



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Intent

Reclamation Permit # 0025

Barrick Gold U.S., Inc.
P.O. Box 2706
Elko, NV 89803

Bald Mountain Mine

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that a Major Modification Reclamation Permit application for a mining operation for the Bald Mountain Mine North Operations Area Project has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for Permit 0025 is:

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This project, will be located within White Pine County, and is in:

Portion of Secs. 5-9, 13-30, 32, 35-36 T.24N, R.57E;

Portion of Secs. 1, 11-15, 22-24 T.24N, R56E; Portion of Secs. 1 & 12, T.23N., R.57E;

Portion of Secs. 5-7, T.23N., R.58E; Portion of Secs. 18-20, 29-32, T. 24N., R.58E

M.D.B. & M, approximately 65 miles northwest from the community of Ely, Nevada.

This permitting action will consolidate two existing permits (Bald Mountain Mine and Mooney Basin Project) as well as expand existing mining facilities and create additional facilities within the Plan of Operations (PoO) boundary. New facilities will include mining pits and rock disposal areas. The disturbance proposed by this modification will result in an additional 3,920 acres of mining disturbance entirely on public land administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

The Administrator is constrained to issue the reclamation permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the reclamation permit.

Persons wishing to submit written comments or information on the tentative decision, must do so in writing no later than by 5 PM on January 15, 2010. Any person who is directly affected by the application for a permit may request, in writing, a public hearing on the application for a permit. The request must state the reason for the request and the issues to be raised at the hearing. This request must be submitted, in writing, no later than by 5 PM on January 15, 2010.

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
901 S. Stewart St. Ste 4001
Carson City, NV 89701

All comments or objections received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this application. If the Division determines written comments or requests are reasonable and indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 519A.200. The Division will accept written comments in the form of facsimile, e-mail, or by mail. The comments may also be hand delivered.

The permit application and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS Chapter 239.010. For more information contact Todd Suessmith at (775) 687-9412, or toll free in Nevada (800) 992-0900, select option 2 for State Operator, then ask for 687-9412 or visit the Bureau's website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>.