



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Jim Gibbons, Governor

Allen Biaggi, Director

Leo M. Drozdoff, P.E., Administrator

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

Web posting 6/4/09

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the authority of the Nevada Revised Statutes, the Nevada Administrative Code, and the Safe Drinking Water Act.

The Administrator has received an application to renew underground injection control (UIC) permit No. UNEV94214 from the following applicant:

Caliente Public Utilities
c/o City of Caliente
100 Depot Avenue
Caliente, Nevada 89008

The applicant has applied to retain their UIC permit that authorizes injection into a well of geothermal fluids that will be used in a geothermal power generation plant. The fluids, produced from a well approximately one mile north of Caliente, will pass through the power generation plant and will be injected into a well by gravity-flow located in Section 5, T.4S., R.67E, Lincoln County. The injected fluids will be of equal or better quality than the receiving ground water between a depth of 195 and 250 feet below ground level. Average injection rate is estimated at 300 gallons per minute.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Safe Drinking Water Act, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to re-issue permit #UNEV94214 to allow for injection as stated above.

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, by **Monday, July 13, 2009**, either in person or by mail to:

Attention: Russ Land
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
910 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701

All comments or objections received within thirty (30) days 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.

The application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied at the office of the Division of Environmental Protection, 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada, or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or contacting Russ Land of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control by phone: (775) 687-9428, or email: rland@ndep.nv.gov.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.

This Document is for Electronic Distribution

This Document is for Electronic Distribution

901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001 • Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249 • p: 775.687.4670 • f: 775.687.5856 • ndep.nv.gov