

## **NOTICE OF DECISION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation**

**Web Posting: 03/31/2016**

**Deadline for Appeal: 04/10/2016**

**WPC Permit No. NEV0095111  
Pipeline Infiltration Project  
Barrick Cortez Inc.**

The Administrator of the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) has decided to issue a major modification of Water Pollution Control Permit NEV0095111 to Barrick Cortez Inc. This Permit authorizes the construction, operation, and closure of approved mine dewatering water management facilities in Lander and Eureka Counties, Nevada. The major modification includes construction of the new Cottonwood II, III, and IV infiltration sites (12 rapid infiltration basins total), a new lined pond, a new pump station, and pipelines to interconnect the components. 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 15 April 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, 10 April 2016, on Form 3, with the State Environmental Commission, 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249. For more information, contact Tom Gray at (775) 687-9403 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, which ended on 11 March 2016.