

NOTICE OF FINAL DECISION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

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Deadline for Appeal: 08/06/2015

**Reclamation Permit 0374
Infiltration Study Exploration Project
Barrick Cortez Inc.**

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection (Division) has decided to issue Reclamation Permit 0374 for an Exploration Project to Barrick Cortez Inc. (Permittee). This Permit authorizes the Permittee to reclaim the Infiltration Study Exploration Project located in Lander County and Eureka County, Nevada. The Division has been provided with an application, in accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 519A to assure the Division that the Permittee will leave the project site safe, stable, and capable of providing for a productive post-mining land use.

This Permit will become effective August 11, 2015. The final determination of the Administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission (Commission) pursuant to NAC 519A.415. All requests for appeals must be filed by 5:00 PM, August 6, 2015, on Form 3 with the Commission at 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249, and in accordance with administrative rules of the Commission.

This Permit authorizes seventy (70) acres of surface disturbance on private lands as described in the permit application dated April 2015, *Infiltration Study Lander and Eureka County, Nevada Exploration Plan of Operations and Reclamation Permit Application*. The project is needed to evaluate sites for future water infiltration basins to support Barrick Cortez Inc.'s mine dewatering activities. The project will consist of drilling shallow boreholes accessed by overland travel which will minimize surface disturbance impacts. No comments were received during the public comment period. For more information, contact Todd Suessmith at 775-687-9412 or visit the Division's Bureau of Mining Reclamation website at <http://www/ndep/nv.gov/bmrr/reclhome.htm> .