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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION - Bureau of Regulation and Reclamation

Web Posting: 08/19/2014

Deadline for Comment: 09/18/2014

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) gives notice that an application for a new Water Pollution Control Permit for the **North Bullion Exploration Project Rapid Infiltration Basin**, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The Applicant for Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV2014105** (Permit) is:

**Gold Standard Ventures Corporation
P.O. Box 1897
Elko, NV 89803**

The facility is located on public and private land in Elko County, within Section 27, Township 31 North, Range 53 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 14 miles southeast of the town of Carlin.

The project consists of an exploration drilling operation and a rapid infiltration basin, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.350 through 445A.447, designed to manage excess water generated during exploration drilling, with a maximum permitted infiltration rate up to one (1) million gallons of water per day. The facility is comprised of drill pads, sumps, pumps and conveyance pipelines, and monitoring devices. 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 new Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the new Permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the Permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to NAC 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery or US Postal Service, or by facsimile or e-mail transmittal, no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (publication date 19 August 2014, submittal end date 18 September 2014) to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701-5249

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding the 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 Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 445A.665. For more information, contact Rob Kuczynski, P.E. at (775) 687-9441 or visit the Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>