## ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE STATE

## **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

#### **LCB File No. R226-03**

Effective April 23, 2004

EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1-11, NRS 445A.425 and 445A.520.

A REGULATION relating to water quality; making various changes in provisions that establish standards for water quality; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Section 1.** Chapter 445A of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this regulation.

- Sec. 2. "HA" means hydrographic area.
- Sec. 3. "HR" means hydrographic region.
- Sec. 4. "M.D.B. & M." means Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.
- Sec. 5. "SU" means standard pH units.
- Sec. 6. "Trout water" means a reach of water that the Commission determines is suitable as a habitat for trout.
  - **Sec. 7.** NAC 445A.124 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 445A.124 1. Class A waters include waters or portions of waters located in areas of little human habitation, no industrial development or intensive agriculture and where the watershed is relatively undisturbed by man's activity.

- 2. The beneficial uses of class A waters are municipal or domestic supply, or both, with treatment by disinfection only, aquatic life, propagation of wildlife, irrigation, watering of livestock, recreation including contact with the water and recreation not involving contact with the water.
  - 3. The quality standards for class A waters are:

Item	Specifications
[(a)] Floating solids, sludge deposits, [tastes] or	None attributable to man's activities.
taste- or odor-producing substances.	
[(b)] Sewage, industrial wastes or other wastes.	None.
[(e)] Toxic materials, oils, deleterious substances,	None.
colored or other wastes.	
[(d)] Settleable solids.	Only amounts attributable to man's activities which will not
	make the waters unsafe or unsuitable as a drinking water
	source or which will not be detrimental to aquatic life or
	for any other beneficial use established for this class.
[ <del>(e)]</del> pH.	[Range between] 6.5 to [8.5.] 9.0 SU.
[(f)] Dissolved oxygen.	[Must not be less than 6.0 milligrams/liter.] $\geq$ 6.0 mg/l.
[(g)] Temperature [.]:	[Must not exceed]
Maximum.	≤ 20°C. [Allowable temperature increase above natural
<b>△T.</b>	receiving water temperature: None.] = $0  \text{°C}$ .

Item	Specifications
[(h)] Fecal coliform [.] (No./100ml).	[The fecal coliform concentration, based on a minimum of 5
	samples during any 30 day period, must not exceed a
	geometric mean of 200 per 100 milliliters nor may more
	than 10 percent of total samples during any 30 day period
	exceed 400 per 100 milliliters.] $\leq 200/400$ .
[(i)] Total [phosphate.] phosphorus (as P):	[Must not exceed 0.15]
In any stream at the point where it enters a	
reservoir or lake.	≤ 0.05 mg/l. [in any stream at the point where it enters any
In any reservoir or lake.	reservoir or lake, nor $0.075$ ] $\leq 0.025$ mg/l. [in any
In a stream or other flowing water.	reservoir or lake, nor $0.30$ ] $\leq 0.10$ mg/l. [in streams and
	other flowing waters.]
[(j)] Total dissolved solids.	[Must not exceed] ≤ 500 mg/l or one-third above that
	characteristic of natural conditions (whichever is less).

- a. The fecal coliform concentration, based on a minimum of five samples during any 30-day period, must not exceed a geometric mean of 200 per 100 milliliters, and not more than 10 percent of total samples during any 30-day period may exceed 400 per 100 milliliters.
  - 4. The waters classified as class A are:

**[TABLE A** 

**Class A Waters** 

HR-Hydrographic region

# HA-Hydrographic area]

		CARS	ON CITY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Ash Canyon	8	104	From its origin to the first point of diversion of the  Carson City Water Department [], near the west line
Clear Creek	8	104	of section 12, T. 15 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.  From its origin to gaging station number 10-3105,  located in the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 1 of section 1, T.
Kings Canyon	8	104	14 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.  From its origin to the point of the diversion of the Carson
			City Water Department [.], near the east line of section 23, T. 15 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.

	I	DOUGLA	S COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Daggett Creek	8	105	From its origin to the Carson River.
Genoa Creek	8	105	From its origin to the first diversion box at the mouth of the canyon [.], near the east line of section 9, T. 13
			N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.
Sierra Canyon Creek	8	105	From its origin to the first diversion structure at the mouth of the canyon [], near the east line of section 4, T. 13 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.

		ELKO (	COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Angel Lake	10	177	The entire lake.
Bear Creek	3	39	From its origin to the point of diversion for the Jarbidge
			municipal water supply [.], near the east line of
			section 17, T. 46 N., R. 58 E., M.D.B. & M.
Brown's Gulch	3	37	From its origin to the point of diversion for the Mountain
			City municipal water supply [], near the south line
			of section 24, T. 46 N., R. 53 E., M.D.B. & M.
Camp Creek	3	40	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Canyon Creek	3	40	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Cottonwood Creek	3	40	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Deep Creek	3	37	From its origin to the Wildhorse Reservoir.
Green Mountain Creek	4	47	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Hendricks Creek	3	37	From its origin to Wildhorse Reservoir.
Humboldt River (N. Fork) and	4	44	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
tributaries in Independence			
Mountain Range			
Humboldt River (S. Fork) and	4	46	From its origin to Lee.
tributaries			
Jack Creek	3	<del>[37]</del>	From its origin to [the north line of T. 41 N., R. 52 E.,
		36	M.D.B. & M.] its confluence with Harrington
			Creek.

