



## NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and/or the Clean Water Act, where applicable. The Administrator has received an application for a Manufacturing, Commercial, Mining and Silvicultural facility that discharges NON-PROCESS Wastewater, permit number NV0024253 from the following applicant:

SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY  
100 CITY PARKWAY  
LAS VEGAS, NV - 89106

### **Permit NV0024253, WEIR #5 - LAS VEGAS WASH:**

The Permittee, Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA), has applied for a new National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit NV0024253 for the Lower Las Vegas Wash Weir 5 project. The Permittee is proposing to pump near-surface groundwater to the Las Vegas Wash to allow for construction of a new grade control structure (Weir 5) within the Inner Las Vegas Bay. The project is designed to prevent erosion and headcutting of the wash channel. Construction of Weir 5 will reduce flow velocities and erosion potential by flattening the channel slope and dissipating energy.

The Weir 5 project site is located in and around the Inner Las Vegas Bay on approximately 15 acres of public land managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior National Parks Service. The project is located within the Lake Mead National Recreation Area, east of Lake Las Vegas, approximately 1 mile downstream of the North Shore Road bridge in Clark County.

The Permittee is proposing to pump near-surface groundwater to the Las Vegas Wash at a rate of 6,000 gallons per minute, or 8.64 million gallons per day, using 30 dewatering wells and two surface diesel pumps. All pumps will be connected to a pipe routing the groundwater to a single discharge location.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NV0024253 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance should submit their comments or request, in writing, hand delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on 05/20/2024, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Water Pollution Control  
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001  
Carson City, NV 89701

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the

tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The applications, proposed permits, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Bonnie Hartley, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9502 or at [bhartley@ndep.nv.gov](mailto:bhartley@ndep.nv.gov). The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. For further information, the fact sheet for this project can be viewed at the following website: <https://ndep.nv.gov/posts/category/water>.

Please bring the forgoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.