

## **NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation**

**Web Posting: 07/15/2015**

**Deadline for Comment: 08/14/2015**

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) gives notice that an application for renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the **Denton-Rawhide Mine Project**, a mining and beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV0088018** is:

**Rawhide Mining LLC  
P.O. Box 2070  
Fallon, Nevada 89407**

The facility is located on public and private land in northeast Mineral County, within portions of Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, and 17, Township 13 North, Range 32 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 36 air miles southeast of the town of Fallon and 32 miles north of the town of Hawthorne.

The Project consists of an open pit mining and heap leach beneficiation facility, designed to extract gold and silver, with a maximum permitted production rate of 7,000,000 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of mine, crushing plant, heap leach pad, ponds, wells, processing plant, and ancillary support facilities. 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 renewed Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewed Permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Water Pollution Control Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the Permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery, United States Postal Service, facsimile, or e-mail no later than 5:00 PM on the 30<sup>st</sup> day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal end date 14 August 2015) to:

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

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this Water Pollution Control 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 Water Pollution Control Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Shawn Gooch at (775) 687-9557 or visit the Bureau of Mining's website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>.