

**PROPOSED ARIZONA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (AZPDES)  
RENEWAL PERMIT**

Pursuant to the Clean Water Act and in accordance with Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) R18-9-A907, the Director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) proposes to issue an Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (AZPDES) Permit to discharge pollutants to Waters of the United States to the following applicant, subject to certain effluent limitations and special conditions:

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AZPDES Permit No. AZ0026026  
City of Benson Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)  
300 Harvest Way  
Benson, AZ 85602

The City of Benson applied for a renewal AZPDES permit for the proposed discharge of up to 1.2 million gallons per day (mgd) of treated domestic wastewater from the City of Benson WWTP to an unnamed wash which is a tributary to the San Pedro River in the San Pedro River Basin in Township 17 S, Range 20 E, Section 3, in Cochise County, Arizona. The Benson WWTP is a publicly owned treatment works that receives domestic wastewater from residential and commercial sources in Benson, AZ. Sludge is pumped to sludge drying beds at the facility and disposed of at the Western Regional Landfill.

The permit and fact sheet may be viewed online at <http://www.azdeq.gov/notices> by typing the permit number in the “Keywords” search box. The public notice and related documentation also are available for public review, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the [ADEQ Records Center](#), 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona, 85007. In Phoenix, please call (602) 771-4380 or e-mail [recordscenter@azdeq.gov](mailto:recordscenter@azdeq.gov) 24 hours in advance to schedule an appointment to review the file.

Persons may submit comments or request a public hearing on the proposed action in writing, to Richard Mendolia, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, 1110 W. Washington St., 5415B-3, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, or electronically to [mendolia.richard@azdeq.gov](mailto:mendolia.richard@azdeq.gov). All written comments received by ADEQ by the close of business on the date 30 days after publication of this notice will be considered in the final permit decision. A public hearing request must be in writing and must include the reasons for such request. If there is a significant degree of public interest, the Director will hold a hearing in accordance with A.A.C. R18-9-A908(B).