



NOTICE OF DECISION

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Water Pollution Control (Division), is issuing the following temporary permit under the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) and/or the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), where applicable. The Division has received an application for a UIC Permit, number **UNEV2007204T2025-1 REVISED**, from the following applicant:

ORNI 37 LLC (ORMAT)
6140 Plumas Street
Reno, NV 89519

Permit UNEV2007204T2025-1 REVISED:

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection – Bureau of Water Pollution Control (Division) has authorized an increase in the injection rate limit for specified injection wells under Temporary UIC Permit UNEV2007204T2024-1, raising the limit from 49,500 gallons per minute (gpm) to 55,000 gpm. This temporary permit, issued pursuant to NAC 445A.890.1(b), is valid for 180 days or until the Division completes final action on the pending major modification application dated February 12, 2025 (originally submitted as a renewal request on January 30, 2025), in accordance with NAC 445A.890.5.

The Permittee, ORMAT, has applied for renewal and modification of Permit UNEV2007204 to continue geothermal fluid injection and associated discharge activities at the Steamboat Geothermal Power Project in Washoe County, Nevada. Under Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 445A and Underground Injection Control (UIC) regulations (NAC 445A.810 to 445A.925), ORMAT is authorized to inject and discharge fluids from the designated wells in compliance with the conditions set forth in this permit and the Nevada UIC Permit Requirements for Geothermal Projects.

Key operational conditions include the injection of geothermal fluids below the casing shoe, discharge of geothermal water from maintenance activities into bermed basins, and injection of cooling tower blowdown water contingent upon prior approval. All chemical additives must be approved by the Division through UIC Form U240. The Permittee is required to notify the Director within 24 hours if any noncompliance potentially threatens underground sources of drinking water, public health, or the environment. All discharges must comply with established permit limits, and any new or increased effluents must be reported via a new application for possible permit modification.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Division regarding permit issuance should submit their comments or requests, in writing, hand delivered or postmarked no later than **5:00 P.M. on July 13, 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



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Joe Lombardo, *Governor*
James A. Settlemeyer, *Director*
Jennifer L. Carr, *Administrator*

All comments or objections received by the above date and time will be considered by the Administrator in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. Public notice of such hearing will be posted on the NDEP website at least thirty (30) days in advance of the hearing date.

The application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are kept on file and may be copied at the office of the Division of Environmental Protection, or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Bret Allen of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control by phone: (775) 687-9575 or b.allen@ndep.nv.gov. Please bring this notice to the attention of any persons who might be interested in this matter.