



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

**Web Posting: 11/12/2024**

**Deadline for Comments: 12/12/2024**

**580 Gonowabie Pier Expansion  
Washoe County**

**Basin Strategies Planning and Consulting  
1046 Lucerne Way  
Incline Village, NV 89451**

**Certification Action Number NV-401-24-040**

The purpose of this project is to expand an existing single-use pier located within Lake Tahoe lakeward of 580 Gonowabie Road, Crystal Bay, Washoe County, Nevada. The project will extend the pier from 35 feet to 41 feet in length as measured from the high water line. The pier will remain 13 feet wide. The existing 6,000 lbs. capacity boat lift will be replaced with a new 12,000 lbs. capacity boat lift at the lakeward end of the expanded pier. The current lake access stairs will be removed and replaced with a 3-foot-wide by 20-foot-long catwalk with adjustable ramp access on the south side of the extended pier. Five piles are proposed to be added, including two boat lift piles, two pier piles, and one pile to support the new catwalk. The one existing boat lift pile is proposed to be removed. A nine square foot rock pyramid is proposed as fish habitat mitigation. This project will utilize a Regional General Permit 4 (SPK-2024-00578) administered by the 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 12/12/2024:

Bureau of Water Quality Planning  
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001  
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249  
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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](mailto: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 foregoing notice to the attention of all persons interested in this matter.