

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

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

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 of Proposed Action.

The Director received an application for a Revision of Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to Construct (OPTC) AP1041-2805 (FIN A0005) from the following applicant:

Barrick Goldstrike Mines Inc.
P.O. Box 29
Elko, Nevada 89803

Barrick Goldstrike Mines Inc. is located in Eureka County, approximately 27 miles north of Carlin, Nevada, and is accessed from Interstate 80 (Exit 280) along State Route 766, in all or portions of Sections 1-4, Township 35N, Range 49E; Sections 12-15, 21-28, and 33-36, Township 36N, Range 49E; Sections 7-9, 16-21 and 28-32, Township 36N, Range 50E, M.D.B. & M. The Director has prepared a tentative determination regarding the operating permit that, in brief, includes the following:

Barrick Goldstrike Mines Inc. proposed changes to their OPTC to accommodate the updated design of their Resin-in-Leach (RIL) circuit and added an underground water Surface-Filtration Plant (SFP) to its Meikle Underground Operation. These changes include revising throughput process rates and the addition of equipment, including changes to the Thiosulfate Cooling Tower and Thiosulfate Feed System and the addition of a Surface-Filtration Plant Lime Silo.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC and the Clean Air Act, the Director is hereby announcing his intent to issue the proposed revised Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to Construct based on a review of the information submitted. A copy of the draft permit will be available for public inspection at the following locations:

EUREKA BRANCH LIBRARY
80 SOUTH MONROE STREET
EUREKA, NV 89316

ELKO COUNTY LIBRARY
720 COURT STREET
ELKO, NV 89801

Persons wishing to comment 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, Director's Review, proposed 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 Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, above address, until **June 20, 2016**, and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the revised Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to Construct.

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