

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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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 Groundwater Discharge, permit number NS2023512 from the following applicant:

BURNING MAN PROJECT 660 ALABAMA STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA - 94110

## Permit NS2023512, THE 360:

This is a new permit. The Permittee, Burning Man Project, has applied for a new Groundwater Discharge Permit for The 360 wastewater treatment plant (WWTP), at 550 State Route 34, located in Gerlach, being within Washoe County, Nevada. The Permittee proposes to discharge treated wastewater via an evaporation pond. The site is made up of 360 acres adjacent to the dry lake bed, or playa, of the Black Rock Desert. The 360 project will be composed of a commercial building and future campsites. The first phase of the project will include the development of a small drinking water system to serve The 360 project, along with a domestic sewage treatment component (as operated under this permit), to treat the wastewater generated by the commercial building's restroom along with any wastewater generated by a proposed onsite campground with full hookups (water/sewer/electrical services) and reject water from the drinking water treatment system. The wastewater treatment system shall be composed of a DryVac 2-stage waste dewatering and drying system and a single layer, high density polyethylene (HDPE)-lined pond into which the treated wastewater will be discharged. The maximum daily flow rate shall be limited to 0.007 million gallons per day (Mgal/d).

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 NS2023512 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 07/15/2025, 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 request 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 comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) 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.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

A public hearing on the proposed determination can be requested by the applicant, any affected

State, any affected interstate agency, the Regional Administrator of EPA Region IX or any interested agency, person or group of persons. The request 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. Any public hearing determined by the Administrator to be held must be conducted in the geographical area of the proposed discharge or any

other area the Administrator determined to be appropriate. All public hearings must be conducted in accordance with NAC 445A.238.

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.