		ELKO C	COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Lamoille Creek	4	45	From its origin to gaging station number 10-316500, located in the NE 1/4 [] of section 6, T. 32 N., R. 58 E., M.D.B. & M.
Little Humboldt River	4	67	From its origin to the Elko-Humboldt county line.
(S. Fork)			
Maggie Creek tributaries	4	51	From their origin to the point where they become Maggie  Creek or the point where they reach Maggie Creek.
Mary's River	4	42	From its origin to the point where the river crosses the east line of T. 42 N., R. 59 E., M.D.B. & M.
Owyhee River (E. Fork) above	3	37	From its origin to Wildhorse Reservoir.
Wildhorse			
Penrod Creek	3	37	From its origin, including tributaries, to Wildhorse  Reservoir.
Pole Canyon Creek	[3]	<del>[37]</del>	From its origin to where it [be comes] becomes the
	10	176	Franklin River.
Rock Creek	4	61, 62, 63	From its origin to Squaw Valley Ranch.
Secret Creek	4	43	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
[Starr Creek]	[4]	<del>[43]</del>	[From its origin to the national forest boundary.]
Tabor Creek	4	42	From its origin to the east line of T. 40 N., R. 60 E., M.D.B. & M.
Toyn Creek	4	47	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Willow Creek	4	63	From its origin to Willow Creek Reservoir.

EUREKA COUNTY				
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	
Denay Creek	4	53	From its origin to Tonkin Reservoir.	
Roberts Creek	10	139	From its origin to Roberts Creek Reservoir.	
Tonkin Reservoir	4	53	The entire reservoir.	

HUMBOLDT COUNTY				
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	
Bilk Creek	2	29	From its origin to its intersection with the south line of section 35, T. 45 N., R. 32 E., M.D.B. & M.	
Blue Lakes	1	2	Entire area.	
Bottle Creek	2	31	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the  east line of section 23, T. 40 N., R. 32 E., M.D.B. &  M.	
Dutch John Creek	4	68	The entire length.	
Leonard Creek	2	28	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the south line of section 12, T. 42 N., R. 28 E., M.D.B. & M.	
Little Humboldt River (N. Fork)	4	67	From its origin to the national forest boundary.	
[Little Humboldt River (S. Fork)]	[4]	<del>[67]</del>	[From its origin to Elko Humboldt county line.]	
Mahogany Creek	2	27	From its origin to Summit Lake.	

HUMBOLDT COUNTY			
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Martin Creek	4	68 <del>[, 69]</del>	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Pole Creek	4	70	From its origin to the point of diversion of the Golconda water supply [], near the north line of section 13, T.
			35 N., R. 39 E., M.D.B. & M.
Quinn River	2	<del>[28, 29,</del> 30,] 33	From its origin to the confluence of the east fork and south fork.
Water Canyon Creek	4	71	From its origin to the point of diversion of the  Winnemucca municipal water supply [], near the  west line of section 12, T. 35 N., R. 38 E., M.D.B. &  M.

		LANDEI	R COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Big Creek	4	56	From its origin to the east boundary of United States  Forest Service Big Creek Campground.
Birch Creek	10	137	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Kingston Creek	10	137	From its origin to Groves Reservoir.
Lewis Creek	4	59	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the center of section 23, T. 30 N., R. 45 E., M.D.B. & M.

		LANDER	COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Mill Creek	4	59	From its origin to the first point of diversion [.], near the south line of section 22, T. 29 N., R. 44 E., M.D.B. & M.
[Rock Creek]	[4]	<del>[61, 62,</del> 63]	[From its origin to Squaw Valley Ranch.]
Skull Creek	10	138	From its origin to the first point of diversion [.], near the east line of T. 21 N., R. 45 E., M.D.B. & M.
Steiner Creek	10	138	From its origin to the first point of diversion [.], near the north line of section 34, T. 21 N., R. 46 E., M.D.B. & M.

	]	MINERA	L COUNTY
Water	HR	HA	Description of Area Classified
Corey Creek	9	110C	From its origin to the point of diversion of the town of
			Hawthorne [.], near the west line of section 3, T. 7
			N., R. 29 E., M.D.B. & M.
Cottonwood Creek	9	110B	From its origin to the point of diversion of the Hawthorne
			Naval Ammunition Depot [.], near the north line of
			section 34, T. 9 N., R. 28 E., M.D.B. & M.

	-	MINERA	L COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Rose Creek	9	110B	From its origin to the point of diversion of the Hawthorne
			Naval Ammunition Depot [.], near the north line of
			section 4, T. 8 N., R. 29 E., M.D.B. & M.
Squaw Creek	9	110B	From its origin to the point of diversion of the Hawthorne
			Naval Ammunition Depot [.], near the north line of
			section 33, T. 9 N., R. 29 E., M.D.B. & M.

