Quality Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 74-6-1 to -17, and the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations, 20.6.4 NMAC Interstate and Intrastate Standards for Surface Water. The ACO requires corrective actions and assesses a civil penalty against Respondents. The matter is docketed as WQCC 24-35 (ACO).

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider an appeal of the ACO filed by Respondents. The ACO and Respondents’ filed appeal may be obtained electronically at <https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/docketed-matters/> WQCC 24-35(ACO) or reviewed in person by contacting Pamela Jones, WQCC Administrator, P.O. Box 5469, Santa Fe, NM 87502; telephone (505) 827-2428; or pamela.jones@env.nm.gov.

Detailed information concerning the time, location, and the virtual meeting link can be found on the New Mexico Environment Department’s (“NMED”) event calendar at <https://www.env.nm.gov/events-calendar/>. Please visit the WQCC website prior to the hearing for any updates at <https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/water-quality-control-commission/>. The public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the WQCC Adjudicatory Procedures found in 20.1.3 NMAC, the Water Quality Act, and all other applicable laws and regulations.

The WQCC may issue a decision at the conclusion of the hearing, or the WQCC may convene a meeting after the hearing to consider action on the proposal.

If any person requires assistance, an interpreter or auxiliary aid to participate in this process, please contact Pamela Jones, WQCC Administrator, at least 14 days prior to the hearing date at P.O. Box 5469, 1190 S. St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87502; (505) 660-4305; or pamela.jones@env.nm.gov. 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.

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