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R112-22: This permanent regulation revises NAC 445A. The State Environmental Commission adopted permanent regulation R112-22P, which addresses fees for Water Pollution Control permitting program. This regulation establishes fees for general permits, revises existing fees for certain other permits, and authorizes the director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to post information about fees to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection website.

Authority citation other than 233B:

§§ 1 and 3, NRS 445A.425, 445A.430, 445A.465 and 445A.480; §§ 2 and 5, NRS 445A.425 and 445A.430; § 4, NRS 445A.425, 445A.430 and 445A.465.

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APPROVED REGULATION OF THE

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

LCB File No. R112-22

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

AUTHORITY: §§ 1 and 3, NRS 445A.425, 445A.430, 445A.465 and 445A.480; §§ 2 and 5, NRS 445A.425 and 445A.430; § 4, NRS 445A.425, 445A.430 and 445A.465.

A REGULATION relating to water pollution; establishing fees related to general permits; revising existing fees for certain permits; providing for annual increases of certain fees; authorizing the Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to suspend such fee increases; requiring the Director to post to the Internet website of the Division of Environmental Protection of the Department certain information related to such fees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides that, except as authorized by a permit issued by the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, it is unlawful for any person to: (1) discharge from any point source any pollutant into any waters of the State or any treatment works; (2) inject fluids through a well into any waters of the State; or (3) discharge from a point source a pollutant or inject fluids through a well that could be carried into the waters of the State by any means. (NRS 445A.465) Existing law further authorizes the State Environmental Commission to prescribe reasonable fees for: (1) applications for permits; (2) administering the program for reviewing applications and granting permits; and (3) the review of plans and specifications by the Director of the Department and for services provided by the Division of Environmental Protection of the Department. (NRS 445A.430)

Existing regulations establish various fees related to: (1) certain types of discharge permits; (2) permits for injection wells; and (3) permits for on-site sewage disposal systems. (NAC 445A.232, 445A.872, 445A.963) **Sections 2, 4 and 5** of this regulation: (1) increase certain fees; (2) provide for automatic fee increases in future fiscal years; (3) authorize the Director to suspend any automatic increase; and (4) require the Director to post on the Internet website of the Division the fees that are applicable to each fiscal year.

Section 1 of this regulation: (1) sets forth fees related to certain types of general permits; (2) provides for automatic fee increases in future fiscal years; (3) authorizes the Director to

suspend any automatic increase; and (4) requires the Director to post on the Internet website of the Division the fees that are applicable to each fiscal year.

Existing regulations set forth application requirements for general permits. (NAC 445A.268) Section 3 of this regulation requires that such an application must be accompanied by the applicable nonrefundable application fee.

Section 1. Chapter 445A of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A nonrefundable application fee must accompany each original application for a general permit which is submitted to or required by the Director. The Director shall charge the following fees:

		Fee for
		Annual
		Review
	Application	and
Type of General Permit Issued	Fee	Services
Construction storm water general permits		
Less than 10 acres	\$300	\$200
10 acres or more but less than 50 acres	400	200
50 acres or more but less than 100 acres	750	400
100 acres or more but less than 500 acres	1,000	400
500 acres or more	1,250	400

	Fee fo	r
	Annua	al
	Review	W
	Application and	
Type of General Permit Issued	Fee Service	es
Industrial multi-sector general permit	\$1,500 \$1,00	00
Mining storm water general permit	\$1,500 \$1,00	00
Other general permits	\$300 \$30	00

- 2. The Director shall charge the following fees:
- (a) For reinspecting a site that has submitted a notice of termination, \$200 per reinspection.
 - (b) For inspecting a site that is seeking a no exposure certificate, \$250.
 - 3. If required, the fee for the annual review and services set forth in subsection 1 must be:
 - (a) Submitted to the Division on or before July 1 of each year; and
- (b) Paid in advance for the period of review that relates to the fiscal year following payment.

