

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

From:

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As required by NAC 445.42116 through NAC 445.42128, an environmental review has been performed on the proposed project listed below:

Project: Washoe County Department of Water Resources
Phased sewer connection in Spanish Springs

Location: Spanish Springs
Washoe County, Nevada

Latitude 39° 40' 30" W
Longitude 119° 42' 00" W

Project Numbers: CS32-0102

This project involves the extension of the community sanitary sewer north of La Posada Avenue to serve 168 houses. Presently these houses are on individual sewage disposal systems which have been shown to be contributing to elevated nitrate levels in the groundwater aquifer in the region. This project will provide an environmental benefit by reducing the loading marginally to the groundwater aquifer. Future phases of connection will also alleviate this loading.

Since this project will occur entirely within the boundaries of residentially developed property, (i.e., not on undisturbed land), the Division is issuing a preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for this project. Information supporting this decision is available for public review at the office of the Division listed above.

Comments supporting or disagreeing with this decision may be submitted to the Division at the address listed above for the attention of Joseph Maez, P.E. or by email at jmaez@ndep.nv.gov. After evaluating all comments received, the Division will make a final decision on whether to issue this Categorical Exclusion ruling. The deadline for comment to the Division on this project is set for **August 27, 2010**.