



June 19, 2015

Peggy Roefer  
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RE: Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Notice of Intent to Conduct a Triennial Review of Nevada's Surface Water Quality Standards.

Dear Ms. Roefer,

Thank you for the March 3, 2015 letter in response to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) 2015 water quality standards triennial review. The Southern Nevada Water Authority (Authority) expressed general and specific concerns regarding water quality standards for Lake Mead (Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.2152), Las Vegas Bay (NAC 445A.2152), and the Colorado River (NAC 445A.2148 and 445A.2146).

NDEP acknowledges the issues raised by the Authority and we appreciate the details you provided. NDEP does intend to initiate a thorough review of water quality standards for the above referenced waterbodies and others including the Las Vegas Wash (NAC 445A.2156 and 445A.2158) in the near future. As a major stakeholder in the region the Authority's participation in the review process will be critical. NDEP will contact you once we have determined a more definitive timeline.

Please contact me at (775) 687-9449 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John O. Heggeness, Supervisor  
Water Quality Standards and Monitoring Branch  
Bureau of Water Quality Planning

Enclosure: Authority's March 3, 2015 letter to NDEP