

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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## 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 NV0024259 from the following applicant:

SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY 100 NORTH CITY PARKWAY, SUITE 700 LAS VEGAS, NV - 89106

## Permit NV0024259, MONTHILL PS & PIPELINE:

The Permittee, Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA), has applied for a new National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for discharges associated with the Stage II Reliability Upgrades Project in Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada.

SNWA's Stage II Reliability Upgrades Project proposes to enhance existing infrastructure as well as construct new infrastructure to support its water system and improve reliability for customers. A portion of the Stage II Reliability Upgrades will consist of making modifications to the Hacienda Pumping Station. This Station has a conveyance capacity of 180 million gallons per day (MGD) and serves a critical, central area of the Las Vegas Valley. The project also includes construction of a new 90 MGD pumping station on the south portion of the Las Vegas Valley Water District's Campbell Pumping Station and Reservoir site and approximately 1.75 miles of 66-inch diameter pipeline from the new pumping station to the existing Hacienda Pumping Station. Furthermore, a forebay for the new pumping station will also be constructed. Additionally, a new fiber optics line will be installed between the intersection of Pearl Street and Hacienda Avenue and the existing Hacienda Pumping Station. Finally, an 18-inch diameter blow-off line will be constructed below the fiber optic line from the Hacienda vault to the existing Hacienda Pumping Station. In order to make the modifications and install the new infrastructure, shallow groundwater will need to be intercepted and discharged from the active construction areas. To do this, the Permittee is proposing to install an array of 50-footdeep dewatering wells for the pumping station and forebay area and 30-foot deep wells for the piping and fiber optics placement. Intercepted groundwater will be discharge to nearby storm drain inlets and the discharged water will ultimately flow into the Las Vegas Wash.

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 NV0024259 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 01/10/2025, 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.

A public hearing on the proposed determination can be requested by the applicant, any affected State, any affected interstate agency, the Regional Administrator of EPA Region IX or any interested agency, person or group of persons. The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason why a hearing is warranted. Any public hearing determined by the Administrator to be held must be conducted in the geographical area of the proposed discharge or any other area the Administrator determined to be appropriate. All public hearings must be conducted in accordance with NAC 445A.238.

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. 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.