



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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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, the Nevada Administrative Code, and the Safe Drinking Water Act. The Administrator is proposing to issue a new Underground Injection Control (UIC) general permit, **GUSW**.

The proposed permit is to authorize discharges to the groundwaters of the State via Stormwater Drainage Wells (SWDWs) and other similar subsurface distribution systems that are designed to dispose of stormwater runoff. SWDWs are designated Class V (for example subclass 5D2) wells and include 1) vertical wells (bored, drilled, driven or dug hole whose depth is greater than its largest surface dimension), or 2) subsurface stormwater distribution systems which dispose of stormwater below the ground surface. The use of this permit will allow the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection to provide timely coverage for discharges, which when properly managed, will not adversely impact public health, water quality or the environment. This permit establishes Notice of Intent (NOI) requirements, water quality limitations, prohibitions and management practices for two separate stormwater discharge categories.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue general permit GUSW for a five (5) year period, subject to certain discharge limitations and special conditions.

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 **April 15, 2013**, either in person or by mail to:

**Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701**

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day 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. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the 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 Jason Ferrin, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9502, or at jferrin@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.