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

Web Posting: 4/20/2026

Deadline for Comments: 5/20/2026

**Pleasant Valley Interceptor, Reach 3 - Steamboat Creek Northern Crossing
Washoe County**

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Certification Action Number NV-401-26-011

The purpose of this project is to install two new utility lines within a 42-inch-diameter steel casing, which would require an open-trench crossing through a portion of Steamboat Creek. The proposed project site is located off U.S. Route 395 near Towne Drive along Steamboat Creek in Washoe County, Nevada. The two new utility lines would consist of a 12-inch-diameter pipe for reclaimed water and an 18-inch-diameter pipe for sanitary sewer service. The total anticipated discharge includes approximately 5.26 cubic yards of permanent discharge associated with the pipeline installation and approximately 33.33 cubic yards of temporary discharge associated with open-trench construction activities and the temporary diversion measures (including a gravel-bag dam, pump trench, and gravel-bag dissipation system). Project construction is anticipated to begin on November 1, 2026, and would require approximately 10 days to complete, with all work expected to be finalized no later than December 1, 2026. The project proponent has requested certification for the use of Nationwide Permit 58 (Utility Line Activities for Water and Other Substances) under Clean Water Act Section 404 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 5/20/2026:

Bureau of Water Quality Planning
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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.