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JOINT NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
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Navajo Nation EPA
NPDES Program
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Comment Period Closes: September 18, 2015

The U.S. EPA is issuing a notice of proposed action under the Clean Water Act. The USEPA is proposing to issue a renewal to National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES Permit No. NN0022195) to:

Navajo Tribal Utility Authority
Ganado Wastewater Treatment Facility
P.O. Box 170
Fort Defiance, Arizona 86504

The Ganado treatment facility is located in Ganado, Apache County, approximately 0.5 mile south of US 264 in the central portion of the Navajo Nation, Arizona. The facility serves a population of 3,300 and receives only domestic wastewater with a design flow rate of 0.4 million gallons per day. Treatment consists of a two-lagoon gravity flow evaporation system with aeration, polishing and evaporation, and disinfection by chlorination prior to discharge. A sulfur dioxide dechlorination system was added to remove the excess chlorine. The proposed permit will regulate the discharge of treated effluent from the lagoon treatment facility to Pueblo Colorado Wash, a tributary to Cottonwood Wash, an eventual tributary to the Little Colorado River.

EPA is soliciting comments on the proposal. EPA will consider all comments received during comment period before taking final action. To submit comments, or to obtain additional information including the proposed permits and administrative records, please contact:

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