		NYE (	COUNTY
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water	HR	нА	Description of Area Classified
Barley Creek	10	140	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the national forest boundary.
Currant Creek	10	173	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Jett Creek	10	137	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Mosquito Creek	10	140	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Peavine Creek	10	137	From its origin to the first point of diversion [.], near the national forest boundary.
Pine Creek	10	140	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Reese Creek	4	56	From its origin to its confluence with Indian Creek.
San Juan Creek	4	56	From its origin to the national forest boundary.

		NYE C	COUNTY
Water	HR	HA	Description of Area Classified
Stoneberger Creek	10	140	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Twin River (N. Fork)	10	137	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the
			national forest boundary.
Twin River (S. Fork)	10	137	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the
			national forest boundary.

	P	ERSHING	G COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Star Creek	10	129	From its origin to the first point of diversion [.], near the west line of T. 31 N., R. 34 E., M.D.B. & M.

	,	WASHOI	E COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Boulder Reservoir	1	9	The entire reservoir.
Catnip Reservoir	1	6	The entire reservoir.
Franktown Creek	6	89	From its origin to the first irrigation diversion [], near the north line of section 9, T. 16 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.

		WASHO	E COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Galena Creek	6	88	From its origin to the east line of section 18, T. 17 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.
Hunter Creek	6	91	From its origin to Hunter Lake.
Hunter Lake	6	87	The entire lake.
[Nigger] Negro Creek	2	24	From its origin to the first irrigation diversion [], near the west line of section 28, T. 36 N., R. 23 E., M.D.B. & M.
Ophir Creek	6	89	From its origin to <i>State Route 429 (</i> old U.S. Highway 395 [-]).
Price's Lakes	6	89	The entire lake.
White's Creek	6	87	From its origin to the east line of section 33, T. 18 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.

	W	HITE PI	NE COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Baker Creek	11	195	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Berry Creek	10	179	From its origin to <i>the</i> pipeline intake [] <i>near the national forest boundary</i> .
Bird Creek	10	179	From its origin to <i>the</i> pipeline intake [] <i>near Bird Creek</i> Campground.
Cave Creek	10	179	Its entire length.

	W	HITE PI	NE COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Cleve Creek	10	184	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Current Creek	10	173	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Duck Creek	10	179	From its origin to <i>the</i> pipeline intake [] <i>near the center</i>
			of section 24, T. 18 N., R. 64 E., M.D.B. & M.
East Creek	10	179	From its origin to <i>the</i> pipeline intake [ near the national
			forest boundary.
Goshute Creek	10	179	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the
			center of section 12, T. 25 N., R. 63 E., M.D.B. & M.
Hendry's Creek	11	195	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Huntington Creek	4	47	From its origin to the White Pine-Elko county line.
Lehman Creek	11	195	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
North Creek	10	179	From its origin to <i>the</i> pipeline intake [] <i>near the north</i>
			line of section 20, T. 19 N., R. 65 E., M.D.B. & M.
Pine Creek	10	184	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the
			west line of section 17, T. 13 N., R. 68 E., M.D.B. &
			<i>M</i> .
Ridge Creek	10	184	From its origin to the first point of diversion [], near the
			west line of section 17, T. 13 N., R. 68 E., M.D.B. &
			<i>M</i> .
Silver Creek	11	195	From its origin to the national forest boundary.
Timber Creek	10	179	From its origin to <i>the</i> pipeline intake [] <i>near the west</i>
			line of section 27, T. 18 N., R. 65 E., M.D.B. & M.
White River	13	207	From its origin to the national forest boundary.

# **Sec. 8.** NAC 445A.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 445A.125 1. Class B waters include waters or portions of waters which are located in areas of light or moderate human habitation, little industrial development, light-to-moderate agricultural development and where the watershed is only moderately influenced by man's activity.
- 2. The beneficial uses of class B water are municipal or domestic supply, or both, with treatment by disinfection and filtration only, irrigation, watering of livestock, aquatic life and propagation of wildlife, recreation involving contact with the water, recreation not involving contact with the water, and industrial supply.
  - 3. The quality standards for class B waters are:

Item	Specifications
[(a)] Floating solids, settleable solids or sludge	Only such amounts attributable to man's activities which will
deposits.	not make the waters unsafe or unsuitable as a drinking
	water source [,] or injurious to fish or wildlife, or will not
	impair the waters for any other beneficial use established
	for this class.
[(b)] Sewage, industrial wastes or other wastes.	None which are not effectively treated to the satisfaction of
	the Department.

