

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

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As required by NAC 445.42116 through NAC 445.42128, an environmental review has been performed on the proposed project listed below:

Project: Douglas County Sanitation District # 1
Redundant Wastewater Forcemain

Location: Round Hill- Lake Tahoe, Douglas County,
Latitude: 38° 58' 56" N
Longitude: 119° 55' 43" W

Project Number: CS32-0711

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection plans on issuing a State Revolving Loan to the Douglas County Sanitation District Number 1 (DCSID1) to cover the construction of approximately 4400 lineal feet of 18-inch diameter forcemain pipeline that will be used to convey all wastewater up to the wastewater treatment plant. Several breaks in the existing forcemain have resulted in releases of raw wastewater to the surface and posed a public health risk. Completion of this project will lead to a more reliable wastewater pumping system for the treatment facility.

Specific activities to construct this proposed project that may constitute an environmental disturbance include site excavation and grading at the construction site. The majority of this disturbance will be in areas that are already developed at the treatment plant. In undisturbed areas, an environmental review has been conducted and specific mitigation measures have been determined with the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) and the Nevada Department of Forestry.

The Division's environmental review process did not indicate significant environmental impacts from this projects construction and no jurisdictional wetlands were noted. Therefore, a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) is the preliminary determination made by the Division. Information supporting this decision is available for public review at the offices of the Division listed above.

Comments supporting or disagreeing with this decision may be submitted to the Division at the address listed above for the attention of Joseph Maez. After evaluating all comments received, the Division will make a final decision on whether to issue this FONSI ruling. The deadline for submitting a response is hereby set for **July 25, 2007**. A copy of the facility plan for this project is available from the State Clearinghouse Coordinator (**209 East Musser Street, Room 200, Carson City, NV 89701**).