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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 NV0024267 from the following applicant:

GOLD STANDARD VENTURES (US) INC.
2320 LAST CHANCE ROAD
ELKO, NV - 89801

Permit NV0024267, SOUTH RAILROAD MINE:

The Permittee, Gold Standard Ventures (US) Inc., has applied for a new National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit NV0024267 for the South Railroad Mine project located approximately 20 miles southeast of Carlin, within Elko County, Nevada. The Permittee is proposing to discharge treated intercepted groundwater to an unnamed tributary, that flows into Dixie Creek, via a pipeline.

The South Railroad Project is a proposed open pit gold mine. To do advanced mining below the water table, groundwater will be withdrawn from dewatering wells and an in-pit sump. A portion of extracted groundwater will be consumed through mine operations. Extracted groundwater that exceeds mine operation needs will be sent to a water treatment plant to reduce concentrations of constituents like arsenic, which occur naturally in groundwater. Once treated to meet water quality standards, groundwater will be discharged to an unnamed tributary of Dixie Creek.

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 NV0024267 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 11/28/2026, 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 public hearing has been scheduled for:

Monday, November 30, 2026, at 4:30 p.m.

at

Elko County Library 720 Court Street

Elko, Nevada 89801

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 Melissa Hanson, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9315 or at mhanson@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.