

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

Web Posting: 11/14/2015

Deadline for Comment: 12/14/2015

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the **Jackpot/Patsy Mine Project**, a mining and beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for the renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV2009114** is:

Krause Thacke Mining & Minerals L.L.C.
HC 62 Box 17A
Searchlight, NV 89046

The facility is located on public land in south central Clark County, within a portion of Sections 32 and 33, Township 25 South (T25S), Range 64 East (R64E); and Section 5, T26S, R64E, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 24 miles south (by air) of Boulder City and 1.5 miles (by air) northwest of Nelson.

The Project consists of a surface mine and physical separation facility utilizing gravity, to extract gold and silver from ores obtained on-site, with a maximum permitted production rate of 36,000 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of a mine and production facility consisting of a stockpile pad, crushing and screening plants, a concentrating table, and tanks for water collection, clarification and recycling back into the process. The tailings fraction is transported to a waste rock disposal facility for temporary stockpiling until it is returned to the excavation trench as backfill. 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 renewed Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewed 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 14 November 2015, submittal end date 14 December 2015) to:

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

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this Water Pollution Control 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.