Item	Specifications
(c) Odor-producing substances.	Only such amounts which will not impair the palatability of
(te) Odor-producing substances.	
	drinking water or fish or have a deleterious effect upon
	fish, wildlife or any beneficial uses established for waters
	of this class.
[(d)] Toxic materials, oil, deleterious substances,	Only such amounts as will not render the receiving waters
colored or other wastes, or heated or cooled	injurious to fish or wildlife or impair the receiving waters
liquids.	for any beneficial uses established for this class.
[ <del>(e)]</del> pH.	[Range between] 6.5 to [8.5.] 9.0 SU.
[(f)] Dissolved oxygen [.]:	[For trout waters, not less than]
Trout waters. <sup>a</sup>	≥ 6.0 [milligrams/liter; for nontrout waters, not less than]
	mg/l.
All other waters.	≥ 5.0 [milligrams/liter.] mg/l.
[(g)] Temperature [.]:	[Must not exceed]
Maximum:	
Trout waters. <sup>a</sup>	≤20°C. [for trout waters or]
All other waters.	≤ 24°C. [for nontrout waters. Allowable temperature
$\Delta T$ .	increase above natural receiving water temperatures:
	None.] = 0 ℃.
[(h)] Fecal coliform [.] (No./100ml).	[The fecal coliform concentration, based on a minimum of 5
	samples during any 30-day period, must not exceed a
	geometric mean of 200 per 100 milliliters, nor may more
	than 10 percent of total samples during any 30 day period
	exceed 400 per 100 milliliters.] ≤ 200/400. <sup>b</sup>
[(i)] Total [phosphates.] phosphorus (as P).	[Must not exceed $0.3$ ] $\leq 0.10$ mg/l.

Item	Specifications
[(j)] Total dissolved solids.	[Must not exceed] $\leq 500 \text{ mg/l}$ or one-third above that
	characteristic of natural conditions (whichever is less).

- a. Trout waters are identified in subsection 4 by the symbol "(T)."
- b. The fecal coliform concentration, based on a minimum of five samples during any 30-day period, must not exceed a geometric mean of 200 per 100 milliliters, and not more than 10 percent of total samples during any 30-day period may exceed 400 per 100 milliliters.
  - 4. The waters classified as class B are:

**FTABLE B** 

Class B Waters

HR-Hydrographic region

HA-Hydrographic area]

		CARSO	ON CITY	
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	

		CARSO	ON CITY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Clear Creek (T)	8	104	From gaging station number 10-3105, located in the NE  1/4 of the NW 1/4 [,] of section 1, T. 14 N., R. 19 E.,  M.D.B. & M., to the Carson River.

			ELKO	COUNTY
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Bull Run Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	3	35	The entire reservoir.
Camp Creek	<b>(T)</b>	3	40	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with the south fork of Salmon Falls Creek.
Canyon Creek	<b>(T)</b>	3	40	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with the south fork of Salmon Falls Creek.
Cottonwood Creek	<b>(T)</b>	3	40	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with the south fork of Salmon Falls Creek.
Green Mountain Creek	<b>(T)</b>	4	47	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with Corral Creek.
Harrington Creek	<b>(T)</b>	3	36	From its confluence with Jack Creek to the south fork of the Owyhee River.
Humboldt River (N. Fork)	<b>(T)</b>	4	44	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with  [the Humboldt River.] Beaver Creek.
Humboldt River (N. Fork)		4	44	From its confluence with Beaver Creek to its confluence with the Humboldt River.

	ELKO COUNTY						
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified			
Humboldt River (S. Fork)	<b>(T)</b>	4	46, 48,	From Lee to its confluence with the Humboldt River.			
Huntington Creek	<b>(T)</b>	4	47	From White Pine county line to <i>its</i> confluence with  [South Fork Humboldt River.] Smith Creek.			
Huntington Creek		4	47	From its confluence with Smith Creek to its confluence with the South Fork of the Humboldt River.			
<del>[Jack Creek]</del>		[3]	[36]	[From the north line of T. 41 N., R. 52 E., M.D.B. & M. to South Fork Owyhee River.]			
Lamoille Creek		4	45	From gaging station number 10-316500, located in the NE 1/4 [,] of section 6, T. 32 N., R. 58 E., M.D.B. & M., to its confluence with the Humboldt River.			
Maggie Creek	<b>(T)</b>	4	51	From where it is formed by tributaries to its confluence with Jack Creek.			
Mary's River	<b>(T)</b>	4	42	From the east line of T. 42 N., R. 59 E., M.D.B. & M. to its confluence with the Humboldt River.			
Ruby Marsh	<b>(T)</b>	10	176	The entire area.			
Salmon Falls Creek (N. Fork)	<b>(T)</b>	3	40	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with the south fork of Salmon Falls Creek.			
Salmon Falls Creek (S. Fork)	<b>(T)</b>	3	40	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with the north fork of Salmon Falls Creek.			
76 Creek	<b>(T)</b>	3	38	Its entire length.			
Secret Creek	<b>(T)</b>	4	43	From the national forest boundary to the Humboldt River.			

			ELKO	COUNTY
Water		HR	HA	Description of Area Classified
Starr Creek	<b>(T)</b>	4	43	From the [national forest boundary] confluence of Ackler
				and Herder Creeks to the Humboldt River.
Wildhorse Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	3	37	The entire reservoir.
Willow Creek Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	4	63	The entire reservoir.
Wilson Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	3	35	The entire reservoir.

