



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Intent – Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

Web Posting: 12/15/2011

Deadline for Comment: 01/19/2012

Slaven Canyon Mine Permit #0322

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for a Reclamation Permit for a mining operation for the Slaven Canyon Mine project has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for Permit # 0322 is:

Baker Hughes Drilling Fluids P.O. Box 277 Battle Mountain, NV 89820

This project, will be located within Lander County, and is in Section 3, Township 30 North, Range 46 East, M.D.B. & M, approximately fifteen miles from the community of Battle Mountain, Nevada. The project is a barite mine that includes two open pits, one waste rock dump, crushing and screening facilities.

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 January 19, 2012. 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 January 19, 2012, to:

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

All comments, objections or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this Reclamation Permit. 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 draft Reclamation Permit 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 visit the Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>