



Business Environmental Program NEVADA

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 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

ASK THE EXPERTS WEBINAR: Cleaning NV Schools During COVID-19 Part 2: Transportation Edition

**Thursday, June 18th
11:00 am - 12:00 pm PDT
[REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE](#)**

Join our next online panel discussion and forum connecting all Nevada schools. This is Part 2 in a series of informational roundtable webinars for Nevada schools coordinated by the [UNR Business Environmental Program](#) .

The focus of this webinar is TRANSPORTATION and e xperts in our region and other states will discuss how we can ensure our buses are as safe and healthy as possible for our students and operators.

Panelists include:

- Brian Labus, PhD, MPH, REHS, Associate Professor, School of Public Health, UNLV
- Jennah Fiedler, Program Officer for Pupil Transportation and Student Safety, Nevada Department of Education
- Cody Cox, Director of Transportation and Maintenance, Community Independent School District, Collin County, Texas
- Abul Hassan, General Manager, Reno Operations, Keolis Transit America

These experts will give us insights into:

- the virus itself,
- guidelines for schools,
- how one school district is conquering the current challenge and
- how one metro regional transit authority is managing through this pandemic challenge

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more. [REGISTER](#) today!

SCATS COVID-19 Resource Page

The Nevada On-Site Consultation program ([SCATS](#)) has developed a [COVID-19 resource page](#) with timely and helpful information.

SCATS recently posted the following COVID-19 videos:

- [Tips on Social Distancing and PPE](#)
- [Tips on Signage for Customers to Help Prevent the Spread of COVID-19](#)

New Reopening Tip Sheets for Small Businesses

Child Care Providers, Fitness Facilities, Boutique Gyms, Day & Residential Camps

The Nevada SBDC and BEP have prepared new tip sheets for [Child Care Providers](#) , [Boutique Gyms & Personal Fitness Studios](#) , [Fitness Facilities](#) and [Day & Residential Camps](#) . The tip sheets are for businesses which are either getting ready to open or have already opened and are operating under Governor Sisolak's continued Phase 1 and new Phase 2 guidelines. This is part of our [series of tip sheets](#) which lay out minimum requirements, tips for reopening and additional resources.

Download the new tip sheets:

[Getting Back to Work in Nevada: Child Care Providers Tip Sheet](#)

[Getting Back to Work in Nevada: Boutique Gyms & Personal Fitness Studios Tip Sheet](#)

[Getting Back to Work in Nevada: Fitness Facilities Tip Sheet](#)

[Getting Back to Work in Nevada: Day & Residential Camps Tip Sheet](#)

Check our [tip sheet homepage](#) often to view and download the latest tip sheets.

Nevada SBDC's [Business Resiliency Resources](#) provide helpful information. Counselors at the [Nevada Small Business Development Center](#) and [BEP](#) are available to assist you with analyzing your options to help keep you in business and profitable.

The Clean Air Act Turns 50!

Nevadans have contributed to improving public health and the environment

In 1970 the Clean Air Act (CAA) was authorized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to establish standards to protect public health and the environment. States, including Nevada, developed plans for emission reduction strategies to achieve the standards by the legislated date.

According to a recent [report from EPA](#) the combined emissions of criteria and precursor pollutants have dropped nationwide by 77% since the CAA went into effect. Since the 1990 amendments were implemented, the concentrations of air pollutants have dropped dramatically, below are a few of the decreases in emissions for each pollutant.

- Carbon Monoxide (CO) 8-Hour – decreased by 78%
- Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂) Annual – decreased by 59%
- Particulate Matter 10 microns (PM₁₀) 24-Hour – decreased by 46%
- Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) 1-Hour – decreased by 90%

Nevada businesses have helped contribute to these air quality improvements! Findings in NDEP's most recent [Nevada Statewide Greenhouse Gas Inventory](#) show that:

- Nevada has reduced greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) from 2005 levels by 22% as of 2016, primarily through reductions in the electricity generation sector via Nevada's Renewable Portfolio Standard
- Nevadans, on average, contribute 25% fewer GHG emissions per person than the rest of the U.S.
- As of 2016, Nevada contributed 0.68% of the nation's total gross GHG emissions, despite having 0.90% of the U.S. population

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the entire article.

Free & Confidential Environmental Assistance
We look forward to hearing from you.

Stay Safe to Stay Open Nevada

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