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Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control Groundwater Protection Branch Underground Injection Control Program

FACT SHEET

Closure procedures for a septic system accepting <u>industrial</u> and sanitary wastewater into a common septic tank and drain or leach field.

- D Complete and submit to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) the Class V Well Pre-Closure Notification Form for approval of closure plan **prior** to beginning any procedures to close the Class V Injection Well. Include all required items listed on the Class V Well Pre-Closure Notification Form.
- Provide an acceptable alternative to well discharge for disposal of waste fluids. The alternative must comply with all regulations such that no violation or future violation of primary drinking water standards results at the point of discharge.
- D Best Management Practices must be instituted that reduce the amount of contaminants released into the environment through product changes, improved operating practices, reuse of materials, onsite closed-loop recycling, on and off-site reclamation, and water conservation.
- D Identify the locations of all floor and other types of drains, drain lines, drywells, cesspools or septic systems at the facility.
- D Contact local agencies and incorporate their requirements into the well closure plans.
- D Remove the contents from the drains and drain lines and the well(s) or septic tank(s) and determine appropriate disposal methods. The owner/operator is ultimately responsible for proper disposal of all wastes, including solids from tanks, and should carefully review all arrangements for disposal to ensure compliance with federal, State, and local regulatory requirements.
- Disconnect and cap the drain lines from facility to the separator/interceptor. Permanently seal all floor drains. Also disconnect and cap the drain lines from the separator/interceptor to the disposal well or tank. Either remove the separator/interceptor or fill with cement to prevent any future use of the separator/interceptor. All waste associated with cleaning the drains and lines should be disposed of in accordance with federal, State, and local regulations.
- D The septic tank should have the contents removed and disposed of appropriately. If a visual inspection of the tank indicates cracks or leaks, the tank and any visibly or potentially contaminated soil in the vicinity should be removed and disposed of appropriately. The tank may then be used for sanitary waste only, and the drainpipes leading from the restrooms need not be disconnected.
- D Note the post closure items required to be submitted to NDEP within forty-five (45) days from the conclusion of the closure. These items are included on the Class V Well Pre-Closure Notification Form.