

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Notice of Proposed Action
November 09, 2004

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act. The Administrator has received a complete application for a temporary groundwater discharge permit, TNEV2005355, from the following applicant:

San Emidio Agrigate, Inc.
P.O. Box 40
Empire, Nevada 89405

The Applicant proposes to land apply Class B biosolids provided by the Northern California Correctional Center, Litchfield, California at Lone Pine Ranch, 15800 Dry Valley Road, Reno, Nevada 89506. Lone Pine Ranch, APN 78-194-06, is located in Washoe County, approximately 22 miles north of Reno in the Red Rock area. This site was permitted for land application of biosolids provided by the Susanville Consolidated Sanitary District under permit NEV98007 and temporary permit TNEV98015.

The temporary permit will limit the Applicant to land applying a maximum of 500 cubic yards of biosolids. The biosolids application rate per acre shall be determined by the agronomic uptake rate of the crop to be planted in the application fields. The biosolids must be incorporated into the soil within six hours of land application. To be eligible for land application, the biosolids must meet at least the Class B standards and pollutant concentration limits.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue the temporary permit to discharge, TNEV2005355, for a six (6) month period subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding the permit or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control should submit their comments or request, in writing, within ten (10) days either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851

Comments or objections must be received within the ten (10) day comment period, which begins on the date of this publication. Comments and/or hearing requests postmarked or received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 PM November 19, 2004 will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Bruce Holmgren of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9423, or at bholmgre@nedp.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684.