

STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

Jim Gibbons, Governor Allen Biaggi, Director

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Leo M. Drozdoff, P.E., Administrator

January 30, 2009

Notice of Proposed Action

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the Crescent Mill Site, a beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for the renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit NEV0096104 is:

John A. Yeager P.O. Box 61 Searchlight, Nevada 89046

This facility is located on private land in Clark County, Section 29, Township 28 South, Range 61 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 15 miles west of Searchlight, Nevada. The project consists of a mill utilizing physical separation methods to process gold ore. No liquid discharge outside of process components is allowed by this permit.

Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated and closed without any discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the renewal of the Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewal permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Water Pollution Control Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests postmarked or hand-delivered no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (Publication Date: January 31, 2009, End of Comment Period: March 2, 2009) to:

Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

Comments, objections, or requests received no later than 5:00 P.M., March 2, 2009 via facsimile or E-mail will also be considered in the final determination regarding this Water Pollution Control

Permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The draft Water Pollution Control Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Rob Kuczynski, P.E. at (775) 687-9441 or visit the Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation's website at http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm