



# Business Environmental Program NEVADA

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**BEP News**



## Nevada BEP Hosts 2023 National Small Business Conference

The Nevada Business Environmental Program (BEP) hosted more than 60 participants from across the country in Stateline, NV for the first in-person National Small Business Environmental Assistance Program (SBEAP) annual training since 2019 on March 20-23. The conference was supported by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), NV Energy, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection and the College of Business at the University of Nevada, Reno, among

others.

The conference featured many great speakers and topics, opening with updates from the US EPA Pacific Southwest Regional Administrator Martha Guzman and NDEP Deputy Administrator Jeffrey Kinder as well as welcoming remarks from BEP Director Chris Lynch, and Gregory Mosier, the Dean of the College of Business at UNR. Marie Steele, Vice President of Integrated Energy Services for NV Energy, highlighted efforts by NV Energy to engage with historically underserved communities while Derek Kauneckis, with the Desert Research Institute, spoke about the *Buen Aire Para Todos Project*, which aims to promote air quality monitoring in East Las Vegas. The group was thoroughly engaged over lunch on Thursday by Julie Regan, Executive Director of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, who provided an overview of what makes Lake Tahoe so special and the unique efforts to protect the lake.

## BEP Wins 2023 National SBEAP Excellence Award!



At Wednesday's awards program, Nevada BEP was awarded the **2023 SBEAP Excellence Award**, acknowledging the program's national leadership contributions and efforts by BEP to provide support for Nevada small businesses.

"It's great to be back meeting in person again after the pandemic, and it's a great feeling to be recognized by our peers for the role that we've played in providing leadership for the national network and the assistance we provide businesses and government organizations across Nevada," Lynch said.



## Welcome New BEP Staff!

We are excited to announce that **Zack Rice** and **Jan Sudomier** recently joined the BEP team as our new Air Quality Specialists. They will be providing air quality technical assistance to small businesses and other entities in Nevada. If you need assistance understanding air quality regulatory and permitting requirements that might apply to your facility, you can contact Zack at [zrice@unr.edu](mailto:zrice@unr.edu) and Jan at [jsudomier@unr.edu](mailto:jsudomier@unr.edu).



Zack is from Nevada and is committed to serving the community he grew up in. He holds a bachelor's degree in community health science from the University of Nevada Reno. He has prior regulatory experience from local government agencies and is looking forward to aiding you and your small business.

Jan is a Michigan native who moved west to work in Yosemite. She has a bachelors degree from California State University, Chico. Jan has many years experience working for Air Pollution Control Districts in California.

And, we are pleased to have **Kacey Fowler** on board now as our Marketing and Communications Intern. Kacey is studying marketing and management at the University of Nevada, Reno and has a passion for social media and analytics. Check out our new social media postings using the QR code above.



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## Regulatory Updates

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### **NDEP Is Seeking Your Input on Revisions to Regulations**

**NOTE: Input Must Be Received by Friday, March 31, 2023**

As required by Governor [Lombardo's Executive Order 2023-003](#), the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is undertaking a comprehensive review of the regulations subject to its enforcement. As required, NDEP will be providing a report to the Governor's office by May 1, 2023 "detailing how those regulations can be streamlined, clarified, or otherwise improved to ensure they provide for the general welfare of the State without unnecessarily inhibiting economic growth." The report will provide recommendations for amendments and "a list of not less than ten (10) regulations recommended for removal, ranking them in

descending order of priority". Regulations administered by NDEP also include those that fall under the oversight or implementation of the State Environmental Commission, Board for Financing Water Projects, and Board to Review (Petroleum Fund) Claims.

Prior to submitting the report to the Governor's Office, EO 2023-003 requires NDEP to hold a public hearing to vet NDEP's recommended changes, solicit input as to the merits of NDEP's recommended changes, and identify other regulatory changes stakeholders feel are worthy of consideration. EO 2023-003 also requires NDEP to reflect stakeholder input in the summary of findings and recommendation included in the report.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the regulations that NDEP will be reviewing. More information on the affected regulations and how you can provide input can be found here: <https://ndep.nv.gov/req-review>.