- 4. For the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2026, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the Director shall increase each application fee set forth in subsection 1, each fee for annual review and services set forth in subsection 1 and each fee set forth in subsection 2 by 3 percent of the fee amount for the immediately preceding fiscal year. In establishing any fee pursuant to this subsection, the Director shall round to the nearest dollar.
 - 5. The Director may, during any fiscal year, suspend an increase in a fee.
- 6. The Director shall post on the Internet website of the Division the fees required pursuant to this section that are applicable to each fiscal year.
 - Sec. 2. NAC 445A.232 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 445A.232 1. Except as otherwise provided in [subsections] subsection 2, [and 7,] a nonrefundable application fee must accompany each original application for a permit, each application for a modification to a permit, other than a minor modification made pursuant to NAC 445A.263, and each application to renew a permit which is submitted to or required by the Director. The Director shall charge the following fees:

Annual

Type of Permit

Application

Review and

Issued

Fee

Services

DISCHARGE OF DOMESTIC

		Fee for
		Annual
Type of Permit	Application	Review and
Issued	Fee	Services
WASTEWATER		
Less than 50,000 gallons daily	\$1,000	[\$1,000] \$1,406
50,000 gallons or more but less than		
250,000 gallons daily	1,500	[1,500] 2,109
250,000 gallons or more but less than		
500,000 gallons daily	2,000	[2,000] 2,812
500,000 gallons or more but less than		
1,000,000 gallons daily	3,000	[3,000] 4,219
1,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
2,000,000 gallons daily	4,000	[4,000] 5,626

		Annual
Type of Permit	Application	Review and
Issued	Fee	Services
2,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
5,000,000 gallons daily	6,000	[6,000] 8,438
5,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
10,000,000 gallons daily	10,000	[10,000] 14,066
10,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
20,000,000 gallons daily	10,000	[20,000] 28,132
20,000,000 gallons or more but less than		240
40,000,000 gallons daily	10,000	[30,000] 42,198
40,000,000 gallons or more daily	10,000	[40,000] 56,263

DISCHARGE OF RECLAIMED WATER
OTHER THAN THROUGH A SPREADING BASIN

	Annual
Application	Review and
Fee	Services
\$750	[\$750] \$1,055
1,000	[1,000] 1,406
1,250	[1,250] 1,758
1,500	[1,500] 2,109
2,000	[2,000] 2,812
	Fee \$7501,0001,2501,500

10,000,000 gallons or more but less than

		Fee for
		Annual
Type of Permit	Application	Review and
Issued	Fee	Services
20,000,000 gallons daily	2,500	[2,500] 3,516
20,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
40,000,000 gallons daily	3,000	[3,000] 4,219
40,000,000 gallons or more daily	3,500	[3,500] 4,923
DISCHARGE OF RECLAIMED WATER		
THROUGH A SPREADING BASIN		
Less than 10,000,000 gallons daily	\$10,000	[\$10,000] <i>\$14,066</i>
10,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
20,000,000 gallons daily	10,000	[20,000] 28,132
20,000,000 gallons or more but less than		

Annual

Type of Permit Application Review and Issued Fee Services

DISCHARGE FROM REMEDIATION,

DEWATERING, OTHER THAN A DISCHARGE

TO GROUNDWATER FROM THE

DEWATERING OF A MINE, OR FROM A

POWER PLANT, A MANUFACTURING OR

FOOD PROCESSING FACILITY OR ANY

OTHER COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL

FACILITY

Cooling water only.....\$2,000 **[\$2,000] \$2,812**

Less than 50,000 gallons of process

		Fee for
		Annual
Type of Permit	Application	Review and
Issued	Fee	Services
water daily	2,500	[2,500] 3,516
50,000 gallons or more but less than		
250,000 gallons of process water daily	3,000	[3,000] 4,219
250,000 gallons or more but less than		
500,000 gallons of process water daily	4,000	[4,000] 5,626
500,000 gallons or more but less than		
1,000,000 gallons of process water daily	5,000	[5,000] 7,032
1,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
2,000,000 gallons of process water daily	6,000	[6,000] 8,438
2,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
5,000,000 gallons of process water daily	8,000	[8,000] 11,252

Annual

Type of Permit Application Review and Issued Fee Services

DISCHARGE FROM A TREATMENT
PLANT FOR DRINKING WATER

Fee for Annual Application Review and Type of Permit Fee Services Issued Intermittent discharge of less than 100,000 gallons daily\$500 [\$500] *\$703* Intermittent discharge of 100,000 gallons or more but less than 1,000,000 gallons daily......750 [750] 1,055 Intermittent discharge of 1,000,000 gallons or more daily1,000 [1,000] **1,406** Routine discharge of less than 100,000 gallons daily......500 [500] 703

