



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 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit NV0020150 from the following Applicant:

**Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility
Cities of Reno and Sparks
P.O. Box 857
Sparks, Nevada 89432**

The Applicant proposes to continue to discharge treated domestic and industrial wastewater from the Cities of Reno and Sparks and portions of Washoe County to the Truckee River via Steamboat Creek at a permitted maximum rate of 44.0 million gallons per day (MGD). The treatment plant has a design capacity 44.0 MGD. The plant removes solids, treats biological compounds, reduces nutrients (nitrogen and phosphorus), and disinfects the effluent prior to discharge. Monitoring will continue to be required to ensure that the water in the Truckee River is not degraded by this discharge. Reuse of the treated effluent and biosolids from this facility are permitted separately. On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to reissue the discharge permit, subject to certain effluent limitations, for a period of five (5) years.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding the issuance of either 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 April 30, 2012**, either in person or by mail to:

**Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
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. April 30, 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 Jeryl Gardner, P.E., Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9423, or at jgardner@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.

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