



Notice of Request for Section 401 Water Quality Certification Action - Bureau of Water Quality Planning

Web Posting: 4/26/2024

Deadline for Comments: 5/27/2024

**1228 and 1232 U.S. Highway 50 New Pier
Douglas County**

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Certification Action Number NV-401-24-016

The purpose of this project is to construct a new 170-foot (length) by 10-foot (width) pier with a 15-foot-wide pier head. The project also proposes installation of two 3-foot by 30-foot catwalks and two 6,000 lbs. capacity boatlifts. The new pier structure will require installation of twenty-four 10 ¼-inch diameter pilings, six 4x4x¼-inch pilings, two 2 ½-inch diameter pipe columns, and two 10x49-inch pilings disturbing 16.1 ft² of lakebed. To reduce sediment resuspension from escaping the project area, sediment control will be achieved by the installation of caissons during installation of the new piling. Additionally, two mooring buoy anchor blocks will be removed. Lastly, a fish habitat mitigation structure, comprised of 6–8-inch cobbles will be placed on the lakebed to offset the proposed impacts to feed and cover fish habitat. The project is anticipated to occur between 6/1/2024 and 12/31/2025. The proposed activities will require the use of a Letter of Permission (SPK-2022-00107) administered by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

A 401 certification (or a waiver of certification) is required for any federal license or permit that authorizes activities that may result in any discharge into waters of the United States. Nevada Division of Environmental Protection is in receipt of a complete request for certification in compliance with Clean Water Act Section 401 Certification regulations which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency promulgated in 2023, codified as 40 CFR 121.

The Administrator is evaluating whether the proposed activity will comply with applicable water quality requirements. Certification actions are valid for the duration of the federal license or permit (typically five years). Any conditions contained within the certification action become a condition of the federal license or permit.

Persons wishing to comment on the application for consideration by the Administrator in making a determination regarding the certification action should submit their comments or request a hearing in writing, emailed no later than 5:00 P.M. on 5/27/2024:

Bureau of Water Quality Planning
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249
ndep401@ndep.nv.gov

The request for a hearing 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 water quality-related comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final certification action 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.

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 Zachary Carter, Bureau of Water Quality Planning, at (775) 687-9456 or ndep401@ndep.nv.gov. The public notice 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 interested in this matter.