

PUBLIC NOTICE

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. AZ0023531 Salt River Project (SRP) Agricultural Improvement and Power District P. O Box 52025 Mail Station: AFS200 Phoenix, Arizona 85072 Public Notice No. 22-58 Published on March 22, 2023 Published in the Record Reporter

Salt River Project (SRP) applied for a renewal of an AZPDES permit for the discharge of cooling tower blowdown, boiler blowdown, and other low volume wastes from the Agua Fria Generating Station (AFGS) in Glendale, Maricopa County, Arizona. The discharge will be to the SRP Lateral 20 which connects to the SRP Grand Canal (a Phoenix Area Canal), a Protected Surface Water. In addition to the six (6) currently permitted electric generating units, SRP completed construction of two-natural gas-fired simple cycle "aeroderivative" combustion turbines in 2022. These new LM6000 combustion gas turbines are identified as Unit 7 and Unit 8 and combined add approximately 99 megawatt generating capacity to the AFGS. The point of discharge will be in Township 3 N, Range 1 E, Section 36 in Maricopa County, Arizona. The AFGS is an electric power generating station and is considered to be a major facility under the NPDES program.

The permit and fact sheet may be viewed online at <u>http://www.azdeq.gov/notices</u> 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 <u>ADEQ Records Center</u>, 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona, 85007. In Phoenix, please call (602) 771-4380 or e-mail <u>recordscenter@azdeq.gov</u> 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 Swathi Kasanneni, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona 85007, or electronically to Kasanneni.swathi@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 translation, ASL interpretation, CART captioning services or disability accommodations must be made at least 48 hours in advance by contacting the Title VI Nondiscrimination Coordinator, Leonard Drago, at 602-771-2288 or Drago.Leonard@azdeq.gov. For a TTY or other device, Telecommunications Relay Services are available by calling 711.

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