Routine discharge of 1,000,000 gallons or

Routine discharge of 100,000 gallons or more

		Fee for
		Annual
Type of Permit	Application	Review and
Issued	Fee	Services
more daily	1,000	[1,000] 1,406
DISCHARGE OF WASTEWATER		
FROM A CONCENTRATED ANIMAL		
FEEDING OPERATION		
Less than 100,000 gallons daily	\$1,500	[\$1,500] \$2,109
100,000 gallons or more but less than		
500,000 gallons daily	2,000	[2,000] 2,812
500,000 gallons or more daily	2,500	[2,500] 3,516
PERMIT FOR A CONCENTRATED		
ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION		

THAT DOES NOT DISCHARGE

Annual

Type of Permit Application Review and Issued Fee Services

WASTEWATER

Area of a holding facility that is less than 10 acres	\$1,500	[\$1,500] \$2,109
Area of a holding facility that is 10 acres or more		
but less than 20 acres	2,000	[2,000] 2,812
Area of a holding facility that is 20 acres		
or more	2,500	[2,500] 3,516

DISCHARGE FROM A FISH

HATCHERY

Less than 500,000 gallons daily......\$750 **[\$750] \$1,055**

500,000 gallons or more but less than

		Fee for
		Annual
Type of Permit	Application	Review and
Issued	Fee	Services
*		
2,500,000 gallons daily	1,000	[1,000] 1,406
2,500,000 gallons or more daily		
OTHER PERMITTED DISCHARGES		
Less than 50,000 gallons daily	\$1,000	[\$1,000] \$1,406
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50,000 gallons or more but less than		
250,000 gallons daily	1.500	[1,500] 2,109
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250,000 gallons or more but less than		
4	2 000	[3,000] 4,219
500,000 gallons daily	5,000	[3,000] 4,21 9
500,000 gallons or more but less than		
1,000,000 gallons daily	5,000	[5,000] 7,302

		Fee for
		Annual
Type of Permit	Application	Review and
Issued	Fee	Services
1,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
10,000,000 gallons daily	10,000	[10,000] 14,066
10,000,000 gallons or more but less than		
35,000,000 gallons daily	10,000	[20,000] 28,132
35,000,000 gallons or more daily	10,000	[30,000] 42,198
REUSE OF		
SEWAGE SLUDGE		
Less than 20,000 cubic yards per year	\$1,500	[\$1,500] \$2,109
20,000 cubic yards or more per year	3,000	[3,000] 4,219

				Fee for
				Annual
Type of Permit			Application	Review and
Issued			Fee	Services
REUSE OF			ŧ.	
DOMESTIC SEPT	Γ A GE	•••••	\$1,000	[\$1,000] \$1,406
DISCHARGE FRO	OM A			
RECREATIONAL	LAKE		\$5,000	[\$5,000] \$7,032
TEMPORARY PE	ERMIT		[\$250] \$350	Not Applicable

2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, [and subsection 7,] a nonrefundable application fee must accompany each original application for a permit and each application to renew a permit for the discharges set forth in this subsection that is submitted to or required by the Director. The Director shall charge the following fees:

	Application	Application	Fee for
	Fee for	Fee for	Annual
Type of Discharge	Original	Renewal	Review and
Permitted	Permit	of Permit	Services
DISCHARGE TO			
GROUNDWATER FROM THE			
DEWATERING OF A MINE			
Cooling water only	\$625	\$315	\$1,000
Less than 50,000 gallons of			
dewatering water daily	625	315	1,500
50,000 gallons or more but less			
than 1,000,000 gallons of			
dewatering water daily	875	440	2,000
1,000,000 gallons or more but less		2	
than 5,000,000 gallons			
of dewatering water daily	1,000	500	2,500

	Application	Application	Fee for
	Fee for	Fee for	Annual
Type of Discharge	Original	Renewal	Review and
Permitted	Permit	of Permit	Services
5,000,000 gallons or more of			
dewatering water daily	1,250	625	3,000
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MINING			
Physical separation facility			
discharging wash water where			
no chemicals are added for			
metallurgical recovery	\$500	\$500	\$250
Mining facility designed			
to chemically process			
less than 18,250 tons per			
year	500	500	250

