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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
**DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

333 W. Nye Lane, Room 138  
Carson City, Nevada 89706

March 10, 2005

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION**

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received an application for renewal of groundwater discharge permit # NEV93016 from the following applicant:

Nevada Department of Corrections  
P.O. Box 7011  
Carson City, NV 89702

for the: Wells Conservation Camp  
I-80 Independence Interchange  
HC67-50  
Wells, Nevada 89835

The Nevada Department of Corrections operates the Wells Conservation Camp (WCC), which is located approximately fourteen (14) miles east of the City of Wells, north of the I-80 Independence Interchange in Elko County, Nevada. WCC is a minimum-security men's conservation camp with a population of 150 inmates. The camp operates a 25,000-gallon capacity battery septic tank (Jensen Precast Model 5XJP5000) to provide primary (settling) treatment of the camp's domestic (sanitary) wastewater flow. The treated septic tank effluent is discharged to groundwater of the State via subsurface percolation in the camp's leachfields. The permitted (maximum) treatment capacity of this facility is 25,000 gallons of wastewater per day. The Division has made the tentative determination to issue (renew) the proposed discharge permit for a period of five (5) years.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to re-issue the permit to discharge, subject to specific effluent limitations and monitoring requirements. Persons wishing to comment upon or request a hearing, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code-Water Pollution Control, regarding the proposed Administrative determination(s), should submit their comments or requests, in writing, to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Water Pollution Control  
333 West Nye Lane  
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Comments or objections must be received within the 30-day comment period, which begins on the date of this publication. Comments or requests postmarked or received via facsimile or email before

5:00 PM on April 16, 2005 will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. Public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date. If a hearing is not held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator shall publicly notice the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, fact sheet, and proposed permit are on file and may be copied, or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting James T. Hogan at the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at 775.687.9434; facsimile: 775.687.4684; or email: [jhogan@ndep.nv.gov](mailto:jhogan@ndep.nv.gov). This notice and the fact sheet can be viewed at <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.