



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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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 and the Federal Clean Water Act. The Administrator has received an application of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit #NV0023981 from the following applicant:

**City of Ely
501 Mill Street
Ely, NV 89301**

Municipal wells RW-6P and RW-7P provide potable water to The City of Ely (Ely) Municipal Water System. Any excess water not accepted by the water system will overflow the collection box and be diverted into the Ely stormwater system. The permit is for discharge of potable groundwater to Murry Creek via the Ely stormdrain system. The daily maximum flow rate will be 10.00 MGD. The potable water will flow from the collection box to the Murry Creek drop inlet located in Murry Street, approximately ½ mile southwest of Ely through the City of Ely. At the exit of the Ely stormdrain system the water is released to the Murry Creek Ditch on the north side of Ely. From there, the water enters the Georgetown Ranch and White Pine County Golf Course where the water is used for irrigation purposes. Any excess water not used for irrigation continues north in Murry Creek which subsequently flows into Steptoe Creek.

Based on a review of the NPDES permit application, the Division has made the tentative determination to issue the NPDES 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 or by Fax, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, by **5:00 P.M. on January 25, 2011**, either in person or by mail to:

**Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 S. Stewart St., Ste. 4001
Carson City, NV 89701**

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before **5:00 P.M. on January 25, 2011** will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment 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. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public 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 Jeryl Gardner of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9423, or at jgardner@ndep.nv.gov, or FAX (775) 687-4684. Copies of the Fact Sheet and Public Notice may be viewed or printed from the NDEP website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.

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

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