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	Fee for	Fee for	Annual
Type of Discharge	Original	Renewal	Review and
Permitted	Permit	of Permit	Services
Mining facility designed			
to chemically process			
18,250 tons per year			
or more but less than			
36,500 tons per year	1,500	1,500	2,000
Mining facility designed			
to chemically process			
36,500 tons per year			
or more but less than			
100,000 tons per year	4,000	4,000	4,000
Mining facility designed			

Mining facility designe to chemically process
100,000 tons per year or more but less than

	Application	Application	Fee for
	Fee for	Fee for	Annual
Type of Discharge	Original	Renewal	Review and
Permitted	Permit	of Permit	Services
500,000 tons per year	6,000	6,000	8,000
Mining facility designed			
to chemically process			
500,000 tons per year			
or more but less than			
1,000,000 tons per year	10,000	10,000	10,000
Mining facility designed		â.	
to chemically process			
1,000,000 tons per year			
or more but less than		¥.	
2,000,000 tons per year	14,000	14,000	14,000
Mining facility designed			

to chemically process

	Application	Application	Fee for
	Fee for	Fee for	Annual
Type of Discharge	Original	Renewal	Review and
Permitted	Permit	of Permit	Services
2,000,000 tons per year or more	20,000	20,000	20,000
Monitoring of mining facility that			
has completed all physical closure			
activities and is undergoing source			
stabilization	2,500 or the	2,500 or the	5,000 or the
	application fee	application fee	annual fee
	for the type	for the type and	for the type
	and processing	processing rate	and
	rate of the	of the mining	processing
	mining facility	facility	rate of the
	permitted,	permitted,	mining
	whichever is	whichever is	facility
	less	less	permitted,
			whichever is
			less

	Application	Application	Fee for
	Fee for	Fee for	Annual
Type of Discharge	Original	Renewal	Review and
Permitted	Permit	of Permit	Services
Post-closure monitoring of mining			
facility	250	250	500
RUNOFF OF STORM WATER			
Industrial or commercial facility,			
including any structure,			
that is 5 acres to 10 acres,			
inclusive, in size	\$300	\$150	\$750
Industrial or commercial facility,			
including any structure,			
that is more than 10 acres but			
less than 25 acres in size	600	300	750

	Application	Application	Fee for
	Fee for	Fee for	Annual
Type of Discharge	Original	Renewal	Review and
Permitted	Permit	of Permit	Services
Industrial or commercial facility,			12
including any structure,			
that is more than 25 acres in size	1,000	500	750
Municipality whose population is			
250,000 or less	[600]	[300] 1,200	[750] 1,200
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Municipality whose population			
is more than 250,000	[1,000]	[500] 2,000	[1,000]
	2,000		2,000

- 3. A nonrefundable application fee of \$150 must accompany each application for a minor modification made pursuant to NAC 445A.263.
- 4. To determine the number of acres of a holding facility for an application fee or a fee for the annual review and services for a permit issued to a concentrated animal feeding operation that does not discharge wastewater, the Director shall multiply the number of animals in the concentrated animal feeding operation by .0023.

- [4.] 5. An application fee or a fee for the annual review and services charged pursuant to subsection 1 must be based upon the limit of flow, in gallons per day, of the discharge authorized in the permit.
- [5.] 6. The application fee for a permit with a term of less than 5 years must be reduced by the Director in accordance with the term of the permit, but in no case may the fee be reduced by an amount equal to more than one-third of the fee set forth in this section.
 - 16.1 7. If required, the fee for the annual review and services must be:
 - (a) Submitted to the Division on or before July 1 of each year; and
 - (b) Paid in advance for the period of review that relates to the fiscal year following payment.
- [7. If a storm water runoff permit is not required, the Director may refund the application fee for the permit.]
- 8. [On] For the fiscal year beginning on July 1, [2002,] 2024, and for the fiscal year beginning on July 1 [of each even-numbered year thereafter, up to and including July 1, 2010,], 2025, the Director shall increase [by 5 percent] each fee for the annual review and services set forth in subsection 1 [.To determine the amount of each fee that is due on or after July 1, 2002, the Director shall multiply the fee set forth in subsection 1 by:
- (a) For the fees due on July 1, 2002, and July 1, 2003, 1.05;
- (b) For the fees due on July 1, 2004, and July 1, 2005, 1.1025;
- (e) For the fees due on July 1, 2006, and July 1, 2007, 1.1576;
- (d) For the fees due on July 1, 2008, and July 1, 2009, 1.2155; and
- (e) For the fees due on or after July 1, 2010, 1.2763.

