

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

by the  
State of Nevada  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Air Pollution Control

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, and the Clean Air Act, the Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following notice.

The Administrator received an application for a new Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to Construct (OPTC) AP9711-3419 from the following applicant:

Department of the Army – Hawthorne Army Depot  
1 South Maine Avenue  
Hawthorne, Nevada 89415-5000

The Hawthorne Army Depot is located in Mineral County, Nevada, approximately one mile north of Hawthorne, Nevada, U.S. Hwy 95 North, Section 17, T8N, R30E (MDB&M). The Administrator has prepared a tentative determination regarding the new operating permit to construct that, in brief, includes the following:

- 1) A new diesel-fired boiler that will be used for base operations at HWAD Main Base facility.
- 2) A Mobile Mercury Transfer Station (MMTS) will be utilized to transfer metallic mercury from 3-liter steel flasks, which are packaged inside steel drums, into 1-metric-ton containers.
- 3) One emergency diesel generator (Cummins diesel 147 HP) will provide backup power for the safe shutdown of the MMTS in the event of loss of electric power.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC and the Clean Air Act, the Administrator is hereby announcing her intent to issue the new Class I OPTC AP9711-3419 based on a review of the information, as proposed. A copy of the draft new OPTC is available for public inspection at the following locations:

Mineral County Library  
First and A Street  
Hawthorne, NV 89415

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding this proposed action, or to request a hearing pursuant to NRS 445B Air Pollution and NAC 445B Air Controls, should submit their comments or request in writing, either in person or by mail or fax within thirty (30) days to:

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The application, draft permit, any comments received, and other relevant information may be copied at the above address or copies may be obtained by written request to the above address. Written comments or objections will be received at the Division of Environmental Protection, above address, until **March 8, 2014**, and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the new Class I OPTC. Upon a valid written request received prior to the end of the comment period, the Administrator will schedule a public hearing on the application and proposed action.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know may be interested in this matter.