



STATE OF NEVADA

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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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 and the Clean Water Act. The Administrator is proposing a new General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit: **NVG201000**.

The proposed permit is to authorize water discharges associated with various activities to Waters of the United States (U.S.). This general permit has been developed to authorize a range of water discharges under one permit. The use of this permit will allow NDEP to provide timely coverage for discharges, which when properly managed, will not adversely impact public health, water quality or the environment. Permit requirements have been established for five (5) discharge categories. Discharges from the following activities are considered De Minimis when they are consistent with the provisions of this general NPDES water discharge permit: Discharge Category 1 - Public water supply system discharges; Discharge Category 2 - Well testing & maintenance / aquifer testing / water quality testing; Discharge Category 3 - Subsurface water discharges; Discharge Category 4 - Utility vault water discharges; Discharge Category 5 - Miscellaneous water discharges. Notice of Intent (NOI) and monitoring requirements have been established for these categories based on type and length of discharge.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended and implementing regulations, and The Clean Water Act, the Administrator proposes to issue a General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit NVG201000 for a five (5) year period, subject to the effluent limitations as described above.

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 writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on **February 4th, 2011**, either in person or by mail to:

**Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249**

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 thirty (30) day period 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 contacting Clifford M. Lawson, P.E., Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9435, or at clawson@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at www.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.