



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/or the Clean Water Act, where applicable. The Administrator has received an application for a Groundwater Discharge, permit number NS0070015 from the following applicant:

CITY OF ELY
501 MILL STREET
ELY, NV - 89301

Permit NS0070015, CITY OF ELY WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:

The City of Ely has applied for renewal of groundwater discharge permit NS0070015, formerly NEV70015. The City owns and operates a wastewater treatment and disposal facility located on North Ogden Road in White Pine County, Nevada. Wastewater is treated in an extended-aeration mechanical treatment plant with a rated design capacity of 1.5 million gallons per day. During the growing season, typically April through October, treated effluent is used to irrigate approximately 80 acres of alfalfa and other forage crops at the nearby Georgetown Ranch. When not used for irrigation, treated effluent is discharged to groundwater via two rapid infiltration basins located approximately 1.5 miles north of the treatment facility.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NS0070015 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations.

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 12/09/2013, either in person or by mail to:

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

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 determination(s) 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 applications, proposed permits, 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 Arthur B. Marr III, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9432 or at amarr@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. For further information, the fact sheet for this project can be viewed at the following website: <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.

Please bring the forgoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.