



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

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 has received a complete application to renew Nevada Groundwater Discharge Permit NEV97016 from the following Applicant:

**Utilities Inc. of Central Nevada
1240 E. State Street, Suite 115
Pahrump, Nevada 89048**

The Permittee has applied for a renewal of a permit to discharge from Plant "F" to groundwaters of the state via infiltration in rapid infiltration basins (Outfall 001) and land application via onsite effluent reuse irrigation (Outfall 002). The existing Upflow Sludge Blanket Filtration (USBF) package treatment plant is a 0.050 million gallons per day plant. The USBF plant is designed to treat domestic wastewater.

The plant will be operated in accordance with the approved Operations and Maintenance Manual (O&M) for the facility. This plant is designed to treat wastewater to meet secondary treatment standards, as defined by NAC 445A.275. The facility produces denitrified and disinfected effluent meeting the 30-day average standard of 2.2 CFU/100 ml Fecal Coliform for reuse category Class B effluent, as defined by NAC 445A.276. There is a 55' X 80' HDPE lined storage basin on site which can be used as a flow equalization basin for influent wastewater flows to mitigate peak flow events and stormwater.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding the issuance of the permit, or to 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 September 17, 2012**, either in person or by mail to:

**Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701**

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before **5:00 P.M. September 17, 2012** will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment 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. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public 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 Rob Wimer, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at rwimer@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheets for these facilities 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.