



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Intent

Permit #0222

Standard Gold Mining, Inc.

Standard Gold Mine

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for a major modification to an existing reclamation permit for a mining operation for the Standard Gold Mine project has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for Permit #0222 is:

Standard Gold Mining, Inc.
P.O. Box 330
Imlay, NV 89418

This project is located in Pershing County within portion(s) of Sections 1 and 2, Township 30 North, Range 33 East and Sections 1, 34, 35 and 36, Township 31 North, Range 33 East, M.D.B.; approximately 50 miles from the community of Winnemucca, Nevada. Standard Gold Mine project was initially permitted in March, 2004. Reclamation Permit #0222 permitted up to 221 acres of disturbance on private land owned and/or leased by Standard Gold Mining, Inc. (SGMI). In June 2007, the permit was modified to total project disturbance of 304 acres to include acreage required to complete reclamation activities on the existing disturbance, all on private land. This Notice of Intent for permit modification includes an approximate 133 acres of new disturbance on public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM); consisting of expansions of existing open pits, haul road, access road and exploration roads. This modification also includes an approximate 80 acres of additional disturbance on private land; consisting of a heap leach pad expansion, open pit expansions, waste rock storage areas, and ancillary facilities. The total permitted project surface disturbance on private and public lands is 511.1 acres.

The Administrator is constrained to modify the reclamation permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to modify the reclamation permit.

Persons wishing to submit written comments or information on the tentative decision must do so in writing no later than by 5 PM on July 11, 2010. Any person who is directly affected by the

application for a permit may request, in writing, a public hearing on the application for a permit. The request must state the reason for the request and the issues to be raised at the hearing. This request must be submitted, in writing, no later than by 5 PM on July 11, 2010.

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
901 S. Stewart St. Ste 4001
Carson City, NV 89701

All comments or objections received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this application. If the Division determines written comments or requests are reasonable and indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 519A.200. The Division will accept written comments in the form of facsimile, e-mail, or by mail. The comments may also be hand delivered.

The permit application and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS Chapter 239.010. For more information contact Richard Gantt at (775) 687-9410, or toll free in Nevada (800) 992-0900, select option 2 for State Operator, then ask for 687-9410 or visit the Bureau's website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.