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Welcome New BEP Staff

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Natalie Allen

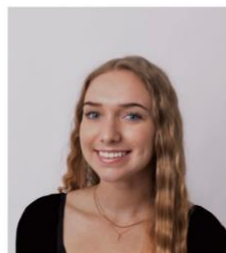
AIR QUALITY SPECIALIST



Natalie will be working statewide to provide businesses with air quality regulatory compliance and permitting assistance.

Natalie is a Nevada native who grew up in Sparks and is excited to continue to serve within her community. She received her Bachelor's and Master's of Environmental Science from the University of Nevada, Reno.

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Brianna Andrews

MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS INTERN



Brianna is BEP's new Marketing & Communications Intern and will help promote and support BEP's services and educational workshops.

Brianna is a student at the University of Nevada, Reno pursuing a Bachelor's of Science in Marketing with an emphasis in Entrepreneurship. She has a strong interest in sustainability and a passion for the environment.

Regulatory Information & Updates

Proposed Restricted Use of Perchloroethylene SBA to Hold Small Business Environmental Roundtable August 2, 2023

As [reported previously](#), the US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) has [proposed a rule](#) to restrict the use of perchlorethylene under the Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA) and public comments are due by August 15, 2023.

On August 2, 2023, from 2:00pm - 3:00pm EST, the US Small Business Administration Office of Advocacy will be holding a Small Business Environmental Roundtable to present the proposed rule and provide an overview of issues particularly relevant to small businesses. There will be an opportunity for questions and discussion.

To participate, send your RSVP to tayyaba.zeb@sba.gov. A meeting link will be provided to you when you RSVP.

Hazardous Waste Basics

Under what circumstances does a facility need to complete the US Environmental Protection Agency's [8700-12 form](#), known as the Site Identification Form? Some commonly overlooked circumstances include:

- When ownership of the facility changes or an additional owner has been added
- When the main contact changes
- When your facility moves locations and still conducts activities regulated under RCRA Subtitle C (EPA Identification Numbers are assigned to physical locations, not specific generators)
- When the type of RCRA Subtitle C activity you conduct changes
- When you are either a VSQG or a SQG notifying of a planned or unplanned [episodic event](#)

The Site Identification Form can be completed on paper and mailed in, or it can be completely digitally through [RCRAInfo](#). Are you wondering whether you need to re-notify due to a circumstance at your facility, or need help filling out this form? Contact BEP for confidential assistance at no cost.

e-Manifest News

User Fees for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025

The US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sets user fees based on the manifest usage and processing costs for each manifest type in accordance with its user fee calculation methodology (40 CFR parts 264/265 subpart FF).

The [user fees for fiscal years 2024 and 2025](#) (October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2025) are included below:

Manifest Submission Type/Fee per Manifest

Scanned Image Upload - \$22.00

Data + Image Upload - \$10.00

Electronic Manifest (Fully electronic & hybrid) - \$6.00

Remote Signer Policy

As of February 2023, the EPA has allowed generators, transporters, and receiving facilities to execute electronic signatures on e-Manifest through their employees or contractors who are located remotely from the hazardous waste shipment. The employee or contractor must be registered as a Remote Signer through RCRAInfo. Remote Signers can execute signatures in e-Manifest through two methods.

1. Electronically signing manifests with remote personnel through the e-Manifest interface; and
2. Electronically signing using system-to-system communication.

Would the option to remotely sign your manifest help your business? Create an account in [RCRAInfo](#) and read the policy [here](#).

PFAS: Extended Comment Period

EPA is extending the comment period for the advanced notice of proposed rulemaking, "[Addressing PFAS in the Environment](#)". Public input and data are wanted to assist in the consideration of potential development of future regulations pertaining to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA).

Would the regulation of PFAS impact your business? Submit your public comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OLEM-2022-0922 at www.regulations.gov by August 11, 2023.

Be Prepared for Wildfire Smoke Season

How can you and your employees avoid the effects of wildfire smoke?

While wildfire smoke is composed of several harmful pollutants, such as carbon monoxide and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, the biggest concern is particulate matter (PM). Wildfire smoke contains a large amount of PM 2.5, which is small enough to penetrate deep inside the lungs and even enter the bloodstream.

Some of the most effective ways to reduce exposure are relocating or rescheduling outdoor work, as well as requiring more frequent breaks. If these options do not work, an N95 mask will greatly reduce exposure to harmful pollutants in wildfire smoke. Cloth masks and surgical masks will not provide the same level of protection.

You can check in with local air quality conditions by visiting <https://www.airnow.gov/>. This website provides up to date information on air quality in your area. You can also learn about [Washoe County's](#) and [NDEP's](#) smoke management programs which address local wildfire issues.

Sustainability Corner

Latest Sustainable Nation Podcast

Liliana Esposito from Wendy's

Host Josh Prigge speaks with Liliana Esposito, Chief Corporate Affairs & Sustainability Officer at Wendy's to discuss:

- Defining responsible sourcing and identifying criteria for responsibly sourcing food
- What consumers are looking for in the industry in regards to sustainability
- The process of starting GHG inventories, CDP reporting, and setting science-based targets
- Wendy's "Good done right" goals for food, people and footprint
- Tying sustainability performance to incentives
- Advice and recommendations for sustainability professionals



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Be sure to also check out the full [library](#) of podcasts.

Proposed Expansion of EPA's Safer Choice Program Listening Session/Webinar August 29th

Do you have ideas for expanding the scope of the [Safer Choice](#) Program beyond cleaners and disinfectants?

The US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) recently announced a 45-day public comment period on a proposed expansion of its Safer Choice to include certification of additional product categories. Safer Choice is a voluntary EPA program that helps consumers, businesses, and purchasers find products that perform and meet stringent EPA criteria for effects on human health and the environment (as defined by criteria established by US EPA).

EPA will hold a listening session webinar on August 29, 2023 at 2pm EST, to gather feedback on the certification of additional product categories. [Register here](#). Comments are due on www.regulations.gov by September 11, 2023.

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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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