NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION – Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

Web Posting: 01/07/2014

Deadline for Comment: 02/14/2014

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) gives notice that an application for renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the **Crescent Mill Site**, a beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The Applicant for the renewal Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV0096104** (Permit) is:

John A. Yeager
P.O. Box 61
Searchlight, Nevada 89046

The facility is located on private land in Clark County, within Section 29, Township 28S, Range 61E, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 15 miles west of the town of Searchlight.

The project consists of a physical separation facility, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.414, designed to extract gold, with a maximum permitted production rate of up to 1,000 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of a mill, settling ponds, and water tanks. 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 renewal Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewal Permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the Permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to NAC 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery or US Postal Service, or by facsimile or e-mail transmittal, no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (publication date 15 January 2014, submittal end date 14 February 2014) to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701-5249

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding the 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 Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 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