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Notice of Decision

Water Pollution Control Permit #NEV2009103

A.U. Mines, Inc. LLC

Manhattan Gulch Project

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection has decided to issue Water Pollution Control Permit NEV2009103 to A.U. Mines, Inc. LLC. This permit authorizes the construction, operation, and closure of approved mining facilities in Nye County. The Division has been provided with sufficient information, in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.350 through NAC 445A.447, to assure the Division that the groundwater quality will not be degraded by this operation, and that public safety and health will be protected.

The permit will become effective October 6, 2009. The final determination of the Administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 445A.605 and NAC 445A.407. All requests for appeals must be filed by 5:00 PM, October 1, 2009, on Form 3, with the State Environmental Commission, 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249. For more information, contact Rob Kuczynski, P.E. at (775) 687-9441 or visit the Division's Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation website at www.ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm.

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