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News & Updates

USE BEP SERVICES IN 2024!

The BEP team loves helping Nevada businesses achieve compliance with local, state, and federal environmental regulations by offering free and confidential consultations, facility site-visits, workshops, customized training for your staff, and more.

Confused about how to comply with [air quality regulations](#)? From general questions, such as if a generator is small enough to be classified as an insignificant activity, to more complex questions about emissions calculations and permitting requirements, the BEP air team is happy to help. Working one-on-one, BEP helps businesses come into compliance by first learning about your business and the equipment you operate. From this information we can perform calculations to determine what your facility emissions are and, if needed, help fill out permit applications both in the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) jurisdiction as well as the Northern Nevada Public Health (NNPH) jurisdiction. This makes the often daunting process of obtaining permits manageable. We are also available to help your facility submit permit renewals, applicability determinations, determine insignificant activities, and assist with any other general air questions you may have.

Need help managing your [hazardous waste](#)? We are available to assist! Read a recent BEP client testimonial:

"Thank you...for the on-going training, seminars and in-person/zoom guidance on proper management of hazardous waste, RCRA manifest requirements, waste identification and labeling requirements, record-keeping and reporting requirements, training requirements, and more you have been providing. It is a pleasure to have you as an invaluable resource...You are an amazing part of maintaining our compliance."

Additionally, our [Resources Webpage](#) is full of compliance tools, factsheets, workbooks, and more to help your business maintain compliance. Give us a call anytime at 800-882-3233 to get started, or submit a request for assistance [here](#).

Important Small Business Announcement: SBA Deadlines for PPP and COVID EIDL Borrowers

Did you receive a PPP or COVID EIDL loan from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) for under \$100,000? SBA will begin referring defaulted PPP and COVID EIDL borrowers with loans under \$100,000 to the U.S. Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service for collection beginning March 4, 2024. You must apply for PPP loan forgiveness or bring your COVID EIDL loan into good standing before March 3, 2024. After this date, defaulted borrowers may accrue additional non-forgivable fees, fines and face other collections actions.

Nevada SBDC and SBA are here to help

PPP: If you need additional assistance with your PPP direct forgiveness application, contact SBA at 877-552-2692 (Monday-Friday 8am-8pm EST).

COVID EIDL: If you need assistance with your COVID EIDL loan, contact SBA at 833-853-5638 (Monday -Saturday 8am-8pm EST), or email covideidlservicing@sba.gov with your loan or application number and the reason for your request in the subject line.

The Nevada SBDC: NevadaSBDC.org - (800) 240-7094
U.S. Small Business Administration: SBA.gov - (800)-827-5722

Training Opportunities

Upcoming Washoe County Air Quality Workshops

In the month of March the BEP team will be hosting two air quality workshops - on dust control permitting in Washoe County and minor source permitting in Washoe County. See the details below and register soon to reserve your seat!

To learn more about our air quality workshop series, please visit our website's air quality workshop [page](#) and check out our [Events Calendar](#). If you have any questions please contact Zack Rice at zrice@unr.edu.

- March 5, 2024 – Dust Control - [REGISTER](#)
- March 25, 2024 – Minor Source Permitting - [REGISTER](#)
- April 8, 2024 – Dust Control
- April 22, 2024 – Annual Emissions Reporting
- May 6, 2024 – Minor Source Permitting
- May 20, 2024 – Dust Control

- June 10, 2024 – Gas Dispensing Facilities
- June 24, 2024 – Annual Emissions

Washoe County Air Quality Workshop Series

Dust Control Permitting In Washoe County Workshop: March 5th

Who Should Attend:

- Construction companies
- Landscapers
- Contractors
- Consultants

Why Attend:

This workshop will cover:

- Who needs a dust control permit
- Control measures for dust
- Maintaining a dust control permit

Workshop Details:

- **The event will take place March 5th at the UNR Redfield Campus, Room 221**
- The workshop will begin at 10 AM and end at noon.
- There is no cost for the workshop
- Parking is free
- Registration is required

Questions? Contact Zack Rice at (775) 834-3682 or zrice@unr.edu

If you are unable to attend, we will be offering this workshop again on May 20, 2024.

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Washoe County Air Quality Workshop Series

Minor Source Permitting in Washoe County: March 25th

BEP is hosting a Workshop on **Minor Source Permitting in Washoe County**.

