



## **NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation**

**Date of Web Posting: 07/01/2026**

**Deadline for Comments: 07/31/2026**

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) gives notice that an application for the Major Modification of the Water Pollution Control Permit for the **Cortez Hills Project**, a mining facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The Applicant for Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV2007106** (Permit) is:

**Nevada Gold Mines  
1655 Mountain City Highway  
Elko, NV 89801**

The facility is located on public land administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Lander County, within Sections 1, 2, 12, 13, and 24, T26N, R47E; Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 17, 18, and 19, T26N R48E; Sections 18, 19, 30, 31, and 32, T27N, R48E, MDB&M, approximately 37 air-miles southeast of the town of Battle Mountain.

The Project consists of an open pit mining, underground mining, and chemical processing facilities, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.394.

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.403, 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 30<sup>th</sup> day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal end date July 31, 2026) to:

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

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding the 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 Charles Schmitz at (775) 687-9415 or visit the Division public notice website at <https://ndep.nv.gov/posts/category/land>.