→ In establishing the annual fee for the review and services pursuant to this subsection, the

Director shall round to the nearest dollar.] by 10.33 percent of the fee for the immediately

preceding fiscal year. For the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2026, and for each fiscal year

thereafter, the Director shall increase each of the following fees by 3 percent of the fee for the

immediately preceding fiscal year:

- (a) Each application fee set forth in subsections 1 and 3;
- (b) Each fee for the annual review and services set forth in subsection 1;
- (c) Each application fee for an original permit that applies to a discharge of runoff of storm water set forth in subsection 2;
- (d) Each application fee for the renewal of a permit that applies to a discharge of runoff of storm water set forth in subsection 2;
- (e) Each fee for the annual review and services that applies to a discharge of runoff of storm water set forth in subsection 2; and
 - (f) Each fee for a minor modification set forth in subsection 3.
- → In establishing any fee pursuant to this subsection, the Director shall round to the nearest dollar.
 - 9. The Director may, during any fiscal year, suspend an increase in a fee.
- 10. The Director shall post on the Internet website of the Division the fees required pursuant to this section that are applicable to each fiscal year.
- 11. The Director may allow a holder of a permit to pay any fee required by subsection 1 pursuant to a payment plan if the holder of the permit submits a petition to the Division, on a

form prescribed by the Division, which demonstrates that the payment of the fee in a lump sum would cause financial hardship to the holder of the permit.

[10.] 12. As used in this section:

- (a) "Concentrated animal feeding operation" has the meaning ascribed to it in 40 C.F.R. § 122.23.
 - (b) "Domestic septage" has the meaning ascribed to it in 40 C.F.R. § 503.9.
 - (c) "Sewage sludge" has the meaning ascribed to it in 40 C.F.R. § 503.9.
 - **Sec. 3.** NAC 445A.268 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 445A.268 1. A general permit may be issued upon proper application by a group of dischargers whose facilities meet the requirements of NAC 445A.266. The application must finelude: 1:

(a) Include:

- (1) The name and address of the discharger;
- (b) (2) The exact location of the discharge;
- (c) (3) The nature of the discharge;
- (d) The name and location of the receiving waters;
- (6) The quantity and quality of the discharge; and
- (6) Any other information deemed necessary by the Director for the determination of whether the discharger should be included in the general permit .;

(b) Be accompanied by:

(1) If the discharger is a facility described in subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NAC 445A.228, a nonrefundable application fee of \$700; or

- (2) If the discharger is not a facility described in subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NAC 445A.228, the applicable nonrefundable application fee as set forth in section 1 of this regulation; and
- (c) Be signed in the manner prescribed by NAC 445A.231 for application and reporting forms.
 - 2. A general permit may be issued without application if the Director deems it appropriate.
- 3. If a general permit has been issued, a discharger who is eligible to be covered under the permit may submit a request to the Director to be included in the general permit. Such a request must [include]:
 - (a) Include the information required by subsection 1 [, be];
 - (b) Be accompanied by [a nonrefundable fee:
- (a) Of \$700, if]:
- (1) If the discharger is a facility described in subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NAC 445A.228 [;], a nonrefundable application fee of \$700; or [(b) Of \$200, if]
- (2) If the discharger is not a facility described in subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NAC 445A.228,
- the applicable nonrefundable application fee as set forth in section 1 of this regulation; and {be}
- (c) Be signed in the manner prescribed by NAC 445A.231 for application and reporting forms. If such a request is denied because the Director has determined that the discharger must

be covered under an individual permit, the Director must inform the holder pursuant to the provisions of NAC 445A.269.