		EUREK <i>A</i>	COUNTY	
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Water	HR	HA	Description of Area Classified	
Denay Creek	4	53	Below Tonkin Reservoir.	
Fish Springs Pond (T)	10	155	The entire pond.	
Roberts Creek	10	139	Below Roberts Creek Reservoir.	

		H	UMBOLI	OT COUNTY
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Bilk Creek	<b>(T)</b>	2	29	From its intersection with the south line of section 35, T. 45 N., R. 32 E., M.D.B. & M. to Bilk Creek Reservoir.
Bilk Creek Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	2	29	The entire reservoir.
Knott Creek Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	1	3	The entire reservoir.

HUMBOLDT COUNTY						
Water		HR	HA	Description of Area Classified		
Little Humboldt River		4	67	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with		
(N. Fork)				the south fork of the Little Humboldt River.		
Little Humboldt River		4	67	From the Elko-Humboldt county line to its confluence		
(S. Fork)				with the north fork of the Little Humboldt River.		
Martin Creek	<b>(T)</b>	4	68, 69	From the national forest boundary downstream to the first		
				diversion in T. 42 N., R. 40 E., M.D.B. & M.		
Onion Valley Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	1	2	The entire reservoir.		
Quinn River	<b>(T)</b>	2	<del>[28, 29,</del>	From the point of confluence of the east fork and south		
			<del>30,]</del> 33	fork to the Ft. McDermitt Indian Reservation		
				diversion dam.		
Summit Lake	<b>(T)</b>	2	27	The entire lake.		

	LANDER COUNTY				
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	
Big Creek	<i>(T)</i>	4	56	From the east boundary of the United States Forest  Service Big Creek Campground to the first diversion  dam [.], near the west line of section 4, T. 17 N., R.  43 E., M.D.B. & M.	
Birch Creek	(T)	10	137	From the national forest boundary to the first diversion dam [.], near the west line of section 1, T. 17 N., R.  44 E., M.D.B. & M.	
Groves Lake	<b>(T)</b>	10	137	The entire lake.	

LANDER COUNTY						
Water		HR	HA	Description of Area Classified		
Iowa Canyon Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	4	55	The entire reservoir.		
Kingston Creek	<b>(T)</b>	10	137	Below Groves Lake.		
Reese River	<b>(T)</b>	4	56	From its confluence with Indian Creek to State Route 722		
			[, 58, 59]	( old U.S. Highway 50 [.]).		
Willow Creek Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	10	131	The entire reservoir.		

		J	LINCOLN	N COUNTY
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Clover Creek	<b>(T)</b>	13	204	From its origin to the point where it crosses the east range line of T. 4 S., R. 67 E., M.D.B. & M.
Eagle Valley Creek	(T)	13	200, 201	From its headwaters to Eagle Valley Reservoir.
Eagle Valley Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	13	201	The entire reservoir.

		NYE C	OUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Adams McGill Reservoir	13	207	The entire reservoir.
Currant Creek	10	173	From the national forest boundary to Currant.
Dacey Reservoir	13	207	The entire reservoir.

			NYE C	COUNTY
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Hay Meadow Reservoir	(T)	13	207	The entire reservoir.
Reese River	<i>(T)</i>	4	56	From its confluence with Indian Creek to <i>State Route 722</i> (old U.S. Highway 50 []).
Sunnyside Creek		13	207	From its origin to the Adams McGill Reservoir.

			WASHO	E COUNTY
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Davis Lake	<b>(T)</b>	6	89	The entire lake.
Franktown Creek	(T)	[4] 6	89	From the first irrigation diversion, near the north line of section 9, T. 16 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M., to Washoe Lake.
Galena Creek	(T)	6	88	From the east line of section 18, T. 17 N., R. 19 E.,  M.D.B. & M., to gaging station number 10-348900, located in the SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 [.] of section 2, T. 17  N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M.
Hobart Reservoir and tributaries	<b>(T)</b>	6	89	The entire system.
Hunter Creek	(T)	6	[91] 87	From Hunter Lake to its confluence with the Truckee River.
Ophir Creek	(T)	6	89	From <i>State Route 429 (</i> old U.S. Highway 395 ) to Washoe Lake.

		,	WASHO.	E COUNTY
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Squaw Creek Reservoir	(T)	2	21	The entire reservoir.
Wall Canyon Reservoir White's Creek	(T) (T)	6	16 87	The entire reservoir.  Below the east line of section 33, T. 18 N., R. 19 E.,
	(1)	J		M.D.B. & M [.] to Steamboat Ditch.
White's Creek		6	87	Below Steamboat Ditch.

WHITE PINE COUNTY						
Water		HR	НА	Description of Area Classified		
Cave Lake	<b>(T)</b>	10	179	The entire lake.		
Illipah Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	10	174	The entire reservoir.		
Silver Creek Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	11	195	The entire reservoir.		
White River	<b>(T)</b>	13	207	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with		
				Ellison Creek.		

