



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Public Notice

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN

The Nevada Administrative Code in Sections 445A.6758 to 445A.67612, inclusive, outlines the environmental review procedures to be followed by the Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. In accordance with these procedures, NDEP intends to issue a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for the McDermitt General Improvement District (GID) water project. The project will utilize funds from the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund.

Project Name: New Drinking Water Source of Supply

Project No.: 4 - Year 2014 Priority List

Applicant: McDermitt General Improvement District

Total Estimated Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Assistance: \$500,000

The community of McDermitt is located approximately 75 miles north of Winnemucca on the Nevada – Oregon border. Concentrations of arsenic in the two municipal wells have varied between 5 parts per billion (ppb) and 20 ppb commonly exceeding the maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 10 ppb.

Based on the results of the hydrogeologic investigation, the GID is proposing to drill and construct a new 8-inch municipal well within approximately 30 feet of their existing Well #1. This land parcel is owned by Humboldt County. The project will comply with all planning and zoning requirements of Humboldt County.

NDEP assessed the potential environmental effects of the proposed project and determined that the project is eligible for a FONSI because it is unlikely to have a negative effect on the quality of the environment and an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. The project will have a beneficial effect by ensuring the customers receive water that is safe to drink.

Compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act will occur before construction begins. Best management practices will be utilized during drilling and construction. Documentation to support these conclusions is available for public examination at the office of the Division of Environmental Protection, 901 S. Stewart St., Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada.

Comments for consideration on this proposed decision must be submitted by March 7, 2014 to: Michelle Stamates, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, 901 S. Stewart St., Suite 4001, Carson City, NV 89701-5405. Comments may also be submitted by FAX to (775) 687-9510 or by e-mail to mstamate@ndep.nv.gov. Questions regarding this notice may be directed to Michelle Stamates at (775) 687-9331.