

## STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY NEVADA RESILIENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee

**Date and Time of Meeting:** May 27, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

**Place of Meeting:** There will be no physical location for this meeting. The

meeting can be listened to, or viewed live, over the Internet through the Nevada Division of Emergency Management

YouTube channel at:

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**Conference Line:** Conference line #: (669) 219-2599

Meeting ID# 405 396 0059

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Pursuant to Section 1 of the Declaration of Emergency Directive 006 signed March 12, 2020, as extended by Declaration of Emergency Directive 029, signed July 31, 2020, the requirement contained in Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 241.023(1)(b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate is suspended due to the COVID-19 emergency. Please see Attachment A. This meeting will be teleconferenced beginning at 1:30 p.m.

The Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee (Committee) may take action on items marked "For Possible Action." Items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the Chair. Items may be combined for consideration by the Committee at the discretion of the Chair. Items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time.

**Please Note:** Witnesses wishing to have their complete testimony/handouts included in the permanent record of this meeting should provide a written or electronic copy to the Committee administrative support staff. Minutes of the meeting are produced in a summary format and are not verbatim.

- **1. Call to Order and Roll Call** Chair, David Fogerson, State Administrative Agent (SAA), and Vice-Chair, Deputy Chief Billy Samuels, Urban Area Administrator (UAA).
- 2. Public Comment (Discussion Only) No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. Public comments may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint.

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In order to provide public comment in writing, please submit written comments to the Committee's administrative support staff no later than 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST) on May 26, 2021. All written public comments received by 5:00 p.m. on May 26, 2021, will be provided to the Committee members in advance of the scheduled meeting, and posted on the Nevada Public Notice Website as an attachment to the meeting agenda at: <a href="https://notice.nv.gov">https://notice.nv.gov</a>.

- **3. Approval of Minutes** (Discussion/For Possible Action) Chair, David Fogerson and Vice-Chair, Deputy Chief Billy Samuels. The Committee will discuss and review the minutes of the April 8, 2021, Committee meeting. The Committee may vote to amend and approve or approve the minutes as provided.
- 4. State of Nevada's 911 System (Discussion Only) Chair, David Fogerson, will lead a discussion on the status of Nevada's 911 systems to include the Federal Communications Commission's annual reporting requirements, recommendations from the disbanded Public Safety Communications Committee, and thoughts moving forward to increase Nevada's resilience.
- 5. Wildland Fire Potential in Nevada (Discussion Only) State Forester, Kacey KC will provide the committee with a presentation of Nevada's wildland fire outlook in 2021. The Committee may discuss the impacts that the wildland fire 2021 season may have on emergency management.
- 6. Urban Area Working Group (UAWG) Meeting Review (Discussion Only) Deputy Chief Billy Samuels. Deputy Chief Samuels will discuss the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Homeland Security Grants for FFY20-21. Deputy Chief Samuels will discuss the projects selected for funding by the Urban Area Working Group that were recommended to the Nevada Homeland Security Commission's Committee on Finance, the Nevada Homeland Security Commission, and the State Administrative Agent.
- 7. Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Submitted Justifications (Discussion Only) Chair, David Fogerson will present Nevada's investment justifications for the State Homeland Security Grant Program and the Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Program, which were submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency on May 13, 2021.
- 8. Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) FFY 2021 Workplan (Discussion Only) Chair, David Fogerson will present Nevada's EMPG work plan, which was submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency on May 13, 2021.

- **9. Nevada's Energy Related Issues** (Discussion Only) Chair, David Fogerson will discuss the impact of the East Coast fuel transmission pipeline issues in Nevada and collaborate on ways to improve Nevada's resilience.
- 10. Public Comment (Discussion Only) No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. Public comments may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint.

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**11. Adjourn** – (Discussion/For Possible Action)

This is a public meeting. In conformance with the Nevada Public Meeting Law, and pursuant to Sections 3 and 4 of the Declaration of Emergency Directive 006 signed March 12, 2020, as extended by Declaration of Emergency Directive 029, signed July 31, 2020, this agenda was posted or caused to be posted on or before 9:00 a.m. on May 24, 2021, at the following:

- Nevada Department of Public Safety's Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Public Meeting Notifications/Information Website: DEM Public Meeting Website at <a href="https://dem.nv.gov/DEM/2021">https://dem.nv.gov/DEM/2021</a> Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee/
- Nevada Public Notice Website: www.notice.nv.gov

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## DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

## DIRECTIVE 029

WHEREAS, in late 2019, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention began monitoring an outbreak of respiratory illness caused by a novel coronavirus first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2020, the International Committee on Taxonomy of Viruses named this novel coronavirus "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2);" and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2020, the World Health Organization named the disease caused by SARS-CoV-2, "COVID-19;" and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization advises that the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19 virus is highly contagious, and spreads through respiratory transmission, and direct and indirect contact with infected persons and surfaces; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization advises that respiratory transmission occurs through both droplet and airborne transmission, where droplet transmission occurs when a person is within 6 feet of someone who has respiratory symptoms like coughing or sneezing, and airborne transmission may occur when aerosolized particles remain suspended in the air and is inhaled; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization advises that contact transmission occurs by direct contact with infected people or indirect contact with surfaces contaminated by the novel coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, some persons with COVID-19 may exhibit no symptoms but remain highly infectious; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, Clark County and Washoe County both reported the first known cases of COVID-19 in the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, I formed a medical advisory team to provide medical guidance and scientifically based recommendations on measures Nevada could implement to better contain and mitigate the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, infectious disease and public health experts advised that minimizing interpersonal contact slows the rate at which the disease spreads, and is necessary to avoid overwhelming healthcare systems, commonly referred to as "flattening the curve"; and