**Sec. 9.** NAC 445A.126 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.126 1. Class C waters include waters or portions of waters which are located in areas of moderate-to-urban human habitation, where industrial development is present in moderate amounts, agricultural practices are intensive and where the watershed is considerably altered by man's activity.

- 2. The beneficial uses of class C water are municipal or domestic supply, or both, following complete treatment, irrigation, watering of livestock, aquatic life, propagation of wildlife, recreation involving contact with the water, recreation not involving contact with the water, and industrial supply.
  - 3. The quality standards for class C waters are:

Item	Specifications
[(a)] Floating solids, solids that will settle or sludge	Only those amounts attributable to the activities of man which
deposits.	will not make the receiving waters injurious to fish or
	wildlife or impair the waters for any beneficial use
	established for this class.
[(b)] Sewage, industrial wastes or other wastes.	None which are not effectively treated to the satisfaction of
	the Department.
[(e)] Toxic materials, oils, deleterious substances,	Only such amounts as will not render the receiving waters
colored or other wastes or heated or cooled	injurious to fish and wildlife or impair the waters for any
liquids.	beneficial use established for this class.
<del>[(d)]</del> pH.	[Range between] 6.5 to [8.5.] 9.0 SU.
[(e)] Dissolved oxygen [.]:	[For waters with trout, not less than]
Trout waters. <sup>a</sup>	≥ 6.0 mg/l. [; for waters without trout, not less than]
All other waters.	$\geq$ 5.0 mg/l.

Specifications
[Must not exceed]
≤20°C. [for waters with trout or]
≤34°C. [for waters without trout. Allowable temperature
increase above normal receiving water temperature:]
= 3°C.
The more stringent of the following apply:
$\leq 1000/2400.^{b}$
$\leq 200/400.^{c}$
$\leq 200/400.^d$

- [(1) The fecal coliform concentration must not exceed a geometric mean of 1000 per 100 milliliters nor may more than 20 percent of total samples exceed 2400 per 100 milliliters.
- (2) The annual geometric mean of fecal coliform concentration must not exceed that characteristic of natural conditions by more than 200 per 100 milliliters nor may the number of fecal coliform in a single sample exceed that characteristic of natural conditions by more than 400 per 100 milliliters.
- (3) The fecal coliform concentration, based on a minimum of 5 samples during any 30 day period, must not exceed a geometric mean of 200 per 100 milliliters, nor may more than 10 percent of total samples during any 30 day period exceed 400 per 100 milliliters. This is applicable only to those waters used for primary contact recreation.]

[(h)] Total [phosphates.] phosphorus (as P).	[Must not exceed 1.0] $\leq 0.33$ mg/l.
[(i)] Total dissolved solids.	[Must not exceed] $\leq 500 \text{ mg/l}$ or one-third above that
	characteristic of natural conditions (whichever is less).

a. Trout waters are identified in subsection 4 by the symbol "(T)."

- b. The fecal coliform concentration must not exceed a geometric mean of 1000 per 100 milliliters, and not more than 20 percent of total samples may exceed 2400 per 100 milliliters.
- c. The annual geometric mean of fecal coliform concentration must not exceed that characteristic of natural conditions by more than 200 per 100 milliliters, and the number of fecal coliform in a single sample must not exceed that characteristic of natural conditions by more than 400 per 100 milliliters.
- d. The fecal coliform concentration, based on a minimum of five samples during any 30-day period, must not exceed a geometric mean of 200 per 100 milliliters, and not more than 10 percent of total samples during any 30-day period may exceed 400 per 100 milliliters. This is applicable only to those waters used primarily for recreation involving contact with the water.
  - 4. The waters classified as class C waters are:

**FTABLE C** 

Class C Waters

HR-Hydrographic region

HA-Hydrographic areal

CHURCHILL COUNTY					
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified		
Diagonal Drain	8	101	Its entire length.		
Harmon Reservoir	8	101	The entire reservoir.		

CHURCHILL COUNTY						
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified			
Indian Lakes	8	101	All the lakes, including Upper Lake, Likes Lake, Papoose  Lake, Big Indian Lake, Little Cottonwood Lake, Big  Cottonwood Lake and East Lake.			
Lower Carson River	8	101	From Lahontan Reservoir to Carson Sink (the natural channel).			
Rattlesnake Reservoir , also known as S-Line Reservoir	8	101	[Also known as S Line Reservoir, the] <i>The</i> entire reservoir.			
South Carson Lake, also known as  Government Pasture and the  Greenhead Gun Club	8	101	[Also known as Government Pasture or the Greenhead  Gun Club, the] The entire lake.			
Stillwater Marsh	8	101	All that area of Stillwater Marsh east of Westside Road and north of the community of Stillwater.			
V-Line Canal	8	101	From the Carson diversion dam to its division into the S & L Canals.			

CLARK COUNTY					
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified		
Bowman Reservoir	13	220	The entire reservoir.		
[Muddy (Moapa) River]	<del>[13]</del>	<del>[219]</del>	[From its origin (but not including source springs) to its confluence with Lake Mead.]		