Who Should Attend:

- Minor source permittees
- Potential minor source permittees
- Businesses looking to expand or open a new facility in Washoe County
- Consultants

Topics Covered:

- Who needs a permit
- Different permit categories and what permit is needed for each category
- Forms you will need for your application
- How to maintain your permit
- When and how to submit permit modifications

Workshop Details:

- **The event will take place January 24th at the UNR Redfield Campus, Room 224**
- The workshop will begin at 10 AM and end at noon.
- There is no cost for the workshop

- Parking is free
- Registration is required

Questions? Contact Zack Rice at (775) 834-3682 or zrice@unr.edu

If you are unable to attend, we will be offering this workshop again on May 6, 2024.

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Regulatory Information

National Ambient Air Quality Standards Change for Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5)

On February 7, 2024, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) [announced](#) a [final rule](#) which makes changes to the national air quality health standard for fine particulate matter (PM2.5). By setting a stricter standard for the amount of PM2.5 allowed in the air at 9.0 micrograms per cubic meter, the EPA aims to improve public health based on the latest scientific evidence.

However, some standards, like those for PM2.5 over a 24-hour period and PM10, remain the same. The EPA also plans to update the [Air Quality Index](#) to better inform people about the risks of PM2.5 exposure. Additionally, they'll improve monitoring in communities hit hardest by air pollution to better protect their air quality.

Download the [overview](#) and [implementation](#) fact sheets to learn more.

It is unclear how this change will impact Nevada's air quality regulations. In the future this change may mean more stringent regulations including an increase in air pollution control device requirements. When more information on this change comes the BEP team will be sure to keep local businesses informed.

Hazardous Waste Basics

Where can businesses find hazardous waste regulations specific to the State of Nevada?

Nevada largely follows federal RCRA regulations, with some differences. The hazardous waste regulations for Nevada are found starting at [NAC 444.842](#) – 444.976 and [NRS 459.400](#) – 459.600. Look specifically at [NAC 444.86325](#) for a list of exceptions and revisions that differ from federal regulations.

Because Nevada is an adoption by reference state, any federal regulatory changes past July 1, 2018 have not been adopted in Nevada, such as managing aerosol cans as a universal waste, for example.

Compliance Resource: ECHO Tool

Have you heard of EPA's [Enforcement and Compliance History Online tool](#), known as ECHO? You can use ECHO to view a history of your business's compliance and enforcement data for a variety of regulations, including the Clean Air Act (CAA), Clean Water Act (CWA), Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

(RCRA), Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), and the Toxic Release Inventory (TRI). Watch a previously recorded webinar or sign up for an upcoming webinar [here](#) to learn how to use this tool.

2024 Compliance Calendars Now Available

Download our 2024 Hazardous Waste Compliance Calendar! The calendar includes space for your facility to document weekly inspections, staff training, waste determinations, and more. The calendar also contains compliance tips and QR codes to helpful resources to keep your facility in compliance with hazardous waste regulations. Download the calendar [here](#).

The 2024 Dry Cleaner Calendar is also available for download [here](#). If you use perchloroethylene, or perc, as your dry cleaning solvent then this calendar can help you maintain compliance with state and local air quality regulations throughout the year. If you use perc, do not forget to keep an eye on US EPA's proposed 10 year total phase-out for the use of perc in dry cleaning, with compliance dates depending on the type of machine used.

Sustainability Corner

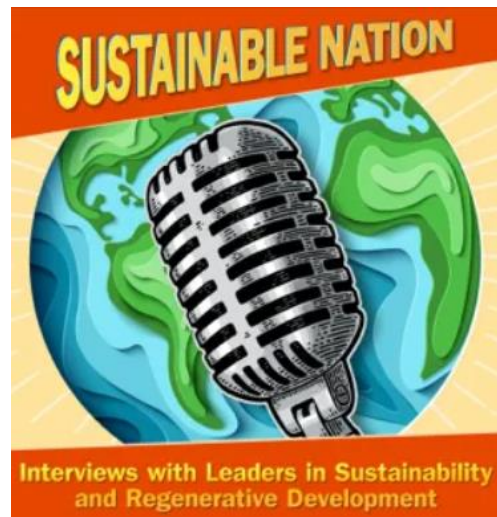
Latest Sustainable Nation Podcast

Thomas Stanchak from Stoneweg US

Host Josh Prigge speaks with Thomas Stanchak, Director of Sustainability at Stoneweg US to discuss:

- Key material ESG issues Stoneweg focuses on
- Stoneweg's approach to collecting quality data
- Evaluation of climate risks and opportunities including climate transition modeling
- How Stoneweg is preparing for electrification in the industry

The Sustainable Nation Podcast is made available through a [partnership](#) with the Nevada Business Environmental Program. Be sure to also check out the full [library](#) of podcasts.



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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.

If you are interested in having BEP visit your business for a free on-site assessment, 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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