- 4. A discharger will not be covered under a general permit until the discharger has been notified by the Director.
 - 5. A discharger who is covered under a general permit and:
- (a) Is a facility described in subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NAC 445A.228 shall pay to the Director a nonrefundable fee of \$700 not later than July 1 of each year that the discharger is covered under that permit.
- (b) Is not a facility described in subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NAC 445A.228 shall pay to the Director [a] the applicable nonrefundable annual fee [of \$200], as set forth in section 1 of this regulation, not later than July 1 of each year that the discharger is covered under that permit.
 - Sec. 4. NAC 445A.872 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 445A.872 1. A nonrefundable fee must accompany each application for a permit for an injection well. The applicable fee is:

Fee for Annual

Services, Major

Modifications or

Type of Injection Well

Application Fee

Renewal of Permit

Fee for Annual
Services, Major

Modifications or

Type of Injection Well

Application Fee

Renewal of Permit

Class II, oil and gas\$5,000 plus \$625

\$2,500 plus \$200

for each well

for each well

Class V, geothermal injection wells associated with the production of energy

Producing 25 megawatts or more.....\$6,250 plus \$625

\$3,750 plus \$200

for each well

for each well

Producing 10 megawatts or more but less

than 25 megawatts\$5,000 plus \$625

\$1,875 plus \$200

for each well

for each well

Producing less than 10 megawatts\$3,750 plus \$625

\$1,250 plus \$200

for each well

for each well

Class V, geothermal injection associated with space heating

Services, Major

Modifications or

Type of Injection Well

Application Fee

Renewal of Permit

Discharging less than 250,000 gallons		
daily\$875		\$325
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Discharging 250,000 gallons or more		
daily\$1,875		\$625
Class V, injection wells associated with		
remediation, treatment of waste or		
experimental technology\$3,000		\$1,500
Class V, injection wells associated with		
mining pit dewatering\$5,000 plus \$62	5	\$2,500 plus \$200
for each well		for each well

Services, Major

Modifications or

Type of Injection Well

Application Fee

Renewal of Permit

Class V, injection wells associated with

aquifer storage and recovery or aquifer

recharge and not associated with

reclaimed water projects\$2,000 plus \$60

\$600 plus \$40

for each well

for each well

Class V, injection wells associated with

reclaimed water projects injecting less

than 10,000,000 gallons daily\$10,000 plus \$625

\$10,000 plus \$200

for each well after 10 wells

for each well

after 10 wells

Class V, injection wells associated with

reclaimed water projects injecting

10,000,000 gallons or more but less than

20,000,000 gallons daily\$10,000 plus \$625

\$20,000 plus \$200

for each well after 20 wells

for each well

after 20 wells

Services, Major

Modifications or

Type of Injection Well

Application Fee

Renewal of Permit

Class V, injection wells associated with

reclaimed water projects injecting

20,000,000 gallons or more but less than

40,000,000 gallons daily\$10,000 plus \$625

\$30,000 plus \$200

for each well after 30 wells

for each well

after 30 wells

Class V, injection wells associated with

reclaimed water projects injecting

40,000,000 gallons or more daily.....\$10,000 plus \$625

\$40,000 plus \$200

for each well after 40 wells

for each well

after 40 wells

Class V, all others\$625 plus \$125

\$200 plus \$50

for each well

for each well

General Permit, remediation lasting more

than 6 months......\$1,500

\$900

Services, Major

Modifications or

Type of Injection Well

Application Fee

Renewal of Permit

General Permit, remedia	tion lasting 6	
months or less	s:-	\$300

[General Permit, septic system with a

capacity of 5,000 or more gal	lons\$400	\$300}

General Permit, all others with a report

requirement	\$300
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General Permit, all others without a report

requirement	\$200	§150)
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General Permit, filing fee for review of the

plan.....\$200

2. A nonrefundable application fee of \$150 must accompany each application for a minor modification made pursuant to NAC 445A.902.

- 3. A Class III well will be charged a fee for a permit for the actual cost of the review of the application calculated at a rate of \$50 per hour for the time spent for the review. The fee for renewal of a permit for a Class III well is \$750.
- [3.] 4. A fee for the renewal of a permit or for major or minor modifications, if applicable, must be paid in addition to the fee for annual services.
 - [4.] 5. The fee for annual services must be:
 - (a) Submitted to the Division on or before July 1; and
 - (b) Paid in advance for each subsequent year during the life of the permit.
- 6. For the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2026, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the Director shall increase each application fee set forth in subsection 1, each fee for annual services, major modifications or renewal of a permit set forth in subsection 1 and each fee for a minor modification set forth in subsection 2 by 3 percent of the fee amount for the immediately preceding fiscal year. In establishing any fee pursuant to this subsection, the Director shall round to the nearest dollar.
 - 7. The Director may, during any fiscal year, suspend an increase in a fee.
- 8. The Director shall post on the Internet website of the Division the fees required pursuant to this section that are applicable to each fiscal year.
 - Sec. 5. NAC 445A.963 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 445A.963 1. For an on-site sewage disposal system that is under the jurisdiction of the Division, the owner must pay the following fees:

One-time application fee for a general permit to construct or make major
modifications to an on-site sewage disposal system with a capacity of 5,000
gallons or more, including plan review\$600
Annual fee for renewal of a general permit for an on-site sewage disposal
system with a capacity of 5,000 gallons or more\$300
One-time application fee for a general permit to construct or make major
modifications to an on-site sewage disposal system with a capacity of less
than 5,000 gallons, including plan review
Annual fee for renewal of a general permit for an on-site sewage disposal [No Fee]
system with a capacity of less than 5,000 gallons
To add an existing on-site sewage disposal system with a capacity of less than [No Fee]
5,000 gallons to a general permit
One-time application fee for an individual permit to construct or make
major modifications to an on-site sewage disposal system, including plan
review\$1,000
Annual fee for renewal of an individual permit for an on-site sewage disposal
system\$1,000
To extend an individual or general permit to construct an on-site sewage
disposal system for a 1-year period after the expiration of the permit\$200
One-time application fee for minor modifications to a permit described in
this subsection\$150

- 2. Owners of an on-site sewage disposal system subject to an annual fee must pay the annual fee on or before the date specified in the permit.
- 3. Fees for a permit to construct an on-site sewage disposal system must be paid when the design engineer submits the certificate of completion to the Division.
- 4. Fees to extend a permit to construct an on-site sewage disposal system must be paid at the time the request for an extension is submitted to the Division.
- 5. For the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2026, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the Director shall increase each fee set forth in subsection 1 by 3 percent of the fee amount for the immediately preceding fiscal year. In establishing any fee pursuant to this subsection, the Director shall round to the nearest dollar.
 - 6. The Director may, during any fiscal year, suspend an increase in a fee.
- 7. The Director shall post on the Internet website of the Division the fees required pursuant to this section that are applicable to each fiscal year.

Permanent Regulation - Informational Statement

A Permanent Regulation Related to Environmental Programs

Legislative Review of Adopted Permanent Regulations as Required by Administrative Procedures Act, NRS 233B.066

State Environmental Commission Permanent No: R112-22P

The Nevada State Environmental Commission (SEC) offers the following informational statement in compliance with Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 233B.066.

1. Need for Regulation

R112-22 proposes increases to fees required to obtain general, temporary, and fiveyear permits to authorize discharges to the environment (surface or groundwater). The permits are required for all discharges including private individuals as well as private. Industry and public entities. The fee increases are necessary to ensure adequate NDEP staff is available for the timely review and approval of permit applications, to ensure adequate technical services are available for our permittees, to ensure timely and necessary compliance and enforcement actions are initiated and to provide the necessarily administrative assistance to the public. A review of the projected revenue and expenditures generated from the existing fee schedules reveals that sufficient revenue is not generated to cover existing staff merit increases in upcoming fiscal years. Staffing levels are currently not sufficient to adequately respond to increasing permit applications, technical review requests and compliance issues throughout the state. These shortfalls in permitting and compliance have been documented in audits conducted by EPA. The program is also working to ensure fiscal sustainability in the event discretionary federal grant fund programs (Including those from the Department of Energy) are reduced in future years. These grant programs are not mandated by yearly Congressional appropriations and may be subject to re-programming based on future federal administration priorities and funding limitations.

2. A description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

The Division held one hybrid (in-person and virtual) public workshop for R112-22P on October 13, 2022. The public was invited to participate in person in the Bryan Building at 901 South Stewart Street in Carson City, Nevada and in the NDEP offices in Las Vegas at 375 East Warm Springs Road. NDEP also provided the option to attend the workshop virtually. The workshop was held to present the substance of, and receive public

comment on, the proposed regulation. There were approximately 60 members of the public that attended the workshop, either in-person or virtually.

