

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

by the
State of Nevada
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Air Pollution Control

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, and the Clean Air Act, the Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action.

The Director received an application for a new Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to Construct (OPTC) AP1041-3668 (FIN A1915) from the following applicant:

WK Mining (USA) Ltd.
550 Burrard Street, Suite 788
Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C2B5
Canada

WK Mining (USA) Ltd.'s Three Hills Mine Project is located approximately 1-1/2 miles west of Tonopah, Nevada in Esmeralda County, in all or portions of Sections 3, 4, and 5, Township 2N, Range 42E and Sections 33 and 34, Township 3N, Range 42E, M.D.B. & M. The Director has prepared a tentative determination regarding the operating permit that, in brief, includes the following processes:

WK Mining (USA) Ltd. proposes to construct and operate an Adsorption-Desorption-Recovery (ADR) plant to support open-pit mining activities at their Three Hills Mine Project near Tonopah, Nevada. The proposed draft OPTC contains only those affected sources subject to 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart EEEEEEE – National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP): Gold Mine Processing and Production Area Source Category, which includes certain components of the proposed ADR plant. Other equipment and processes at the Three Hills Mine will be covered in a separate minor source air quality operating permit.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC and the Clean Air Act, the Director is hereby announcing his intent to issue the proposed new Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to Construct based on a review of the information submitted. A copy of the draft permit will be available for public inspection at the following location:

TONOPAH PUBLIC LIBRARY
167 S. CENTRAL STREET
TONOPAH, NEVADA 89049
(775) 482-3374

Persons wishing to comment regarding this proposed action, or to request a hearing pursuant to NRS 445B Air Pollution and NAC 445B Air Controls, should submit their comments or request in writing, either in person or by mail or fax within thirty (30) days to:

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(775) 687-9540
(775) 687-6396 FAX

The application, Director's Review, proposed permit, any comments received, and other relevant information may be copied at the above address or copies may be obtained by written request to the above address. Written comments or objections will be received at the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, above address, until **June 6, 2016**, and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to Construct.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know that may be interested in this matter.