



## STATE OF NEVADA MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA NEVADA RESILIENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Name of Organization:** Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee

**Date and Time of Meeting:** February 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.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 22, 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 9:00 a.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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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 January 29, 2021, Committee meeting. The Committee may vote to amend and approve or approve the minutes as provided.
4. **Discussion of Current Legislative Efforts Impacting Emergency Management** – (Discussion Only) – Chair, David Fogerson. Chair Fogerson will lead a discussion on legislative efforts impacting emergency management in the State of Nevada, including, an overview of the current status of Bill Draft Requests (BDR) submitted by the Division of Emergency Management. This presentation may include the status of the following items:
  - Senate Bill 14 – Revises provisions relating to certain emergency response plans and assessments.
  - Assembly Bill 14 – Revise provisions relating to emergency management.
  - Unassigned BDR related to the reorganization of the Division of Emergency Management.
5. **Discussion on the Proposed Realignment of the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) Collaborative Operating Groups (COG)** – (Discussion Only) – Melissa Friend, Nevada Division of Emergency Management (DEM). Ms. Friend will present on the proposed realignment of the limited number of COG's available in the State to ensure statewide coverage and to improve statewide resilience.
6. **Annual Review of the Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee Bylaws** – (Discussion/For Possible Action) – Chair, David Fogerson and Vice-Chair, Deputy Chief Billy Samuels. The Committee will discuss and review the Committee Bylaws. The Committee may vote to amend and approve or approve the Bylaws as provided.
7. **Floodplain Management and Drought Resiliency Program Updates** – (Discussion Only) Bunny Bishop, Chief, Water Planning and Drought Resiliency. Ms. Bishop will lead a discussion on how the Committee can continue to support the flood program through outreach and education for flood risk awareness and mitigation. Ms. Bishop will also discuss drought and recent efforts to support drought monitoring and awareness.
8. **Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Programmatic Update** – (Discussion Only) Kelli Anderson, DEM. The Committee will be provided with an informational report on the current implementation for programs and projects funded through the Homeland Security Grant Program for each of the open grant years (Federal Fiscal Years 2017-2019) in order to ensure oversight and accountability.

9. **Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Financial Update** – (Discussion Only) – Kelli Anderson, DEM. The Committee will be provided with an informational report on the current status of expenditures for programs and projects funded through the Homeland Security Grant Program for each of the open grant years (Federal Fiscal Years 2017-2019) in order to ensure oversight and accountability.
10. **Preliminary Disaster Assessment (PDA) Tool Overview** – (Discussion Only) - Blue Raster, the contractor providing the PDA Tool to DEM, will present the first phase of the State, Local, Tribal preliminary disaster assessment tool designed for an all hazards event. The PDA tool will be available to conduct PDAs to determine the magnitude and impact of disasters.
11. **Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Update and Review of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Nevada Workplan** – (Discussion Only) – Chair David Fogerson. The Committee will be provided with an informational update on the FFY 2020 EMPG workplan and grant activities for Nevada and the FFY 2020 EMPG program's current status. Chair Fogerson will discuss the various approved workplan, grant activities and updated direction that FEMA has provided to Nevada and the other FEMA Region IX stakeholders.
12. **Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant Supplemental (EMPG-S) Update and Review of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Nevada Workplan** – (Discussion Only) – Chair David Fogerson. The Committee will be provided with an informational update on the FFY 2020 EMPG-S workplan and grant activities for Nevada and the FFY 2020 EMPG-S program's current status. Chair Fogerson will discuss the workplans, grant activities and updated direction that FEMA has provided to Nevada and the other FEMA Region IX stakeholders.
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#### 14. Adjourn – (Discussion/For Possible Action)

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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 22, 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 February 19, 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 [https://dem.nv.gov/DEM/2021\\_Nevada\\_Resilience\\_Advisory\\_Committee/](https://dem.nv.gov/DEM/2021_Nevada_Resilience_Advisory_Committee/)
- Nevada Public Notice Website: [www.notice.nv.gov](http://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.

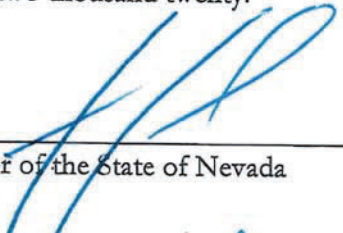
SECTION 6: Pursuant to NRS 414.060(3)(f), I hereby authorize and renew my call to all local, city, and county governments, and state agencies to enforce this Directive and regulations promulgated thereunder, including but not limited to, suspending licenses, revoking licenses, or issuing penalties for 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.

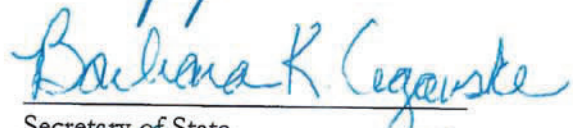
SECTION 7: The State of Nevada shall retain all authority vested in the Governor pursuant to NRS Chapter 414.

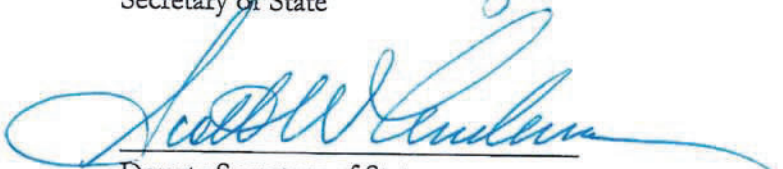
SECTION 8: This Directive is effective at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, July 31, 2020 and shall remain in effect until terminated by a subsequent directive promulgated pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency, or dissolution or lifting of the Declaration of Emergency itself, to facilitate the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