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NOTICE OF DECISION – Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

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Deadline for Appeal: 04/28/2025

Leeville Infiltration Project Nevada Gold Mines, LLC WPC Permit NEV2002105

The Administrator of the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) has decided to issue renewed Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV2002105 to Nevada Gold Mines, LLC.** This Permit authorizes the construction, operation, and closure of approved mining facilities in Lyon County, Nevada. The Division has been provided with sufficient information, in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.350 through 445A.447, to assure that the waters of the State will not be degraded by this operation, and that public safety and health will be protected.

The Permit will become effective **May 4**, **2025**. The final determination of the Administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 445A.605 and NAC 445A.407. All requests for appeals must be filed by 5:00 PM, **April 28**, **2025**, on Form 3, with the State Environmental Commission, 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249. For more information, contact Allie Thibault at (775) 687-9404 or visit the Division website at <u>https://ndep.nv.gov/posts/category/land.</u>

Written Comments were received during the public comment period from Rich McKay, Chairman of Eureka County Board of Commissioners. The text of all comments, in some cases excerpted, and the Division responses (in *italics*) are included below as part of this Notice of Decision.

Rich McKay, Written Comment:

... it is our opinion that there is a reasonable expectation water resources of Eureka County will not be degraded by NGM's infiltration facilities covered under the permit. For these reasons, we support the re-issuance of the permit with the expectation that the County be kept abreast of any anomalies that might occur.

Division Response 1:

Comment noted