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## Media Advisory

## The Division of Emergency Management/Homeland Security Works Closely with Several State Agencies to Assist Clark County with Emergency Support

The Nevada Division of Emergency Management/Homeland Security (NDEM) continues to assist Clark County with emergency support for the Moapa Band of Paiute Tribe's Reservation and Overton areas affected by the recent flash flooding. The State Emergency Operation Center is partially activated and working closely with the Division of Public and Behavioral Health, Department of Transportation, National Guard, Highway Patrol, and State Parks, in an effort to offer emergency resources to Clark County to manage the affected areas.

The County and Moapa Paiute Tribe will be working with the State Technical Assist Response Team (START) to determine the amount of damage to public infrastructure as well as attempting to determine private property damage following state and FEMA damage assessment criteria.

The START team members talk to as many residents as possible to ensure detailed assessments are made. Even when the damage may not seem apparent, the team is looking for all types and signs of damage, such as water lines from flooding, damaged roof and windows, and damage to doors and windows. Along with assessing the damages that affected individuals within a community, START will also assess the impact of the incident on public infrastructure. The goal is to complete the assessments efficiently and thoroughly to ensure the teams have captured the total impact to the communities and determine if it meets the federal threshold for federal funding.

The Nevada State Parks will be waiving feeds to allow motorists to detour around the damage roadway on Interstate 15. They are asking residents to drive slowly through the state parks to ensure the safety of staff and park visitors.

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