WHEREAS, since the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency, I have issued 28 Directives pursuant to that order to provide for the safety, wellbeing, and public health of Nevadans and the administration of the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, these Directives were promulgated to reduce interpersonal contact and promote social distancing to flatten the curve; and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, I introduced the Nevada United: Roadmap to Recovery plan that outlined a phased approach to reopening Nevada businesses and industry; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada United: Roadmap to Recovery plan set forth a collaborative partnership between state and local governments that included the formation of the Local Empowerment Advisory Panel ("LEAP") to serve as a resource to local governments and local communities; and

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2020, the State of Nevada entered Phase One of the Nevada United: Roadmap to Recovery plan; and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2020, the State of Nevada entered Phase Two of the Nevada United: Roadmap to Recovery plan; and

WHEREAS, prior to entering Phase Two, Nevada experienced a consistent and sustainable downward trajectory in the percentage of positive COVID-19 cases, a decrease in the trend of COVID-19 hospitalizations, and a decline in our cumulative test positivity rate from a maximum rate of 12.2% on April 24, 2020 to 6.3% on May 27, 2020 with a 33-day downward trend; and

WHEREAS, the intensity of COVID-19 infections in Nevada is exceedingly fluid. As of July 28, 2020, the State of Nevada has experienced over fifty days of an increasing trend of hospitalizations for confirmed COVID-19 cases; and

WHEREAS, as of July 28, 2020, the State of Nevada has experienced forty days of an increasing trend in its cumulative test positivity rate of COVID-19 cases; and

WHEREAS, as of July 28, 2020, there is no cure or vaccine for the COVID-19 disease; and

WHEREAS, because the virus causing COVID-19 is novel, scientific and medical treatment knowledge about the virus and how to limit its spread is improving regularly; and

WHEREAS, NRS 414.060 outlines powers and duties delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, directing and controlling the conduct of the general public and the movement and cessation of movement of pedestrians and vehicular traffic during, before and after exercises or an emergency or disaster, public meetings or gatherings; and

WHEREAS, NRS 414.060(3)(f) provides that the administrative authority vested to the Governor in times of emergency may be delegated; and

WHEREAS, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada;" and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, and pursuant to the March 12, 2020, Emergency Declaration,

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- SECTION 1: To the extent this Directive conflicts with earlier Directives or regulations promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency, the provisions of this Directive shall prevail.
- SECTION 2: The Nevada United: Roadmap to Recovery plan is hereby reaffirmed. This plan provides for a federally supported, state managed, and locally executed reopening approach, under which county governments and local municipalities are delegated the authority to impose additional COVID-19-related restrictions on businesses and public activities. Restrictions imposed by county government or local municipalities may exceed the standards imposed by Declaration of Emergency Directives and any State or federal guidelines to the extent reasonable, or set forth under the LEAP guidelines, but in no case shall such local guidelines be more permissive than the provisions of this Directive and the disease management plans it authorizes.
- SECTION 3: The importance of the State's county and city governments committing significant energy, resources, and time to enforcing the provisions of this and previous directives and in mandating conformance with health and safety standards central to the continuing fight against COVID-19 is reaffirmed here in the strongest possible form. Local governments and individuals, businesses, and other organizations may adopt practices that exceed the standards imposed by Declaration of Emergency Directives and the disease management plans they authorize, guidelines promulgated by the Nevada State Occupational Safety and Health Administration (NV OSHA) or LEAP guidelines, but in no case shall business practices be more permissive than the provisions of this Directive, its authorized disease management plans, or those imposed by NV OSHA and the LEAP.
- SECTION 4: All directives promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency or subsections thereof set to expire on July 31, 2020, shall remain in effect for the duration of the current state of emergency, unless terminated prior to that date by a subsequent directive or by operation of law associated with lifting the Declaration of Emergency. Of note, Phase Two of the Nevada United: Roadmap to Recovery remains in effect. Directive 026, Section 8, extending Directive 021, Phase Two of the Nevada United: Roadmap to Recovery plan, is hereby extended until the earlier of termination of these provisions by a subsequent directive or termination of the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

SECTION 5: The provisions of Section 4 do not extend to the recommencement of certain actions or directives, including Directive 025, previously terminated by express or implied order, or previously allowed to expire by operation of law.

SECTION 6: Pursuant to NRS 414.060(3)(f), I hereby authorize and renew my call to all local, city, and county governments, and state agencies to enforce this Directive and regulations promulgated thereunder, including but not limited to, suspending licenses, revoking licenses, or issuing penalties for violating business, professional, liquor, tobacco, or gaming licenses issued by the local jurisdiction for actions that jeopardize the health, safety, or welfare of the public; conduct which may injuriously affect the public health, safety, or welfare; conduct that may be detrimental to the public peace, health, or morals; or any other applicable ordinance or requirement for such a license.

SECTION 7: The State of Nevada shall retain all authority vested in the Governor pursuant to NRS Chapter 414.

SECTION 8: This Directive is effective at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, July 31, 2020 and shall remain in effect until terminated by a subsequent directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency, or dissolution or lifting of the Declaration of Emergency itself, to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, in the year two thousand twenty.

Governor of the State of Nevada

Secretary of State

Deputy Secretary of State