

**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:

AZPDES Permit No. AZ0021245  
Arizona Game and Fish Department  
1600 N. Page Springs Road  
Cornville, AZ 86325

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Arizona Game and Fish Department applied for a renewal AZPDES permit for the proposed discharge of up to 22.8 million gallons per day (mgd) of fish hatchery process wastewater from the Page Springs Fish Hatchery to the Oak Creek in the Verde River Basin in Township 16 N, Range 4 E, Section 23, in Yavapai County, Arizona. The Page Springs Fish Hatchery is a publicly owned hatchery in Cornville, Arizona. The Page Springs Fish Hatchery treatment process consists of two flow-through fish hatcheries (Bubbling Ponds and PSFH). Water for the two production operations (cold water species and warm water species) is obtained from two natural springs in the area and is not comingled as it is routed through the hatchery processes. All of the water from the two springs is used in rearing operations and then discharged separately to two different locations on Oak Creek. Biosolids requirements are not applicable because fish wastes are not considered biosolids under the 40 CFR 503 provisions.

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 Jessica Kohls, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona 85007, or electronically to [kohls.jessica@azdeq.gov](mailto:kohls.jessica@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).

ADEQ will take reasonable measures to provide access to department services to individuals with limited ability to speak, write or understand English and/or to those with disabilities. Requests for language interpretation, ASL interpretation, CART captioning services or disability accommodations must be made at least 48 hours in advance by contacting Ian Bingham, Title VI Nondiscrimination Coordinator at 602-771-4322 or [Bingham.Ian@azdeq.gov](mailto:Bingham.Ian@azdeq.gov). Teleprinter services are available by calling 7-1-1 at least 48 hours in advance to make necessary arrangements.

ADEQ tomará las medidas razonables para proveer acceso a los servicios del departamento a personas con capacidad limitada para hablar, escribir o entender inglés y / o para personas con discapacidades. Las solicitudes de servicios de interpretación de idiomas, interpretación ASL, subtítulos de CART, o adaptaciones por

discapacidad deben realizarse con al menos 48 horas de anticipación contactando a Ian Bingham, Coordinador de Anti-Discriminación del Título VI al 602-771-4322 o [Bingham.Ian@azdeq.gov](mailto:Bingham.Ian@azdeq.gov). Los servicios de teleimpresores están disponibles llamando al 7-1-1 con al menos 48 horas de anticipación para hacer los arreglos necesarios.