



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada, is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and implementing regulations. The Administrator has received an application for a new Groundwater Discharge Permit from the following applicant:

**Western Elite, Inc.
420 North Nellis Boulevard #A3-167
Las Vegas, Nevada 89110**

Western Elite, Inc. currently operates a Class III industrial solid waste disposal site under a Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Bureau of Solid Waste (BSW) permit (SW-277). The site is located in southern Lincoln County approximately 65 miles north of Las Vegas and 30 miles south of Alamo. Current waste acceptance for this site includes construction and demolition wastes, automobile shredder residue, waste tires, industrial wash water sump and grease trap wastes, asbestos, water treatment plant solids/biosolids, as well as pulp and paper solids. Western Elite is in the process of constructing two evaporation ponds for the acceptance of non-hazardous industrial wash water. The engineered evaporation ponds, as constructed, and when operated and maintained properly prevent discharges to groundwaters of the State. Industrial wash water will be transported to the facility and discharged into the ponds via tanker trucks. The liquids will be evaporated and any residual solids will be disposed of in the adjacent Western Elite permitted landfill according to the BSW permitted guidelines. The ponds are expected to be operated in a batch delivery rather than continuous flow basis.

The Division has made the tentative determination to issue the proposed zero-discharge permit for a period of five (5) years. The zero-discharge permit conditions require total containment of the wastewater fluid; any discharge of these fluids to the environment is not allowed.

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, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on June 18, 2012, either in person or by mail to:

**Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701-5249**

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. **June 18, 2012** 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.

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 contacting Michele Reid, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9434, or at mreid@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at www.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.

Mickie Reid
PN Final May 2012