



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Proposed Action

Web posting date 3/23/09

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the Boulder Valley Infiltration Project, a dewatering water management facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for renewal of Permit NEV0089068 is:

Barrick Goldstrike Mines, Inc.
P.O. Box 29
Elko, Nevada 89803

The facility is located in Eureka County, Sections 22, 23, 24, 27, 33 and 34, T36N, R49E; Sections 3, 4, 5, 7 and 18, T35N, R49E; and, Sections 24, 25, 26 and 35, T35N, R48E, MDB&M, approximately 27 miles northwest of Carlin, Nevada. The project consists of managing dewatering water from the Barrick Goldstrike Mine for reintroduction to groundwater via rapid infiltration basins. The project is designed, constructed, and will be operated and closed without any discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation or in the permit except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the renewal Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewal permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Water Pollution Control Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery, United States Postal Service, facsimile, or e-mail no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal deadline April 24, 2009) to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this Water Pollution Control Permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this

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matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The draft Water Pollution Control Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Paul Eckert at (775) 687-9401 or visit the Bureau of Mining website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>.

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