



If you have questions, we still have answers.

The Nevada Business Environmental Program ([BEP](#)) at the University of Nevada, Reno remains open and staffed with a statewide team to provide free and confidential business advisory services to Nevada businesses.

If you have any environmental or energy questions or concerns, do not hesitate to get in touch with us. While the COVID-19 emergency may have us primarily working remotely we are staffed as always from 8am - 5pm, Monday through Friday.

Our toll-free hotline is still taking calls and we are promptly answering all emails. We are also available to communicate via calls, photos, and online video meetings.

Hotline: (800) 882-3233 Email: help@unrbep.org

[Visit our BEP website.](#)

News & Updates

Upcoming Webinars and Trainings

Hazardous Waste Training - Registration is Open

Coming soon to a computer near you!

Our popular Hazardous Waste refresher trainings are going virtual!

We are offering two opportunities to attend the virtual training.

There is no fee to attend but registration is required.

Register for one of the virtual trainings today to reserve your spot.

- **November 19th at 9:00 am** ([REGISTER](#))
- **December 8th at 1:00 pm** ([REGISTER](#))

The training will cover hazardous waste management and present information to maintain compliance in Nevada. We will also be going over Nevada's updated hazardous waste regulations. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and interact with the BEP team to obtain hazardous waste knowledge for your organization.

Registration is open! Have questions about the training? Email Liz Futch at efutch@unr.edu.

Environmental News

Autobody Shop 6H Regulatory Exemption Tool

Is your autobody shop exempt from this national air quality regulation?

If you are the owner or operator of a mobile or stationary autobody shop, there is a new [tool](#) available to help you determine if you may qualify for an exemption to EPA's HHHHHH (6H) air quality regulation.

The 6H regulation applies to emissions from surface coating operations that involve the spray application of coatings that contain compounds of chromium (Cr), lead (Pb), manganese (Mn), nickel (Ni), or cadmium (Cd). However, if you are a collision repair shop that applies spray coating to motor vehicles and motor equipment, you may be fall under an exemption.

To find out if you qualify for the exemption click the link below and answer a few very short questions. The results will tell if you should file a petition for an exemption for your facility under CFR Title 40 Part 63 Subpart HHHHHH.

[6H Regulatory Navigation Tool](#)

Contact BEP air quality consultant Eric Florio at eflorio@unr.edu if you need help using the tool or understanding the results and next steps.

To read the full article, [CLICK HERE](#).

New Hazardous Waste Manifest Requirements

Requirement to send copies of manifests to the state is removed

The Nevada Legislative Commission adopted the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's (NDEP) proposed hazardous waste regulations on August 25, 2020 making the [regulations](#) effective immediately in the State of Nevada.

With the adoption of the Electronic Manifest System Rule ([79 FR 7518-7563](#)), the state is no longer requiring a copy of the generator's manifest to be sent to the Division. This reduces the burden on industry while minimizing paper waste. The move also makes the state requirements consistent with federal requirements.

To assist the regulated community with adapting to the new requirements under the regulations, NDEP has set an implementation date of January 1, 2021. All regulated entities are expected to abide by the new regulations by this date.

If you have any questions, please contact the BEP team at (800) 882-3233 or visit our [website](#).

Comment Period Open for Draft National Recycling Strategy

Comments due by December 4th, 2020

The draft National Recycling Strategy put forth by the US EPA is open for public input until December 4th. The strategy follows the building of national recycling goals to be announced this month after the comment period

closed in October. As [defined by the EPA](#) “ the draft strategy identifies strategic objectives and actions needed to create a stronger, more resilient, and cost-effective U.S. municipal solid waste recycling system.”

The draft strategy focuses on three objectives to improve our recycling system:

- Reduce contamination in the recycling stream
- Increase processing efficiencies
- Improve end markets

To learn more about the strategy, visit this [EPA page](#). Or, you can go directly to the federal docket at <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for the docket **EPA-HQ-OLEM-2020-0462** to log your comments.

UNLV Lee School Prize for Innovation & Entrepreneurship Awards \$250,000 to Purlin, LLC to Roll Out One-Time-Use Recyclable Bed Linens for Hotels in Las Vegas

[Purlin, LLC](#) was selected as a winner in the hospitality category of the [UNLV Lee School Prize](#) for Innovation & Entrepreneurship awards competition. The competition looks to highlight and assist businesses developing innovations and solutions to make the hospitality, sports, entertainment and travel industries safer for workers and guests.

Purlin provides hotels with bedsheets made of microfibers designed to simulate cotton. Instead of being laundered, the linens are picked up after use by a guest and taken to a recycling facility where they go through a melting process where they are heated to over 510F degrees, liquified and pelletized, and then turned back into new bed linens. “We are a great solution for COVID-19. You are sleeping on sheets nobody has slept on,” Richard Ferrell, President and Founder of Purlin, recently told *Green Lodging News*.

With this prize, Purlin hopes to break into the Las Vegas hotel market to create a business model that can then be replicated throughout the United States.

Funding Opportunities

\$400 Wood Stove Rebates Still Available for Homeowners in Nevada's Tahoe Basin

If you live in the Tahoe Basin portion of Douglas County or Washoe County, you may be eligible to receive a rebate of \$400 to change-out your old pre-1992 wood stove for a new wood stove, pellet stove, or gas stove. New stoves are cleaner burning, which helps our local air quality. New stoves are also more efficient and use less wood so you can save money each winter on heating your house.

Act quickly! Only a few rebates remain and they are available on a first come, first served basis until funds run out.

To learn more about the program and participating wood stove retailers, [CLICK HERE](#).

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We look forward to hearing from you.

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Wear a Mask!

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