

FISH HATCHERY UNDER NERA IS PROMISED TODAY

Approval of Plan For Plant 3½ Miles North of City Given

A fish hatchery project to furnish fish stock for Boulder lake was announced today by Claude Mackey, district administrator for NERA, following a conference yesterday with F. H. Upman, Jr., state director.

This hatchery was realized thru the cooperation of the officials of Las Vegas and the state NERA administration, Mackey states, and final approval of the project to be erected on city land 3½ miles north of Las Vegas was secured yesterday.

THIS WILL be entirely an NERA project, with the city agreeing to cooperate to the fullest extent possible by furnishing equipment or any help they may be in a position to contribute.

The plans, approved previously by the city, and okehed yesterday by the NERA group, call first for the drilling of an additional well on the city property, and the well rigger is now on the ground and is being set up today. Actual drilling will start tomorrow, Mackey said, as a separate water development project.

PLANS CALL for drilling of the well to a depth of 800 feet with an 8-inch casing. Funds for this are drawn from an allotment made in Nevada for permanent development of water.

The plans for the fish hatchery project call for a series of five dams, creating ponds covering approximately five acres each. The plans as drawn call for a concrete core wall in each dam, and a dirt fill of about 16 feet in width at the top with a gravel driveway around the same. The entire area will be designed as a park with trees and shrubbery planted wherever feasible.

IT IS ALSO planned to erect a fountain in each pond through which all water coming into the pond will flow. The outlet works which are necessary to drain the ponds to secure young fish at the proper time will be installed according to plans and specifications prepared by the bureau of fisheries.