



STATE OF NEVADA

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Proposed Action

July 9, 2007

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes.

The Administrator has received a complete application for renewal of water pollution control discharge permit (NEV60043) from the following applicant:

U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Lahontan National Fish Hatchery
710 U.S. Highway 395
Gardnerville, Nevada 89410

The Permittee operates the Lahontan National Fish Hatchery located four miles south of Gardnerville, Nevada at 701 U.S. Highway 395. The facility consists of three parallel raceways for rearing fish and a settling pond. Water for the hatchery is obtained from four production wells. The discharge from the hatchery is used for irrigation and is delivered via the Allerman Canal. The proposed permit will cover a period of five (5) years.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue a permit to discharge, subject to certain effluent limitations and special conditions.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, for Water Pollution Control should submit their comments or request, in writing, or Fax within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, by August 16, 2007, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within thirty (30) days will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Icyll Mulligan of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9432, or the Fact Sheet and Public Notice can be viewed at the NDEP website: <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.

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

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