

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

Pursuant to the Clean Water Act and in accordance with §40 CFR 131, §40 CFR 25, and 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. AZ0024716
City of Cottonwood
827 N. Main Street
Cottonwood, Arizona 86326

The City of Cottonwood applied for a renewal AZPDES permit for the proposed discharge of up to 1.5 million gallons per day (mgd) of treated domestic wastewater from the City of Cottonwood Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) to the Del Monte Wash in the Verde River Basin in Township 16 N, Range 3 E, Section 32, in Yavapai County, Arizona. The Cottonwood WWTP is a publicly owned treatment works that receives domestic wastewater from residential, commercial, and industrial sources in the City of Cottonwood. Sludge is dewatered for land application by a contractor. Variances from the Verde River standards for nitrogen and phosphorus are proposed in the draft permit.

The permit and fact sheet may be viewed online at <http://www.azdeq.gov/cgi-bin/vertical.pl> by typing the permit number in the box left of "Search Event". 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 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 Jacqueline Maye, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, 1110 W. Washington St., 5415B-3, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. All written comments received by ADEQ by the close of business on the date 45 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).