



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, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action under the authority of the Nevada Revised Statutes, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), and the Safe Drinking Water Act.

The Administrator has received an Underground Injection Control (UIC) permit application for a major modification to permit UNEV2012202 by the following applicant:

ORNI 39, LLC, 6225 Neil Road Reno, Nevada 89511

As part of an expansion including the addition of a second power plant, ORNI 39, LLC is requesting a change from four (4) to eight (8) permitted injection wells in the same sections (9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, and 24, T.20N., R.45E., Lander County, Nevada). The project uses geothermal water and re-injection for purposes of a power production facility within the McGinness Hills Geothermal Project located 10 miles northeast of Austin, Nevada.

This notice is provided to solicit comments regarding use of the injection wells, and other project-related water discharges, pursuant to Nevada UIC and water pollution control regulations. On the basis of preliminary review, the Administrator has made a tentative determination to modify and issue the UIC permit to increase the number of injection wells and continued authorization of water discharge activities.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance or to request a hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request in writing by **November 14, 2014** either in person or by mail to:

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
Attn: Russ Land
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701-5249
(rland@ndep.nv.gov)

All comments or objections received within thirty days of newspaper publication 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 days prior to the hearing date.

The application, comments received, and other information will be on file and may be copied at the office of the Division of Environmental Protection, or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Russ Land of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9428.

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