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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Public Notice of Proposed Action

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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 complete applications for Temporary Working in Waterways Permit TNEV2006465 and Temporary Discharge permit TNEV2007374 for dewatering and water management discharges from the following applicant:

City of Sparks
431 Prater Way
Sparks, Nevada 89431

The applicant, the City of Sparks (COS) proposes to construct a recreational venue in the Truckee River known as The Truckee River Whitewater Park at Rock Park, at Rock Park in Sparks Latitude: 39 31' 13" N, Longitude 119 45' 49" W. The project as proposed, will extend approximately 1,500 feet in length, and will include the construction of multiple drop structures composed of large boulders infilled with concrete, the installation of river current deflectors, and the placement of large boulders in the river channel.

The project will require water management, diversion of the river, and dewatering of approximately one-half of the river channel at a time. Water quality monitoring will be required. The proposed excavation of the river channel to an average depth of five (5) feet below the existing river bed will be necessary to construct the proposed drop structures. Pools will be excavated immediately downstream of the each drop structure. Large native and imported boulders are proposed to be placed in the constructed pools

Other improvements to Rock Park proper and along the north bank of the river are included in the project to provide additional landscaping, ADA compatible access ramps, upgrades to the bike path, and >put in= and >take out= facilities. Monitoring and Best Management Practices will be required to ensure that the Truckee River is not degraded by the discharges and construction activities. The proposed permits will be for a period not to exceed 180 days.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue discharge permits TNEV2006465 and TNEV2007374, 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, Water Pollution Control should submit their comments or request, in

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writing, within fifteen (15) days of the date of the newspaper publication, hand delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on January 26, 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 the fifteen (15) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permits, 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 permits, 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 at imulliga@ndep.nv.gov or by FAX at (775) 687-4684. Copies of the Fact Sheet and Public Notice may be viewed or printed from the NDEP website at <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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