



If you have questions, we still have answers.

The Nevada Business Environmental Program ([BEP](#)) at the University of Nevada, Reno has remained open and staffed during the COVID-19 emergency with a statewide team providing free and confidential business advisory services to Nevada businesses and regulated entities.

If you have any environmental or energy questions, do not hesitate to get in touch with us. Our confidential toll-free hotline is taking calls and we are promptly answering all emails. We are staffed as always from 8am – 5pm, Monday through Friday.

We are now scheduling on-site assessment visits again. If you are interested in having BEP visit your business, give us a call. We are also available to communicate via calls, photos, and online video meetings.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about why it makes sense to work with BEP!

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

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News & Updates

New Sustainable Nation Podcasts Available Through BEP

In the latest Sustainable Nation [podcast](#) hosted by Josh Prigge, Lauren Riley, Managing Director of Global Environmental Affairs and Sustainability at United Airlines discusses United's greenhouse gas reduction goals and its commitment to realizing net zero without carbon offsets, the advantages and challenges of sustainable aviation fuel, and how their [Eco-Skies Alliance](#) program is providing a way for corporate customers to reduce their environmental impact.

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Also, be sure to also check out the full [library](#) of podcasts and don't miss listening to last month's podcast where **Virginie Helias**, Chief Sustainability Officer at Procter and Gamble (P&G) discusses ways to make sustainability irresistible, P&G's process for prioritizing and developing sustainability goals, and getting executive leadership on board with aspirational goals. She also provides an update on P&G's role in the [50 Liter Home](#) coalition, a global action-oriented platform that addresses water security and climate change.

The Sustainable Nation Podcast is made available through a [partnership](#) with the Nevada Business Environmental Program.



REMINDER: Small Quantity Generator Re-Notification Due September 1, 2021

Is your facility a Small Quantity Generator (SQG) of hazardous waste? If so, there is a new requirement that you must re-notify the state of your status as a SQG by September 1st of this year. To re-notify, businesses must submit the US EPA Site Identification [form](#) known as US EPA Form 8700-12. This form can be submitted online into EPA's information system at the RCRA Info website. If you do not have an account in the system, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection has [step by step instructions](#) to help you set it up. Not only can you re-notify through this website, but you can also submit manifests through your [RCRA Info](#) account.

If you prefer not to use the online system you may submit a paper notification, with an ink signature, to the state by sending your completed Form 8700-12 to:

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Sustainable Materials Management
Attn: Notification Program
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

Regardless of how you submit the form, it is helpful to include the reason for the submittal on the form. Box number 18 on Form 8700-12 provides space for your comments. Providing a comment such as "This form is submitted to fulfill our SQG Re-notification requirement", will assist the state in processing the information.

While the requirement is straightforward, it does take some time to complete the form so don't wait until the last minute! Need help in filling out your form? [Contact us](#) for assistance.

SBA Announces Direct Forgiveness Portal for PPP Loans

The US Small Business Administration (SBA) now offers a [portal](#) to streamline forgiveness processing for PPP borrowers with loans that are \$150,000 or less. The streamlined process allows you to automatically submit your forgiveness request to your lender if they have opted into the program. Lenders can still opt-in by going to <https://directforgiveness.sba.gov>.

For more information on SBA COVID relief programs, [CLICK HERE](#).

Training Opportunities

EPA Four-Part Webinar Series: How to Manage Asbestos in School Buildings Training for Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act Designated Persons

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is hosting a four-part webinar training series to help Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) designated persons understand their responsibilities to help local education agencies comply with federal asbestos in schools regulations.

The [asbestos training](#) will include:

- Part 1: Introduction to Asbestos, August 13, 2021
- Part 2: Local Education Agency/Designated Person Requirements, August 16, 2021
- Part 3: The AHERA Inspection and Surveillance, August 26, 2021
- Part 4: AHERA Operation and Maintenance Program, September 2, 2021

For more information and to register, download the [training flyer](#).

Save the Dates: Pollution Prevention Roundtable - October 20, 21, 27 and 28 Call for Presentations! Submit by August 18th

The Pacific Northwest Pollution Prevention Resource Center ([PPRC](#)) is sponsoring a virtual pollution prevention (P2) roundtable, [P2 West: Inspiration, Innovation, and Implementation](#) on Oct 20, 21, 27, and 28 from 10:00 am – 2:30 pm PT each day.

