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C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

To submit comments or access the official public docket, please follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the December 30, 2002 **Federal Register** document. If you have questions, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. What Action is EPA taking?

This document extends the public comment period established in the **Federal Register** issued on December 30, 2002 (67 FR 79611). In that document, EPA sought public comment on the approach EPA plans to use for selecting the first group of chemicals to be screened in the Agency’s Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP). EPA is hereby extending the comment period, which was set to end on March 1, 2003, to April 1, 2003.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Endocrine disruptors, Pesticides and pests.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Public Notice of Draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Federal Facility Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) in Colorado

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed NPDES general permit.

SUMMARY: Region VIII of EPA is hereby giving notice of its tentative determination to issue an NPDES general permit for regulated storm water discharges from small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s). The general permit is applicable to Federal Facilities within the State of Colorado. Only Federal Facilities located in urbanized areas (as defined by the 2000 U.S. Census) within the State of Colorado must apply. Federal facilities that are currently known to be located within Colorado urbanized areas, and will need to apply for coverage under the general permit include: Fort Carson; the General Services Administration’s Denver Federal Center; Peterson Air Force Base; the U.S. Air Force Academy; the U.S. Department of Commerce—National Institute of Standards and Technology, Boulder Campus; the U.S. Bureau of Prisons Federal Correctional Institution, Englewood; and the Veterans Affairs Medical Center Denver. Additional Federal Facilities may need to apply for permit coverage at a later date based on subsequent Census data. This notice announces the availability of the proposed general permit and fact sheet for public comment.

NPDES permit coverage is required for small MS4s in accordance with final EPA regulations for Phase II storm water discharges (64 FR 68722, December 8, 1999). Operators of Phase II-designated small MS4s (regulated small MS4s) are required to submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) to EPA Region VIII to be covered under the general permit.

In accordance with the general permit, regulated small MS4 operators must develop, implement, and enforce a program designed to reduce the discharge of pollutants from their MS4s to the maximum extent practicable (MEP) to protect water quality and to satisfy the appropriate water quality requirements of the Clean Water Act. The small MS4 program must include the following six minimum control

measures: public education and outreach; public involvement and participation; illicit discharge detection and elimination; construction site runoff control; post-construction runoff control; and pollution prevention/ good housekeeping. The rule assumes the use of narrative, rather than numeric, effluent limitations achieved through the implementation of best management practices (BMPs). Operators must establish BMPs and measurable goals for each minimum measure in the permit application. However, applicants will have up to five years to fully develop and implement their storm water management program.

State	Permit No.	Areas covered by the general permit
Colorado	COR042000 ..	Federal Facilities in the State of Colorado, except those located in Indian Country.

DATES: Public comments on this proposal must be received or postmarked no later than March 28, 2003. A public hearing may be requested within the comment period concerning the proposed permit.

ADDRESSES: Public comments or requests for a public hearing should be sent to: Greg Davis (8EPR–EP); Attention: NPDES Permits; U.S. EPA, Region VIII; 999 18th Street, Suite 300; Denver, CO 80202–2466. Public comments will also be accepted via electronic mail (E-mail) at r8npdes@epa.gov.

Public Comment Period

Public comments are invited. Comments must be received or postmarked no later than March 28, 2003. Each comment should cite the page number and, where possible, the section(s) and/or paragraph(s) in the draft permit or Fact Sheet to which each comment refers. Commenters should use a separate paragraph for each issue discussed. Comments must be sent to the address given above in the **ADDRESSES** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the draft permit and Fact Sheet or for further information on the draft permit, contact either Greg Davis (303) 312–6082 (davis.gregory@epa.gov) or Vern Berry, (303) 312–6234 (berry.vern@epa.gov), or at the address above in the **ADDRESSES** section. Copies of the draft permit and Fact Sheet may be downloaded from the EPA Region VIII Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/>