

Legal Notice
For
Air Quality Operating Permit
for White Sands Missile Range of Dept of the Army

The Department of the Army, for White Sands Missile Range, has submitted an air quality operating permit renewal application to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for an air quality operating permit for its White Sands Missile Range. The owner of this plant is the Department of the Army. The location of the facility is at latitude and longitude decimal degrees: 32.381011, -106.480266 Datum: NAD27. To aid in locating this facility, the approximate location is 9 miles East of Organ in Socorro County, NM. This application file has been assigned an Operating Permit Number P085-R4 and TEMPO Agency Interest ID No. 141.

Previously, the facility has been operating under Title V permit P085-R3M3. The facility is a military installation and its primary mission is to run tests and evaluations for the military and private industry.

This operating permit application is for a permit renewal. Per 20.2.70.401.C.(4) NMAC, this permitting action involves retiring/removing a few engine units and updating/revising some permit conditions to current Department monitoring protocols.

The estimated maximum air pollutant emissions from this facility for this Title V renewal are (with no changes to the existing air emission limits in this permitting action): Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x) at 119.0 tpy; Carbon Monoxide (CO) at 44.1 tpy; Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) at 102.3 tpy; Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) at 6.6 tpy; total Particulate Matter (PM) at 26.3 tpy, Particulate Matter 10 microns or less (PM₁₀) at 14.9 tpy; Particulate Matter 2.5 microns or less (PM_{2.5}) at 12.8 tpy; and greenhouse gas (CO_{2e}) < 75,000 tpy.

The NMED has conducted a review of the information submitted with the permit application. This review included evaluation of the emission rates and applicable requirements to determine compliance.

The NMED has made a preliminary determination that this facility will comply with the requirements of Title 20, New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC), Chapter 2, Parts 7, 61, 70, 71, 72, 73, 77, and 82; 40 CFR 60 Subparts IIII, JJJJ, OOOO, and OOOOa; 40 CFR 63 Subparts ZZZZ, BBBB, and CCCCC; and the New Mexico Air Quality Control Act. Therefore, the intent of NMED is to issue the air quality operating permit on or before May 11, 2024.

Interested persons may obtain the draft operating permit, submit written comments, or request a public hearing on Operating Permit Number P085-R4 by contacting Jim Nellessen at the New Mexico Environment Department, Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816, or by email at James.Nellessen@env.nm.gov. Comments may also be submitted electronically via the NMED public comment portal online at: <https://nmed.commentinput.com/comment/search>.

Written requests for public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Comments must be based on the requirements of the applicable state and federal air quality regulations and the Clean Air Act. Comments or hearing requests must be received within 30 days after the public notice is published.

The permit application is currently available for review on the AQB Public Notices of Permitting Actions website www.env.nm.gov/public-notice. The Department contact in Santa Fe is Jim Nellesen at 505-629-6283.

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