This event is intended for P2 technical assistance providers, green business programs, sustainability experts, and zero waste and pretreatment professionals working with small businesses and industry to reduce pollution.

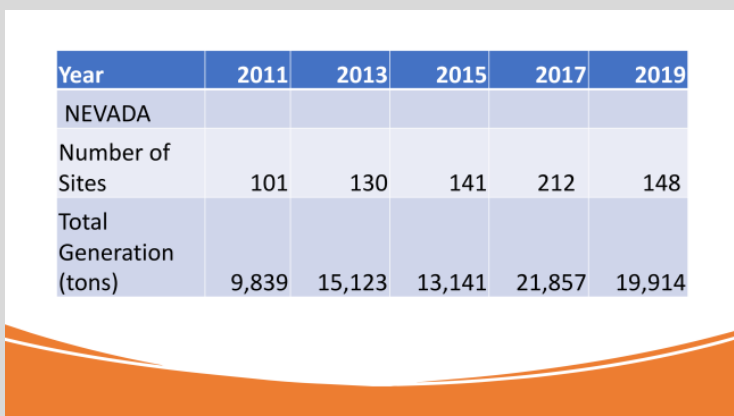
PPRC is currently [calling for presentations](#). Preferred presentations will emphasize “upstream solutions,” and can be as short as five minutes or as long as 30 minutes. Case studies are welcome and should emphasize results. The roundtable will include several sessions each day on topics such as environmental justice, tribal projects, P2 and resiliency, and greenhouse gas (GHG) calculators. Presentations must be submitted by August 18, 2021.

Environmental Updates

Trend Analysis of Hazardous Waste Generation in Nevada

Large quantity generators (LQGs) of hazardous waste are required every other year to report to the [State of Nevada](#) and the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on their generation activities. US EPA aggregates this information and allows website users to view [trends](#) of the data in several different ways.

By looking at all Nevada LQGs included in the National Biennial Report (see above chart), we can see that hazardous waste generation by LQGs has fluctuated quite a bit between reporting periods but the overall trend has been an increase in hazardous waste generation since the Great Recession. By 2019, hazardous waste generation has more than doubled since 2011. This is partly explained by the greater number of generating facilities and likely increases in production as the economy recovered. Regardless of the reasons for the increases, now is a great time for facilities to look for opportunities to minimize the amounts of hazardous waste they generate.



Year	2011	2013	2015	2017	2019
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Number of Sites	101	130	141	212	148
Total Generation (tons)	9,839	15,123	13,141	21,857	19,914

Why? Hazardous waste is more expensive to dispose than other wastes, so generation has a direct negative impact on any company's bottom line. By implementing a program to reduce hazardous wastes, companies can reduce their operating costs, lessen their environmental footprint, and fulfill their regulatory requirement to implement a waste reduction program, see [40 CFR 262.27](#). *Reminder, if you generate hazardous wastes as an LQG, you certify on every hazardous waste disposal manifest that you have a hazardous waste minimization program in place and are making efforts to reduce your waste generation.*

If your facility is generating hazardous waste, do you have a program in place to reduce and minimize that waste? [Contact BEP](#) and we can help you develop and implement a waste management plan or fine tune your existing program to reduce hazardous waste generation.

Visit our website to learn more about [hazardous waste management](#).

Funding Opportunities

Secure A Wood Stove Change-Out Rebate in Carson City and Douglas County Before They Run Out!

Have you been home more during the pandemic? Do you have an older wood stove or zero clearance wood fireplace insert that isn't getting the job done anymore or is using too much wood? Get ready for next winter by replacing your old wood stove now. Improve the heat and comfort of your home, use less wood each winter, and save some money by replacing your old pre-1992 wood stove with a new US EPA-certified wood stove, pellet stove, or natural gas stove. You will also be helping your local community keep the air we breathe cleaner by emitting less particulate matter and soot into the atmosphere – a particular problem when there is a wintertime air inversion.

Rebates between \$600-\$1,200 are available, with a \$400 bonus rebate available for residents of the Tahoe Basin!

Visit our [website](#) to learn more and call BEP today for more information.

Grants and Incentives in Nevada

Don't forget the Nevada Department of Business and Industry maintains a [list](#) of current funding opportunities in Nevada. This is a great source of funding options for businesses and organizations.

The list includes links to private, federal, state, and local [COVID-19 grant funding opportunities](#) which are posted as they become available.

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

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