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Latest News



**Call for Project Pitches from the NSF Southwest
Sustainability Innovation Engine**

Deadline: December 6th

The NSF Engines: Southwest Sustainability Innovation Engine (SWSIE) leadership team has announced that the new [Innovation Grant](#) program is now open and accepting project pitches through Friday, December 6, 2024. This funding opportunity is designed to support innovative projects that address critical challenges in sustainability, focusing on solutions in the energy, water, and carbon sectors.

The Innovation Grant is catalyzed by the [NSF Innovation Engines](#) program and provides non-dilutive funding ranging from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to startup companies for projects that have the potential to drive meaningful impact in sustainable technology. The goal is to empower cutting-edge ideas that not only address key environmental challenges but also strengthen the economic and climate resilience of Arizona, Utah, and Nevada.

To apply, visit [Innovation Grant – Southwest Sustainability Innovation Engine](#) to access the application portal and review detailed eligibility criteria, submission guidelines, and additional resources. For questions or additional information, reach out to the SWSIE team at swsie@asu.edu.

Need help? [Contact BEP](#) for help preparing your proposal or just to provide a fresh set of eyes to review your application.

DOE CLEAN CITIES NATIONAL NETWORK NEVADA'S COALITIONS ARE RECOGNIZED

**Helping lead the way for advancing clean transportation in
Nevada!**

Greater Nevada Clean Cities and Communities Coalition Receives DOE Apprentice Recognition

On November 22nd, the US Department of Energy [Clean Cities and Communities](#) officially designated the aspiring Greater Nevada Clean Cities and Communities Coalition (GNC4) as an official "apprentice" coalition. Hosted by the Business Environmental Program at University of Nevada, Reno ([BEP](#)) the coalition has broad support from communities, businesses, and other stakeholders throughout the Greater Nevada region. The apprentice coalition will have access to many useful resources and will begin working towards full coalition status.

Southern Nevada Clean Cities Coalition Granted Full Coalition Status by DOE

The [Southern Nevada Clean Cities Coalition](#) (SNCCC) has graduated from apprentice status and has been fully designated into the [U.S. Department of Energy \(DOE\)](#)'s Clean Cities and Communities Network! BEP Director, Chris Lynch, continues to serve on their Advisory Committee, helping to provide coordinated statewide coverage.

SNCCC, with more than 175 members, is an initiative under [Clark County Department of Environment and Sustainability \(DES\)](#)'s All-In Sustainability & Climate Action Plans. So far, SNCCC has conducted 30 outreach programs reaching more than 1200 people, increasing awareness of sustainable transportation in Clark County.



ChargeWest Work Underway

Nevada BEP, through the Greater Nevada Clean Cities & Communities Coalition, is proud to partner with ChargeWest!

In Nevada, one of the goals of ChargeWest is to ensure there is a charging infrastructure to connect scenic byways and points of interest such as the Lake Tahoe East Shore.

[Learn More.](#)

The objective of [ChargeWest](#)TM is to develop the ChargeWestTM Western Electric Highway Corridor Strategy and create a blueprint for regional collaboration. This framework is designed to connect all roads with modern, resilient, and renewable fuels such as electricity and clean hydrogen. It will drive advanced transportation, infrastructure solutions for rural communities and strategize deployments throughout the region, while also guiding the expansion of electric vehicle infrastructure, promoting advanced clean fuel adoption, and preparing high-traffic freight routes for clean hydrogen and electric charging.

Upcoming Events

Hazardous Waste 101: Register Today for Reno (December 17th), Waitlist for Las Vegas (December 13th)

HAZARDOUS WASTE 101

FREE TRAINING

Learn the basics:

- Waste management
- RCRA manifests
- Waste identification
- Labeling
- Record keeping
- Reporting
- Training
- Cost saving tips

Click or scan to register

Las Vegas
December 13th
9AM-12PM
Business & Industry

Reno
December 17th
9AM-12PM
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Hazardous Waste 101 is a free training where you and your team will learn proper management of hazardous waste, RCRA manifest requirements, waste identification and labeling requirements, recordkeeping and reporting requirements, and training requirements. Throughout the training, BEP will provide tips for cost-saving approaches and resources to help you manage and minimize hazardous waste streams. Registration is required.

Register [here](#) for the Reno course, scheduled for 9AM – 12PM on Tuesday, December 17th at the UNR Redfield Campus.

The Las Vegas course, scheduled for 9AM – 12PM on Friday, December 13th is currently full. Please contact Kat Olson to be added to the waitlist at katolson@unr.edu or 775-834-3674.

Regulatory Tools

NEW! 2025 Hazardous Waste Compliance Calendar

Download BEP's [2025 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 state and federal hazardous waste regulations.

Sustainability Corner

Latest *Sustainable Nation* Podcast

Mary Jane Melendez – Chief Sustainability and Global Impact Officer at General Mills

Host **Josh Prigge** speaks with **Mary Jane Melendez** to discuss:

- General Mills' key sustainability initiatives: Reducing GHG emissions, advancing regenerative agriculture, and recyclable/reusable packaging
- Strategies to engage with farmers to adopt regenerative agriculture
- Getting leadership buy in for SBTI goals
- The importance of partnerships with key stakeholders and peer companies
- Advice and recommendations for sustainability professionals

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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Have You taken Advantage of BEP's Services?

Hazardous Waste Management Assistance

BEP provides a variety of services to help your business with hazardous waste management. On our website you can download hazardous waste [compliance tools](#) and [factsheets](#) full of regulatory information to help you stay in compliance. We offer on-site consultations to businesses located anywhere in Nevada, where we provide a fresh set of eyes on your hazardous waste processes. Unable to attend our annual Hazardous Waste 101 course? No problem – we offer individualized, on-site training for businesses in need of hazardous waste training or more in-depth education on specific topics.

Air Quality Regulatory & Permitting Assistance

BEP offers several free and confidential services to help businesses with navigating air quality regulations. BEP offers free one-on-one meetings to assist air quality permit holders with recordkeeping requirements in addition to assistance with permit applications. Call our hotline number

or email us to set up a phone, Zoom, in-person, or on-site meeting for assistance relating to your air quality operating permit with the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP).

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Contact Us

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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