



# 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 Manufacturing, Commercial, Mining and Silvicultural facility that discharges NON-PROCESS Wastewater, permit number NV0022691 from the following applicant:

LAKE LAS VEGAS MASTER ASSOCIATION  
2030 LAKE LAS VEGAS PKWY.  
HENDERSON, NV - 89011

### Permit NV0022691, LAKE LAS VEGAS DAM:

The Permittee has applied for renewal of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit #NV0022691 for discharges of water from Lake Las Vegas to the Las Vegas Wash (LVW) for the purpose of lake water quality management. Lake Las Vegas is located between Lake Las Vegas Parkway and North Shore Road, which is accessed via Lake Mead Drive (State Route 564) in Henderson, Clark County, Nevada. The resort is a 2,600-acre property incorporating residential, resort and commercial development. Lake Las Vegas is a 320-acre man-made impoundment filled with water from Lake Mead, supplied by the Basic Management, Inc (BMI) pipeline. Due to high evaporative losses and infiltration of high salinity ground water, Lake Las Vegas total dissolved solids (TDS) level increases up to four (4) times the level observed in Lake Mead water. Generally, the Lake Las Vegas TDS level increases to about 2,500 mg/L before it is diluted with BMI pipeline water from Lake Mead, which averages 600-700 mg/L of TDS. Discharges up to 2,500 AF/yr (815 million gallons per year) are allowed for water quality management purposes. Water quality discharges are permitted from the period of November 1st through March 30th of each year when the lake water column is de-stratified and aerobic throughout (i.e., dissolved oxygen content is higher than 5.0 mg/L). During the current permit period, from August 2008 through December 2013 there have been no releases of water from the lake for water quality management purposes.

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 NV0022691 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 07/28/2014, 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 Michele Reid, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9434 or at [mreid@ndep.nv.gov](mailto:mreid@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.