The Legislative Counsel Bureau published its draft, R112-22P, in the Nevada Register on August 26, 2022. The Division accepted written comments on R112-22P up to October 18, 2022. The Division received one written comment (in the form of an email) concerning R112-22P. That comment is attached as a pdf.

The SEC held a hybrid regulatory hearing on December 14, 2022, to consider possible action on R112-22P. The SEC posted its public notice, which included a link¹ and instructions to access R112-22P and pertinent documents and information supporting the regulation, for the regulatory meeting at the State Library in Carson City, at Division offices located in both Carson City and Las Vegas, at all county libraries throughout the state, and to the SEC email distribution list. The SEC also posted the public notice at the Division of Minerals in Carson City, at the Department of Agriculture, on the LCB website, on the Division of Administration website, and on the SEC website.

The SEC also published the public notice in the Las Vegas Review Journal and Reno Gazette Journal newspapers once a week for three consecutive weeks prior to the SEC regulatory meeting.

3. The number of persons who attended the SEC Regulatory Hearing:

- (a) Attended December 14, 2022, hearing: 57 (approximately)
- (b) Testified on this Petition at the hearing: 2
 - Elizabeth Kingsland, on behalf of the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, Nevada 89701 (775) 687-9357 ekingsland@ndep.nv.gov
 - Brandon Beach, on behalf of the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701 (775) 687-9421 bbeach@ndep.nv.gov

Adoption: 12/14/2022

(c) Submitted to the agency written comments: 1 (attached)

https://sec.nv.gov/meetings/sec-regulatory-meeting-december-14-2022

4. A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response, and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Comments were solicited from affected businesses through one public workshop and at the December 14, 2022 SEC hearing as noted in number 2 above.

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

The Commissioners unanimously adopted R112-22P with NDEP proposed edits. The regulation was adopted with changes because the public and the SEC were satisfied with the proposed amendments.

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

<u>Regulated Business/Industry</u>. The regulatory amendments in R112-22P are estimated to have a minimal net economic impact on public water systems.

<u>Public</u>. The regulatory amendments in R112-22P are expected to have no economic impact on the public.

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

<u>Enforcing Agency.</u> The regulatory amendments proposed in R112-22P are not expected to result in any additional costs to the Division.

8. 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 proposed amendments in R112-22P do not overlap or duplicate other state or government agencies.

9. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation, which regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

The regulatory amendments in R112-22P do not regulate the same activity as a federal statute or regulation.

10. 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.

The increase in revenue will be used to increase financial sustainability, ensure the program can keep pace with expenses, hire new staff to review and issue permits, to increase inspections of our permitted facilities, to provide technical assistance for wastewater facility improvements, and to address compliance issues throughout the state. The program is also working to ensure fiscal sustainability in the event discretionary federal grant fund programs (including those from the Department of Energy) are reduced in future years. These grant programs are not mandated by yearly Congressional appropriations and may be subject to re-programming based on future federal administration priorities and funding limitations. The fee increases tied to individual permits are proposed to be implemented over a three year-period to reduce impacts on any small business. Fee increases for small general permits were kept low to also reduce impacts. The agency anticipates collecting an additional \$1,534,522 per year by the end of FY27.

From:

Brandon Beach

To:

Elizabeth Kingsland; Jennifer Carr

Cc:

Andrew Dixon

Subject:

FW: comments on Proposed Regulation Petition LCB File No. R112-22

Date:

Thursday, October 20, 2022 11:20:36 AM

FYI

Thanks, Brandon

From: Daniel Fischer <dfischer@cleanwaterteam.com>

Subject: comments on Proposed Regulation Petition LCB File No. R112-22

WARNING - This email originated from outside the State of Nevada. Exercise caution when opening attachments or clicking links, especially from unknown senders.

Brandon – This may be late, but I hope you will accept our comments below on Proposed Regulation Petitions LCB File No. R112-22. The proposed regulations include increases to fees required to obtain permits to authorize discharges to the environment (surface or groundwater).

We, the District, understand the need for these fee increases, and we agree the fee increases are necessary to ensure adequate BWPC staffing for timely review and approval of permit applications, to ensure adequate technical services are available for permittees, to ensure timely and necessary compliance and enforcement actions are initiated, and to provide the necessary administrative assistance to the public.

Therefore, we support the fee increases, and Proposed Regulation Petition LCB File No. R112-22. Dan

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