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News

Clean Trucks and Buses Incentive Program

NDEP to Hold In-Person and Virtual Workshops on September 23rd to Solicit Comments on the Proposed Rulemaking

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is moving forward with the [Clean Trucks and Buses Incentive Program](#) and is proposing to adopt regulations into NAC 445b relating to the requirements for application. A workshop has been scheduled to solicit comments from persons interested in the amendments.

The workshop will be held on September 23, 2024 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and will be located at the following locations:

Bonnie B. Bryan Boardroom, 1st Floor
901 S. Stewart Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Red Rock Conference Room, Suite 200
375 East Warm Springs Road
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Virtual Meeting Information via Microsoft Teams Join on your computer or mobile app:
Click [here](#) to join the meeting
Call In (audio only): +1 (775) 321-6111, Conference ID: 268 347 727#

For additional information:

<https://ndep.nv.gov/posts/sept-2024-workshop-on-proposed-amendments-to-nac-445b>

Download workshop notice and agenda [HERE](#).

Download the [Draft Proposed Regulation](#)

Reclassification of Major Sources as Area Sources Under Section 112 of the Clean Air Act

On August 30, 2024, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) signed a final action Reviewing the 2020 Reclassification of Major Sources as Area Sources Rule under Section 112 of the Clean Air Act – also known as MM2A. This rule allows a "major source" of hazardous air pollutants (HAP) to reclassify as an "area source" if it limits emissions below specific thresholds (10 tons per year of a single HAP or 25 tons per year of combined HAPs). However, sources emitting persistent and bioaccumulative HAPs must still comply with certain major source standards, even if reclassified. The rule finalizes amendments to National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) and clarifies compliance, notification, and recordkeeping requirements for sources that reclassify or revert to major source status.

[Read](#) the final rule and a summary fact sheet.

[Contact BEP](#) for more information about how this reclassification could affect your facility.

EPA Finalizes Policy for Meaningful Engagement and Public Participation in Agency Decision-Making Processes

On September 5th, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the release of the final [Achieving Health and Environmental Protection Through EPA's Meaningful Engagement Policy](#). The new policy outlines updates on how the agency intends to engage with the public and provide meaningful public participation opportunities in all of its programs and regions.

The policy highlights three steps to help EPA staff design appropriate and effective processes for meaningful engagement and public participation for a particular action or situation including:

1. Understanding EPA actions and key issues the public can inform.
2. Identifying the expected level of participation using EPA's public participation spectrum.
3. Identifying the appropriate engagement tools and practices using EPA's public participation model.

[Learn more](#).

Upcoming Events

NDEP Air Pollution Control Webinar Air Quality Recordkeeping, September 16, 2024

Do you have an air quality operating permit with the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection NDEP? If so, consider registering for the upcoming webinar hosted by NDEP on Monday September 16th from 9AM to 11AM PST. The webinar will include requirements for recordkeeping, and an overview of an Excel template designed for any facility to keep track of records required in your air quality operating permit. Once you are signed up, within a week of the webinar, you will receive an Excel recordkeeping template, a completed template from the webinar, and a guidance document for how to use the template. Register for the webinar [here](#).

If you missed any of the previous air quality webinars from NDEP, recordings are available on [The Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources YouTube Channel](#). Topics include How to Read Your Air Quality Operating Permit, Source Testing, What to Expect During an Inspection, and Enforcement.

Reno Startup Week Begins September 16

This year's [Reno Startup Week](#) is occurring September 16th through September 20th. This week-long event celebrates and promotes the region's entrepreneurial community and startup ecosystem. Through Reno Startup Week, there will be a variety of activities, workshops, discussions, and networking opportunities to foster innovation and collaboration among entrepreneurs of all stages. Register [here](#) today!

Celebrate Pollution Prevention Week, September 16th – 20th

Join in this year's [Pollution Prevention \(P2\) Week](#) by considering the ways your business can reduce, eliminate, or prevent pollution at its source. Whether you're interested in switching to non-toxic products, implementing or improving upon conservation practices, or modifying your production processes, P2 practices will save your business money while also protecting the environment. BEP staff is dedicated to assisting Nevada businesses explore P2 opportunities by providing free technical assistance for your business.

[Contact us](#) today for a consultation!

Upcoming Drive Electric Week Programs

The following [Drive Electric Week](#) programs are coming up for the Southern Nevada Clean Cities Coalition and Clark County All-In:

- [Charge and Chat at Clark County's Downtown Government Center](#): September 24
- Data-Decisions: Tools for Greener Fleets and Lower Costs Webinar: September 25
- [Drive Electric Week Presentations and Ride and Drive at Desert Breeze Community Center](#): September 29
- [Electrification of Heavy-Duty Vehicles Webinar](#): October 2
- Not Just the Kilowatts: Considerations for EV Charging Webinar: October 3

Register for any of the programs here: <https://allinclarkcounty.com/Events>

Register Today for US EPA's Working Sessions on Mid-Format Battery Recycling

The US EPA is hosting a series of four meetings on mid-format battery recycling and collection from September through November, 11AM to 1PM PST. Mid-format batteries are rechargeable batteries

between 11 and 25 pounds and 300 to 2,000 watt-hour ratings. Examples of mid-format batteries include e-bikes, e-scooters, portable power stations, and outdoor power equipment. Register today [here](#) and check out the topics for the working sessions:

- September 12: Current Policies, Practices, and Trends
- October 15: Role of Manufacturers and Retailers in Promoting Safer Collection and Recycling
- October 30: Consumers Information Needs and Safety Concerns
- November 21: Ensuring Safe End-Of-Life Management

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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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