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Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to Treatment Works Regulations

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), Bureau of Water Pollution Control (BWPC), is proposing regulation R153-26 to amend Chapter 445A of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) governing Treatment Works and Wastewater Operator Certification. A public workshop will be held to discuss the proposed amendments and receive comments from interested persons.

November 12, 2026
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. (PST)
Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Bryan Building, Bonnie Room, 1st Floor
901 S Stewart Street
Carson City, NV 89701

The proposed amendments are intended to add a new grade of wastewater treatment operator for small wastewater systems and include language to clean up and clarify existing regulatory language regarding plan review and wastewater operator examinations.

The proposed revisions include, without limitation: requiring approval of engineering plans and specifications before a person may construct, install, expand or significantly modify any treatment works; establishing certain requirements for the certification of an operator of a small wastewater system; revising requirements relating to the examinations required for the certification of an operator of a plant for sewage treatment; revising certain fees for the certification and examination of an operator of a plant for sewage treatment; revising provisions governing the minimum certification required for an operator of a plant for sewage treatment; establishing certain requirements for continuing education for the holder of a full or restricted certificate as an operator of a small wastewater system; providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed regulation changes should submit their comments or requests, in writing, hand-delivered, or postmarked no later than 1:00 P.M. on November 12, 2026, either in person or by mail to:

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The workshop will be held in the DCNR Bonnie Room (1st Floor), Bryan Building, 901 South Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, and will also be available virtually. The Bonnie Room has limited capacity; however, the Division will make every effort to accommodate those wishing to attend in person. Virtual participation is available using the information provided below.

Hearing Link: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/23774605093809?p=TJfj8bnudvhU8qxxK9>

Meeting ID: 253 139 574 480 844

Passcode: g4LB6e6B

Dial in by Phone: +1 775-321-6111

Phone conference ID: 944 247 515#

All comments or objections received within the fifteen-day period and during the public hearing will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) regarding the permit.

Notice of the workshop has been posted at the following locations: The Nevada State Library at 100 N Stewart Street, Carson Cit, NV; The Richard Bryan Building at 901 S Stewart Street, Carson City, NV; The NDEP Las Vegas office at 375 E Warm Springs Road, Las Vegas, NV. The notice and proposed regulations may be found at the following web link: <https://ndep.nv.gov/posts>. 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 April Holt, P.E., Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9435 or amholt@ndep.nv.gov.

AGENDA

Proposed Regulation R153-26 Bureau of Water Pollution Control

The purpose of the public workshop is to receive comments from interested parties regarding the information listed on this agenda. No action will be taken by the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at the public workshops on proposed permanent regulation R153-26. The workshops are informational and in preparation for action that will be taken by the State Environmental Commission at the next regulatory meeting. The following items may be taken out of order and/or items may be combined for consideration.

1. Call to order and introductions
2. Public comment
3. Presentation of proposed regulation R153-26, Amendments to Treatment Works Regulations

4. Public comment and questions. **

5. Adjournment

** Public comment may be limited to five minutes per person at the discretion of the chairperson. The chair reserves the right to dispense with repetitive comments on a given topic.