

**FORM FOR PETITIONING THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
FOR ADOPTION, FILING AMENDMENTS OR REPEAL OF COMMISSION
REGULATIONS
Form #1**

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2. Government Agency – Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP)
3. The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is proposing to return the original Dissolved Oxygen standard of 7 mg/l to Gray Creek (NAC 445A.1702) and update the chloride numeric standard for Smoke, Bronco (NAC 445A.1286 and 1698) and Gray Creeks to the current recommended EPA aquatic life criteria of 230/860 mg/l chronic and acute. Smoke, Bronco and Gray Creeks beneficial uses and standards were reviewed in 2010 (petition R127-10). The Nevada State Environmental Commission approved these changes on October 5, 2010. The changes were then sent to the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 9 (EPA) for approval. All of the proposed beneficial uses were approved. The standards revisions proposed by NDEP were all approved except the Dissolved Oxygen standard for Gray Creek and the Chloride standard for Smoke, Bronco and Gray Creeks.
4. Federal regulations (40CFR 131.20) require states to periodically review their water quality standards.
5. (a) The proposed revisions do not regulate business; therefore, they are not expected to have any direct economic effect on the regulated community both immediately and long term.

(b) The proposed revisions are not expected to have any economic effect on the public both immediately and long-term.

(c) Implementation of the proposed regulations is not expected to result in additional cost by the agency for enforcement.
6. There are no other state or government agency regulations which the proposed revisions duplicate.
7. The federal government has delegated the responsibility of establishing water quality standards to the state; therefore, there is no federal regulation for proposed water quality standards revisions. Revisions of the standards will be submitted to the EPA Regional Administration for review and approval.
8. The regulation does not provide for fees.

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