



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

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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 zero-discharge (100% containment) permit # NEV2009510 from the following applicant:

Vaquero Supplements, LLC
P.O. Box 268
Silver Springs, NV 89429

The applicant manufactures livestock feed supplement, including a cooked molasses feed product (Vaquero BRIX™) at a facility located at 1700 U.S. Hwy. 50 E., Silver Springs, Lyon County, NV, 89429. An HDPE-lined evaporation pond, 10 ft. (Depth) × 0.86-acre (Area), is proposed to store and evaporate the process wastewater generated when the molasses cooker and mixer are periodically cleaned with rinse water. The evaporation pond will be posted, fenced and limited to a 30-day average flow rate of 5,100 gallons per day, based on holding and evaporation capacity. The actual discharge rate into the pond based on the current production schedule is estimated at a lower flow rate of 1,700 gallons per day. The lined pond will be zero-discharge to the environment (groundwater). A leak-detection well at the evaporation pond is required to monitor the liner integrity to ensure the zero-discharge condition. The Division has made the tentative determination to issue the proposed zero-discharge permit for a period of five (5) years.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered, e-mailed, faxed or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. PST on Friday, October 2, 2009, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 S. Stewart St, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period 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. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

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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 Mark A. Kaminski, P.E., Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9424, or via e-mail at: mkaminsk@ndep.nv.gov. The office fax number is (775) 687-4684. The fact sheet for this permit can be viewed at the following website: <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>

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