

NOTICE OF DECISION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

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Deadline for Appeal: 06/03/2016

WPC Permit No. NEV0000023

Cortez Gold Mine

Cortez Joint Venture dba Barrick Cortez Inc.

The Administrator of the State of Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) has decided to renew Water Pollution Control Permit NEV0000023 to Barrick Cortez Inc. This Permit authorizes the closure of approved mining facilities in Lander County, Nevada. The Division has been provided with sufficient information, in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.350 through 445A.447, to assure that the waters of the State will not be degraded by this operation, and that public safety and health will be protected.

The Permit will become effective **8 June 2016**. The final determination of the Administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 445A.605 and NAC 445A.407. All requests for appeals must be filed by 5:00 PM, **3 June 2016**, on Form 3, with the State Environmental Commission, 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249. For more information, contact Lisa Kreskey at (775) 687-9415 or visit the Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/index.htm>

No comments were received during the public comment period.