

STATE OF NEVADA Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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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

0 & 44 Somers Loop Evergreen Impact, LLC New Multiple-use Pier Washoe County

Exline & Company, Inc. P.O. Box 16789 South Lake Tahoe, CA 96151

Certification Action Number NV-401-24-015

The purpose of this project is to construct a new multiple-use pier within Lake Tahoe located lakeward of 0 and 44 Somers Loop, Crystal Bay, Washoe County, Nevada. The proposed pier will extend 70.0 feet to a lake bottom elevation of 6,207 feet. The pier will include two 12,000 lbs. capacity boatlifts installed on each side of the pier. The proposed pier will require twelve 12" open steel pilings and four boatlift I-beams to be driven into the substrate disturbing 9.92 ft² of lakebed. Disturbed fish habitat will be mitigated at a 1:1 ratio resulting in one 12.25 ft² stacked boulder/cobble pyramid structure. Construction is expected to commence winter 2024/2025 and is expected to require 120 days to complete. The proposed activities will require the use of a Letter of Permission (SPK-2024-00259) 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 <u>ndep401@ndep.nv.gov</u>

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. 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.