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NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection / Bureau of Safe Drinking Water will hold a public workshop to provide an opportunity for comment on adoption of proposed regulations by the State Environmental Commission for Public Water Systems Water Quality and Treatment of Water (LCB File No. R126-05.) and Certification of Operators of Public Water Systems (LCB File No. R129-05.) The referenced regulations were the subject of a public workshop held on November 12, 2004 and were subsequently adopted as temporary regulations by the State Board of Health on March 10, 2005. As a result of legislation passed in the 2005 Legislative session, responsibilities for these regulatory programs have been transferred to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection.

The adoption of these proposed regulations will amend:

- ❖ NAC 445A.450 through 445A.540 for Public Water Systems Water Quality and Treatment of Water -Allows Nevada to adopt new federal primary drinking water regulations already in effect under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) in the following areas: arsenic rule; long term 1 surface water treatment rule; lead and copper rule revisions; radionuclides; filter backwash rule; public notification rule; and variances and exemptions. The remaining amendments will also clarify and change authority from the State Board of Health to the State Environmental Commission, and from the Health Division to the Division of Environmental Protection; AND
- ❖ NAC445A.617 through 445A.652, relating to Certification of Operators of Public Water Systems – Amendment to this regulation would increase skills / knowledge of persons operating public water systems certified through the Operator Certification Program which is needed in light of the more stringent water quality requirements.

Copies of the proposed regulations are available at the State Environmental Commission website: see: sec.nv.gov

The workshop will be held at the following location and time:

Thursday September 22, 2005 at 9:00 AM

401 S. Stewart St.

Legislative Building, Room 2134

Carson City, Nevada

This workshop will be available via videoconference in Las Vegas at the following location:

Grant Sawyer Building, Room 4406

555 E Washington St

Las Vegas, Nevada

Space is limited, so please RSVP before September 16, 2005 @ [775-687-9518](tel:775-687-9518)

Members of the public may make oral comments at this workshop at both the Carson City and Las Vegas locations, if attending in person. The workshop will also be broadcast over the Internet at the following website:

<http://leg.state.nv.us/audio/AudioVideo.cfm> or go to the Legislative website into LCB and select the link at the bottom of the page for Live Meetings.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments or documents should submit them to the address below by September 20, 2005:

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Comments may be submitted by FAX to (775) 687-5699. Questions regarding this notice or the workshop may be directed to [Dana Pennington](#) at (775) 687-9516.

Reasonable accommodation will be made for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the workshop. If special arrangements are necessary, please notify the Bureau of Safe Drinking Water at (775) 687-9521, at least 24 hours prior to the date of the workshop.