

**NOTICE OF THE PRELIMINARY DECISION TO ISSUE AN
INDIVIDUAL AQUIFER PROTECTION PERMIT**

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Pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code, Title 18, Chapter 9, Article 1, the Director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality intends to issue an individual Aquifer Protection Permit to the following applicant(s):

Facility Name: SRP Santan Generating Plant

Aquifer Protection Permit No. P-100601

Permittee: Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement & Power District
Santan Generating Plant
1005 South Val Vista Road
Gilbert, AZ 85296

The Salt River Project (SRP) Santan Generating Station is located at 1005 South Val Vista Road in Gilbert, Maricopa County, Arizona, over groundwater of the Middle Gila in Section 21, Township 1, South, Range 6 East of the Gila and Salt River Base Line and Meridian. Santan Generating Station is a 1,185-megawatt natural gas-fired, combined cycle electric generating plant. The purpose of this permit is to allow the industrial wastewater from the Generating Station for irrigation of crops which may be used as human or animal food, and for use for landscape and ornamental watering within the Roosevelt Water Conservation District (RWCD).

SRP Santan Generating Station, as Permittee, is responsible for the direct reuse of reclaimed water by all end-users under this permit. Wastewater is discharged to the RWCD Canal. Allowable uses of reclaimed water under this permit include agricultural irrigation (human or animal food crops), and landscape and ornamental watering via the RWCD Canal south of Warner Road and the area supplied by water from RWCD's Eastern Extension Canal Tailwater Ditch. A Reclaimed Water Individual Permit was issued for this facility on December 7, 2004. A Reclaimed Water Permit Renewal application was received on March 23, 2009.

The draft permit and related documentation are available for public review, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at ADEQ, 1110 West Washington Street, Records Management Center, 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 Gwen Rice, Project Manager, ADEQ, Groundwater Section, 1110 West Washington Street, MC5415B-3, Phoenix, AZ 85007 within thirty (30) days from the date of this notice. A public hearing request must include the reasons for such request.