



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

Web Posting: 12/12/2024

Deadline for Comments: 1/13/2025

**Spoooner Lake State Park Pier and Ramp
Douglas County**

**Nevada Division of State Lands
901 S Stewart Street, Ste 5005
Carson City, NV 89701**

Certification Action Number NV-401-24-053

The purpose of this project is to provide improved recreational access at Spooner Lake State Park in Glenbrook, Douglas County, Nevada. The proposed project includes the construction of a pier and a non-motorized boat launch ramp. The proposed pier would be a fixed structure supported by 28 concrete pilings (30-inch diameter) and would extend 87.8 feet from a concrete landing. The boat launch ramp would be constructed from concrete, aggregate base, and engineered fill. The boat launch ramp would be 2,526 square feet in area and would include approximately 900 square feet of riprap around the perimeter of the ramp. Spooner Lake water elevations are controlled through an outlet structure on the lake. During construction, the lake level will be lowered below the elevations of the proposed boat launch ramp and pier to allow for construction in dry conditions. Construction is anticipated to commence spring/fall 2025 and is expected to require two months to complete construction. This project would utilize Clean Water Act Section 404 Nationwide Permit 25 (Structural Discharges) and Nationwide Permit 36 (Boat Ramps) 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 1/13/2025:

Bureau of Water Quality Planning
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
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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. 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.