



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 New Manufacturing, Commercial, Mining and Silvicultural Discharge, permit number NV0024230 from the following applicant:

TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY
PO BOX 30013
RENO, NV - 89520

Permit NV0024230, MT. ROSE WATER TREATMENT PLANT:

The Permittee, Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA), has applied for the renewal of Permit NV0024230 for their Mt. Rose Water Treatment Plant (MRWTP), at 5264 Mountain Ranch Road, located in southwest Reno, within Washoe County, Nevada. The Permittee proposes to discharge backwash water, stormwater, and return flow to White's Creek at Steamboat Ditch.

The MRWTP is designed to supply 4 million gallons per day (Mgal/d) of treated, potable water to supplement TMWA's surface water supply along with recharging several local supply wells due to declining groundwater levels in the Mt. Rose supply area due to drought and residential development. The MRWTP operates when sufficient creek flow is available, leaving behind sufficient downstream flow to maintain prescribed wildlife and aquatic habitat supply. During low flow creek periods, there may be no water diversion from the creek per prior agreements with Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) and the State Engineer (Division of Water Resources).

Based on preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NV0024230 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations.

People 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 05/01/2026, 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 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.