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If you have questions, we still have answers.

The Nevada Business Environmental Program (<u>BEP</u>) 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 from home, 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

Nevada Road Map to Recovery Plan released April 30th by Governor Sisolak

Governor Sisolak released a 28 page plan for recovery that outlines a coordinated, state-specific plan to address the COVID-19 public health and economic crisis in Nevada. The Governor explained that the core guiding principle is that efforts should be "Federally supported, state managed, and locally executed." <u>Click</u> <u>here</u> to view the plan.

How to Clean and Disinfect Your Workplace During a Pandemic New Guidance is Available to Help you Plan & Act to Reduce Risk

As Nevada reopens its businesses and public places, it is important for business owners and facility managers to review and revise current cleaning practices to make sure these spaces are safe and healthy for all who use them. The CDC and EPA have developed guidance for many industries as they seek to reopen. This excellent resource can be found <u>here</u>.

Recommended practices include:

- Develop and implement a plan that includes educating and training employees on new practices.
- · Review and select from the list of cleaning products that meet the EPA's criteria .
- · Use normal cleaning of surfaces with soap and water before disinfection.
- Increase frequency of disinfection of surfaces and objects that are touched by multiple people.

Take the Nevada iChallenge 2020

To help businesses navigate the difficult times and prepare for recovery the Nevada Department of Business and Industry (B&I), the Small Business Administration (SBA), and other business resource partners across the state have joined together to promote the <u>iChallenge 2020</u>. The initiative encourages prospective or current business owners to discover the many local, regional and statewide business support resources available to them - and to use them. View this <u>flyer</u> to get started exploring Nevada's small business support ecosystem and learn more about business support groups and services available to assist you.

One of the top business resources that can assist you with managing your business in this challenging time and applying for relief loans is the <u>Nevada Small Business Development Center</u>.

Administrative Renewal of Existing Air Permits Effective January 1, 2020

NDEP has made it easier to renew permits where there have been no changes to your operations. Effective January 1, 2020 **Class I and Class II Stationary Air Quality Operating Permit holders** may be eligible for an Administrative Renewal.

A facility may submit an Administrative Renewal application if <u>all of the following items</u> have been met:

- The facility has one or more Class I or II operating permits;
- The facility has been issued a new or renewed operating permit that was issued on or after January 1, 2018;
- The renewal does not require changes to the existing operating permit; and
- At the time of the operating permit renewal request, an environmental evaluation and an air pollutant dispersion model that were submitted within five years of the request are deemed adequate

The fees are \$5,000 for a Class I facility and \$2,000 for a Class II facility. For Class I facilities a complete application and application fee must be submitted at least 240 days prior to the expiration date of the current permit but no earlier than 18 months. For Class II permit holders a complete application and application fee must be submitted at least 70 days prior to the expiration of the current permit. A link to the <u>renewal</u> <u>application</u>, <u>checklist</u>, and <u>FAQs</u> are provided below.

Administrative Renewal Application

Administrative Renewal Application Checklist

Frequently Asked Questions



Wood Stove Rebates Available!

Rebates are still available for the replacement of older wood stoves. BEP can help you determine if you are eligible for rebate when you replace your old wood stove.

Learn More

We look forward to hearing from you.