

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 Groundwater Discharge, permit number NS2015505 from the following applicant:

TONOPAH SOLAR ENERGY, LLC
2425 OLYMPIC BOULEVARD, 500
EAST SANTA MONICA CA 90404

Permit NS2015505, CRESCENT DUNES SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT Tonopah Solar Energy, LLC operates the Crescent Dunes Solar Energy Project (CDSEP), a 1,750-acre, 110-megawatt solar thermal power plant located approximately 13.5 miles northwest of Tonopah in Nye County, Nevada. The permit authorizes the CDSEP to discharge up to 0.5 million gallons per day (MGD) of industrial process wastewater, including cooling tower and boiler blowdown water, reverse osmosis reject water, demineralized water, oil/water separator water, and floor drain water, to three double-lined evaporation ponds. The permit also authorizes the CDSEP to discharge up to 0.2 MGD of demineralized water for heliostat washing and up to 0.2 MGD of untreated water for dust control. On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NS2015505 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations. Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on 06/23/2015, 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

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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. 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 Alan Pineda, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9432 or at alan.pineda@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: <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>. Please bring the forgoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.