



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Intent

September 08, 2006

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for a Reclamation Permit for a mining operation for the Copper Canyon mine has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for Permit # 0260 is:

Newmont Mining Corporation
P.O. Box 1657
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

This project, is located within Lander County, and is in portion(s) of Secs. 15, 16, 21-23, 26-28, & 32-34 T. 31N, R. 43E, and portion of Secs. 2-4, 8-10, 16, & 21, T. 30N, R. 43E M.D.B. & M, approximately 20 miles from the community of Battle Mountain, Nevada. The Copper Canyon mine is the former Battle Mountain Copper Canyon Complex. Over 100 years of periodic mining activity has occurred in this project area. The permitted Phoenix project has and will continue to consume almost the entire extensively disturbed Copper Canyon Mine foot print over the life of that project. This permit is intended to cover the existing disturbance not presently consumed by the Phoenix project. No new mining activity is proposed under this permit.

The Administrator is constrained to issue the reclamation permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the reclamation permit.

Persons wishing to submit written comments or information on the tentative decision, must do so in writing no later than by 5 PM on October 13, 2006. Any person who is directly affected by the application for a permit may request, in writing, a public hearing on the application for a permit. The request must state the reason for the request and the issues to be raised at the hearing. This request must be submitted, in writing, no later than by 5 PM on October 13, 2006.

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
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All comments or objections received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this application. If the Division determines written comments or requests are reasonable and indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 519A.200. The Division will accept written comments in the form of facsimile, e-mail, or by mail. The comments may also be hand delivered.

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The permit application and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS Chapter 239.010. For more information contact Todd Suessmith at (775) 687-9412, or toll free in Nevada (800) 992-0900, select option 2 for State Operator, then ask for 687-9412 or visit the Bureau's website at <http://ndep.state.nv.us/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>.

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