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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Proposed Action

Permit #NEV2004105

Recon Mining Company, Inc.

Recon Mine Project

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for a renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the Recon Mine Project, a mining facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit NEV2004105 is:

Recon Mining Company, Inc.
P.O. Box 21120
Reno, Nevada 89515

The facility is located on public land in Washoe County, within Section 11, Township 36 North, Range 19 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 40 miles northwest of the town of Gerlach.

The project consists of mining and primary crushing facilities, designed to extract gold bearing ore for beneficiation at a separately permitted site, with a maximum permitted production rate of 36,500 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of mine, crusher, and ore stockpile. Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated and closed without any discharge or release of contaminants which would result in the degradation of waters of the State.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the renewal Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewal permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Water Pollution Control Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery, United States Postal Service, facsimile, or e-

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mail no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal deadline February 8, 2010) to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this Water Pollution Control Permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The draft Water Pollution Control Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Paul Eckert on (775) 687-9401 or visit the Bureau of Mining website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>.

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