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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

[M15-121]

PROPOSED REISSUANCE OF GENERAL PERMIT FOR STORMWATER DISCHARGES FROM SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

- 1. Name of the agency: Department of Environmental Quality
2. Type of notice filed: Proposed Reissuance of General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems

3. A brief description of the proposed general permit: Pursuant to 18 A.A.C. 9, Article 9, R18-9-C901 and -C903, the Department is proposing to reissue a general permit under the Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (AZPDES), authorizing stormwater discharges from small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s) to waters of the U.S. The proposed permit is intended to replace the small MS4 general permit currently in effect (No. AZG2002-002).

This permit is issued pursuant to Section 402(p) of the Federal Clean Water Act, in compliance with State statutes and rules. The draft permit includes the six Minimum Control Measures required pursuant to 40 Code of Federal Regulation, Part 122.34, and includes: Public Education and Outreach, Public Involvement/Participation, Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination, Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control, Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment, and Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations.

4. A description of the permit area: The proposed general permit is applicable to discharges from small MS4s in Arizona, excluding Indian Country as defined in 18 U.S.C.1151. Small MS4s are those that are not defined as "large" or "medium" MS4s pursuant to 40 CFR § 122.26(b)(4) or (b)(7) or designated under 40 CFR § 122.26(a)(1)(v). This permit covers small MS4 operators located either fully or partially within an urbanized area as determined by the most recent census conducted by the Bureau of Census, or located in a geographic area designated by ADEQ as requiring a permit pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code R18-9-A902(D).

5. How to obtain copies of the draft permit documents: Copies of the proposed general permit and accompanying fact sheet are available upon request from the agency personnel listed in item 7, below, and on the Department's website at https://www.azdeq.gov/environ/water/permits/ms4.html

The proposed general permit and fact sheet are also available at the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, 1110 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona and may be reviewed any time between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

6. The time during which the agency will accept written comments: Comments on the proposed general permit must be submitted c/o Christopher Henninger at the address, fax number, or e-mail address provided below, and received or postmarked no later than August 17, 2015. No formal public hearing is currently scheduled. However, within the comment period, interested persons may also request a public hearing under A.A.C. R18-9-A908 concerning the proposed permit.

If the Department decides to hold a public hearing, the time and place of the public hearing will be announced on the ADEQ web site at https://www.azdeq.gov/environ/water/permits/ms4.html. Interested persons may also request email notification of a public hearing by subscribing to the "Phase II MS4 General Permit" topic at https://pub-



lic.govdelivery.com/accounts/AZDEQ/subscriber/new. Alternatively, interested persons may request such notification by contacting Christopher Henninger at the e-mail address, postal address, or phone number below.

7. The name, address, and telephone number of agency personnel to whom questions and comments on the general permit may be addressed:

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