		ELKO (	COUNTY
	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
<i>(T)</i>	4	51	From its confluence with Jack Creek to [the Humboldt  River.] its confluence with Soap Creek.
	4	51	From its confluence with Soap Creek to the Humboldt River.
	4		Below Squaw Valley Ranch.
	(T)	(T) 4	(T) 4 51

ESMERALDA COUNTY					
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified		
Fish Lake	10	117	The entire lake.		

		EUREKA	COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
J.D. Ponds	4	53	The entire area.
Maggie Creek (T)	4	51	From its confluence with Jack Creek to its confluence with Soap Creek.
Maggie Creek	4	51	From its confluence with Soap Creek to the Humboldt River.

	-	EUREKA	COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Rock Creek	4	61, 62, 63	Below Squaw Valley Ranch.

HUMBOLDT COUNTY				
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	
Little Humboldt River	4	67 <b>, 69</b>	Its entire length.	

LANDER COUNTY				
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	
Reese River	4	56, 58,	North of <i>State Route 722</i> (old U.S. Highway 50 []).	
Rock Creek	4	61, 62,	Below Squaw Valley Ranch.	
		63		

LINCOLN COUNTY				
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	
Echo Canyon Reservoir (7)	13	199	The entire reservoir.	

		LINCOL	N COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Nesbitt Lake	13	209	The entire lake.
Pahranagat Reservoir	13	209	The entire reservoir.
Schroeder Reservoir (T)	13	222	The entire reservoir.
		LYON	COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Mason Wildlife Area (T)	9	[109] 108	[All surface water impoundments.] Hinkson Slough,  Bass Pond, Crappie Pond and North Pond.
Mason Wildlife Area	9	108	All surface water impoundments except Hinkson  Slough, Bass Pond, Crappie Pond and North Pond.
		MINERA	L COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
	9	110	Entire reservoir.

PERSHING COUNTY

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Description of Area Classified

Water

PERSHING COUNTY				
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	
Humboldt River	4	73	From Woolsey to Rodgers Dam.	

STOREY COUNTY			
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Tracy Pond	6	83	The entire area.

WASHOE COUNTY				
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Water	HR	HA	Description of Area Classified	
Galena Creek (T)	6	88	From gaging station number 10-348900, located in the SW 1/4 [,] of the SW 1/4 [,] of section 2, T. 17 N., R. 19 E., M.D.B. & M., to its confluence with Steamboat Creek.	
Steamboat Creek	6	87, 88, 89	From Little Washoe Lake to gaging station number 10-349300, located in the S 1/2 [,] of section 33, T. 18  N., R. 20 E., M.D.B. & M.	
Washoe Lakes	6	89	The entire lakes.	

WHITE PINE COUNTY				
Water		HR	HA	Description of Area Classified
Comins Reservoir	<b>(T)</b>	10	179	The entire reservoir.
Gleason Creek		10	179	From its origin to State Highway 485 (old State Highway
				44 <del>[.]</del> ).
Snake Creek	<b>(T)</b>	11	195	From control point above fish hatchery to the Nevada-
				Utah state line.
[Willow Reservoir]		<del>[10]</del>	<del>[179]</del>	[The entire reservoir.]

# **Sec. 10.** NAC 445A.127 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 445A.127 1. Class D waters include waters or portions of waters located in areas of urban development, highly industrialized or intensively used for agriculture or a combination of all the above and where effluent sources include a multiplicity of waste discharges from the highly altered watershed.
- 2. The beneficial uses of class D waters are recreation not involving contact with the water, aquatic life, propagation of wildlife, irrigation, watering of livestock, and industrial supply except for food processing purposes.
  - 3. The quality standards for class D waters are:

Item	Specifications
[(a)] Floating solids, settleable solids or sludge	Only such amounts attributable to the activities of man which
deposits.	will not impair the receiving waters for any beneficial use
	established for this class.
[(b)] Sewage, industrial wastes or other wastes.	None which are not effectively treated to the satisfaction of
	the Department.
[(c)] Toxic materials, oils, deleterious substances,	Only such amounts as will not impair the receiving waters for
colored or other wastes or heated or cooled	any beneficial use established for this class.
liquid.	
[ <del>(d)]</del> pH.	[Range between] 6.0 [and] to 9.0 [.] SU.
[(e)] Dissolved oxygen.	[Not less than] $\geq 3.0  mg/l$ .

4. The waters classified as class D waters are:

<del>[TABLE D</del>

Class D Waters

HR-Hydrographic region

**HA-Hydrographic area**]

CHURCHILL COUNTY				
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified	
Stillwater Marsh	8	101	All that area of Stillwater Marsh not designated as class C.	