Suggestions for revisions to regulations can be submitted to this email address: [NDEPRegReview23@ndep.nv.gov](mailto:NDEPRegReview23@ndep.nv.gov).

If you choose to provide input, please identify the regulation(s) for consideration, by NAC number if possible.

**All input must be received no later than Friday, March 31, 2023.**

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## Hazardous Waste Updates

### Hand-Sanitizer: How to Dispose of your Surplus

To meet the demand during the COVID-19 pandemic, many businesses manufactured or acquired large quantities of alcohol-based hand sanitizer that is now reaching or is past its expiration date. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer is typically an ignitable hazardous waste when discarded (D001), so what options do businesses have when disposing of their surplus?

- Episodic generation: VSQGs and SQGs can prepare for a planned episodic generation event, allowing them to dispose of their surplus without it contributing toward their generator status. Notify NDEP at least 30 days prior to your disposal event.
- Recycling: if the hand-sanitizer can be returned to the manufacturer, or returned to a recycler that can reclaim the material, the hand-sanitizer does not need to be managed as a hazardous waste.
- Donation: if the hand-sanitizer is not yet expired, are there local non-profits or other facilities in your area that would accept it as a donation? Hand sanitizer that will be donated and used is not considered a hazardous waste.
- Hand sanitizing solutions containing less than 24% alcohol by volume are not a hazardous waste. Check the alcohol content on your product to verify how it should best be managed.

The EPA has issued several memoranda with more detailed guidance on this issue: [RCRA Online #14953](#), [RCRA Online #14941](#), and [RCRA Online #14949](#). Call BEP for further assistance on the disposal of excess hand sanitizer.

## Have You Downloaded Your 2023 Compliance Calendars?

### 2023 Hazardous Waste Compliance Calendar

Make recordkeeping easy this year with the [2023 Hazardous Waste Compliance Calendar](#)! The calendar includes space for your weekly inspections, tracking monthly generation quantities, documenting staff training, and more.

### 2023 Dry Cleaner Compliance Calendar

The [2023 Dry Cleaner Compliance Calendar](#) is also available for download! It includes monthly logs and helpful pollution prevention tips.

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## Sustainability Corner

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## New Sustainable Nation Podcast

### Yogesh Chauhan from HubSpot

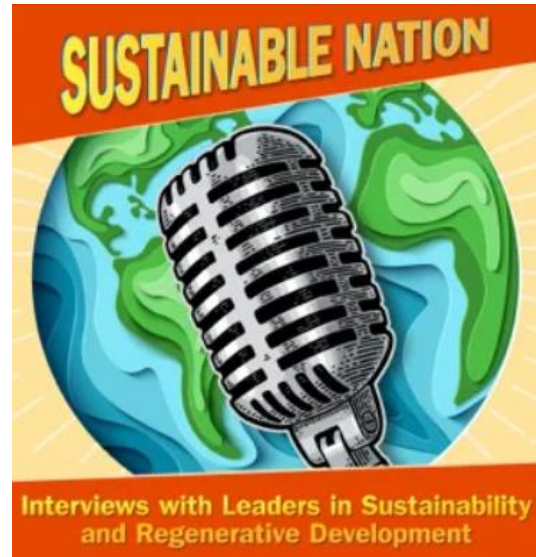
Host Josh Prigge speaks with Yogesh Chauhan, Director of ESG at HubSpot to discuss:

- Upstream and downstream supply chain challenges to reducing emissions as a SAS company
- Getting buy-in from leadership for SBTI or sustainability goals
- Activating the workforce around sustainability strategy
- Advice and recommendations for sustainability professionals

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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 from 8am – 5pm, Monday through Friday.

We are scheduling on-site assessment visits for 2023. 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!

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