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Notice of Proposed Action

Permit #NEV2009114

Krause Thacke Mining and Minerals, LLC

Jackpot/Patsy Mine Project

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for a new Water Pollution Control Permit for the Jackpot/Patsy Mine Project, a mining and beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for the new Water Pollution Control Permit NEV2009114 is:

Krause Thacke Mining and Minerals, LLC
HC 62 Box 17A
Searchlight, NV 89046

The facility is located on public land in south central Clark County, within a portion of Sections 32 and 33, Township 25 South, Range 64 East; and Section 5, Township 26 South, Range 64 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 24 miles south (by air) of Boulder City and 1.5 miles (by air) northwest of Nelson.

The project consists of a surface mine (excavation trench) and physical separation facility utilizing gravity, to extract gold and silver from ores obtained on-site, with a maximum permitted production rate of 36,000 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of a mine and production facility consisting of a stockpile pad, coarse and fine crushing and screening plants (with associated feed bins and conveyors), a concentrating table, and several tanks for water collection, clarification and recycling back into the process. The tailings fraction is transported to a waste rock disposal facility for temporary stockpiling until it is returned to the excavation trench as backfill. Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated and closed without any discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the new Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the new 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 October 8, 2010) 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 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 Rob Kuczynski, P.E. at (775) 687-9441 or visit the Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>