



# STATE OF NEVADA

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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## Notice of Intent

Permit #0305

A.U. Mines. Inc.

Manhattan Gulch Mine

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for a Reclamation Permit for a mining operation for the Manhattan Gulch Mine project has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for Permit # 0305 is:

A.U. Mines. Inc.  
5 Warrior Way  
P.O. Box 54  
Tonopah, NV 89049

This project, will be located within Nye County, and is in portion(s) of Sections 21, 22, 23 and 24, Township 8 North, Range 43 East, and Section 19, Township 8 north, Range 44 East, M.D.M., approximately 40 miles from the community of Tonopah, Nevada. The Manhattan Gulch mine project will be a placer mine operation in the Manhattan Gulch, which has previously been placer mined in the 1940's. The mining activities will occur on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and will include dredging equipment and dredge tailings, a waste rock pile and water storage basins. There will be some administrative facilities constructed on patented (private) land. Approximately 250 acres on new surface disturbance on previously undisturbed area is proposed.

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

Persons wishing to submit written comments or information on the draft of the permit must do so in writing no later than by 5 PM on September 6th, 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 September 6th, 2010.