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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Proposed Action - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

Web Posting: 05/02/2012

Deadline for Comment: 06/04/2012

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for a new Water Pollution Control Permit for the **TJL Placer Project**, a mining and beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV2011108** is:

Bernell Lloyd and Travis J. White, Partners
8253 South 3200 West
West Jordan, Utah 84088-5219

The facility is located on private and public land in southeast White Pine County, Nevada, portions of Sections 21 and 23, Township 14 North, Range 67 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately twenty-five (25) miles east-southeast of the town of Ely.

The project consists of a placer mining and physical separation beneficiation facility (NAC 445A.414), designed to extract gold, with a maximum permitted production rate of 20,000 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of a small open pit mine and a gravity separation process plant incorporating a trommel, jig, Neff bowl, process solution settling ponds, and associated pipelines and pumps. Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated and closed without any discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the 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-mail no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal deadline **04 June 2012**) 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 Miles Shaw on (775) 687-9409 or visit the Bureau of Mining's website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>