	Н	UMBOLE	OT COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Quinn River	2	33	From the Idaho-Nevada state line in section 31, T. 48 N., R. 38 E., <i>M.D.B. &amp; M.</i> to the confluence with the main tributary of the Quinn River at the south section line of section 17, T. 47 N., R. 38 E., <i>M.D.B. &amp; M.</i>

PERSHING COUNTY			
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Humboldt River	4	73	Rodgers Dam to, and including, Humboldt Sink.

Water	HR	HA	Description of Area Classified
		0.2	
Lagomarsino Creek , also known as	6	83	The entire length.
Long Valley Creek			

	,	WASHOE	E COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Steamboat Creek	6	87	From gaging station number 10-349300, located in <i>the</i> S 1/2 [.] of section 33, T. 18 N., R. 20 E., M.D.B. & M., to its confluence with the Truckee River.

	W	HITE PII	NE COUNTY
Water	HR	НА	Description of Area Classified
Gleason Creek	10	179	From <i>State Highway 485 (old</i> State Highway 44 ) to its confluence with Murray Creek.
Murray Creek	10	179	From its confluence with Gleason Creek to the south line of section 35, T. 17 N., R. 63 E., M.D.B. & M.

**Sec. 11.** NAC 445A.128 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.128 As used in NAC [445A.143] 445A.118 to 445A.225, inclusive, and sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this regulation, unless the context otherwise requires, the terms and symbols defined in NAC 445A.129 to 445A.142, inclusive, and sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this regulation have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

# NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PROPOSED REGULATION LCB File No. R226-03

The State Environmental Commission adopted regulations assigned LCB File No. R226-03 which pertain to chapter 445A of the Nevada Administrative Code on February 26, 2004.

Notice date: 1/23/2004 Date of adoption by agency: 2/26/2004

**Hearing date:** 2/26/2004 **Filing date:** 4/23/2004

#### INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT

The following statement is submitted for adopted amendments to Nevada Administrative NAC 445A.124 to 445A.127, Class Waters, Beneficial Uses and Quality Standards. This regulation addresses proposed changes to the water quality standards for Class Waters. Under section 303 of the Clean Water Act and 40 CFR 131, States have responsibility for setting, reviewing and revising water quality standards. This regulation changes existing formats for listing water quality standards in the NAC's. These changes will make the tables contained in the NAC's easer to read and understand

The regulations also revises the existing pH criteria, and total phosphorus criteria for various Class Waters throughout the state. Other revisions include corrections for names and locations of certain water bodies including clarification of the extent of the "reaches" as well as revisions based on the need to clarify the appropriate trout or non trout standards for various water bodies.

1. A description of how <u>public comment</u> was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

To obtain public comments on the above referenced regulation, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protections (NDEP) held **workshops** in Elko, Carson City, and Overton Nevada. A "Fact Sheet" was developed explaining proposed regulatory changes along with a 72 page guidance document titled "*Rationale for Proposed Revisions to the Nevada Water Pollution Control Regulations NAC 445A.124 - NAC 445A.127 Class Waters.*" To support the public workshop process, the proposed regulation was noticed by the NDEP in the Las Vegas Review Journal (LVRJ) the Elko Daily Free Press (EDFP) and Reno Gazette Journal (RGJ) newspapers. The public was subsequently mailed a public notice for the workshops using the NDEP mailing list. Workshop notices, the Fact Sheet and the Guidance Document were made available on NDEP's website throughout the public involvement process.

To support the regulatory hearing, the proposed regulation was noticed by the State Environmental Commission (SEC) in the Las Vegas Review Journal (LVRJ) and Reno Gazette Journal (RGJ) newspapers on the following dates – January 28, February 4, and February 11, 2004. The public was subsequently mailed a public notice and meeting agenda for the SEC hearing; the SEC mailing list was used for both mailings. The proposed regulation was also posted on the SEC web site at the following address: http://www.sec.nv.gov/main/hearing0204.htm

At the SEC hearing a specific time period for public comment was announced, however no comments were offered. To explain the regulations NDEP staff made a formal presentation at the SEC meeting held in Reno on February 26, 2004.

- 2. The number persons who:
  - (a) Attended February 26, 2004 hearing;
     (b) Testified on this Petition at the hearing:
  - (c) Submitted to the agency written comments: 3
- 3. A description of how comment was solicited from affected <u>businesses</u>, a summary of their response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

See # 1 outlined above

4. If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change.

Some minor changes to the above referenced regulation did occur and were approved by the SEC at the February 26, 2004 public hearing. Changes were presented as an addendum to the proposed regulations (in from of an Exhibit). The changes reflected technical corrections recommended by the Legislative Counsel Bureau only.

5. The estimated economic effect of the adopted regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public.

The proposed regulation will not have an economic impact, either immediate or long term, on the regulated industry.

6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the adopted regulation.

There will not be additional costs to the State Environmental Commission for enforcement of this regulation.

7. A description of any regulations of other state or government agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency.

The regulation does not overlap or duplicate any regulations of other state or government agencies.

8. If the regulation includes provisions whi	ich are more stringent than a federal regulation
which regulates the same activity, a summa	ary of such provisions.

Not applicable

9. If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.

Not applicable