



State Land Use Planning Advisory Council

MEETING PACKET

Friday April 14, 2023

Carson City, NV

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND AGENDA FOR THE

STATE LAND USE PLANNING ADVISORY COUNCIL

A public meeting will be held on:

Friday April 14, 2023 9:00 AM

At the following location:

**Nevada Association of Counties Office
NACO Conference Room
304 S. Minnesota Street, Carson City, NV 89703**

or

via Zoom at

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Public comment may be submitted via email prior to the meeting, please submit public comments to scarey@lands.nv.gov by 4 PM on April 12, 2023. For questions or additional information, you may contact Scott Carey, State Lands Planner at 775-684-2723 or at scarey@lands.nv.gov.

Please note that times listed are estimates

- 9:00 am 1) Call to Order**
Roll Call of the Council and Introductions of staff & guests.
- 9:05 am 2) Public Comment**
This is an opportunity for the public to provide public comment on any item included on the agenda or any other land use planning and any other related topic not included on the agenda. (Pursuant to NRS 241.020, no action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda).
- 9:10 am 3) Review of Agenda (For Possible Action)**
(Agenda is reviewed for unforeseen circumstances such as the inability of a scheduled speaker to attend, to move an item to a different time during the meeting to accommodate a speaker, etc.)
- 9:15 am 4) Approval of Meeting Minutes (For possible action)**
 - Approval of minutes from the February 3, 2023
- 9:20 am 5) County and Member Planning Updates (For Discussion Only)**
Updates from SLUPAC members on planning and land use related activities within their areas of representation. *Members – State Land Use Planning Advisory Council*
- 10:20 am 6) Nevada Association of Counties Presentation (For Discussion Only)**
The Nevada Associations of Counties (NACO) will provide the Council with a presentation about land use planning and other related issues. *Members - State Land Use Planning Advisory Council*
- 10:45 am 7) Governor’s Office of Economic Development Presentation (For Discussion Only)**
Kris Sanchez, Deputy Director with Governor’s Office of Economic Development will provide the Council with an update on the state’s 5 Year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy and other economic development related issues. *Members - State Land Use Planning Advisory Council*
- 11:30 am 8) Update on Land Use Planning Bills and Other Policy Issues from the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislature. (For Possible Action)**
The Council will review legislation and other policy matters from the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislature. Following the review, the Council may have a discussion on pending legislative matters and provide feedback or take a formal position on proposed legislation.

- 12:00 pm 9) State Land Use Planning Agency Update (For Discussion Only)**
Staff will provide the Council with an update on agency activities, SLUPAC projects, Federal public lands and other legislation, and other issues of interest to the Council.
- 12:15 pm 10) Future Agenda Items (For Possible Action)**
The Council will discuss and recommend items to be placed on a future SLUPAC agenda.
Members – State Land Use Planning Advisory Council
- 12:20 pm 11) Scheduling of Future SLUPAC Meeting Dates and Locations (For Possible Action)**
The Council will discuss and recommend dates and possible locations for future SLUPAC meetings. Traditionally, the Council has met four times in a year and has held its meetings in various geographic areas throughout the State. *Members – State Land Use Planning Advisory Council*
- 12:25 pm 12) Public Comment**
This is an opportunity for the public to provide public comment on any item included on the agenda or any other land use planning and any other related topic not included on the agenda. (Pursuant to NRS 241.020, no action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda).
- 12:30 pm 13) Adjourn (For Possible Action)**
Members – State Land Use Planning Advisory Council

PLEASE NOTE:

(I) Times listed for all items are estimates.

(II) Items on the agenda may be taken out of order at the discretion of the Chair; the public body may combine two or more items for consideration; and the public body may remove an item or defer discussion of an item on the agenda at any time.

(III) Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the meeting are requested to notify Scott Carey in writing at the Nevada Division of State Lands, 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 5003, Carson City, Nevada 89701 or by calling 775-684-2723 no later than April 12, 2023.

(IV) Meeting minutes and recordings of the meeting are available for inspection by the public within 30 working days after the adjournment of the meeting, the minutes and recordings are retained for at least five years in accordance with NRS 241.035(2).

(V) In accordance with Attorney General File No. 00-047 (April 27, 2001), as restated in the Attorney General's Open Meeting Law Manual, the Chair may limit or prohibit comments that are willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

(VI) Documentation and supporting agenda items are available on the Nevada State Clearinghouse Website at <https://clearinghouse.nv.gov> and on the SLUPAC Meeting website at <http://lands.nv.gov/land-use-planning/state-land-use-planning-advisory-council/slupac-meeting-agendas-and-minutes> and will be available at the SLUPAC meeting. For further information you may contact Scott Carey at 775-684-2723 or at scarey@lands.nv.gov.

Notice of this meeting was posted at the following locations:

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Division of State Lands, 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 5003, Carson City, NV 89701

Nevada State Library and Archives, 100 N Stewart St, Carson City, NV 89701

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STATE LAND USE PLANNING ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

February 3, 2023
Nevada State Museum, Las Vegas
Nevada Room
309 South Valley View Blvd, Las Vegas, NV

Members Present

Jake Tibbitts, Eureka County (Chair)
Lorinda Wichman, Nye County (Vice Chair)
Hope Sullivan, Carson City
Jim Barbee, Churchill County
Sami Real, Clark County
Maureen Casey, Douglas County
Wilde Brough, Elko County
De Winsor, Esmeralda County
Mark Evatz, Humboldt County
Wallace "JR" Thomas, Lander County
Mike Reese, Lincoln County
Wes Henderson, Lyon County
Cassie Hall, Mineral County
Roger Mancebo, Pershing County
Kathy Canfield, Storey County
Jeanne Herman, Washoe County
Janet VanCamp, White Pine County
Jacob Brinkerhoff, Nevada Association of Counties

Members Absent

Marla McDade Williams, Nevada Indian Commission
Charlene Bybee, Nevada League of Cities & Municipalities

Others Present

Tammi Tiger, Nevada Indian Commission
David Pritchett, U.S. Bureau of Land Management
Kristie Boatner, U.S. Forest Service
Megan Labadie, Nye County
Clifford Banuelos, Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Jeremy Drew, Resource Concepts Inc.
Jaina Moan, The Nature Conservancy
Kris Sanchez, Governor's Office of Economic Development
Marco Velotta, City of Las Vegas
Alex Tanchek, Silver State Government Relations
Laena St Jules, Office of Attorney General
Charlie Donohue, Nevada Division of State Lands
Ellery Stahler, Nevada Division of State Lands
Scott Carey, Nevada Division of State Lands

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by **Jake Tibbitts** at 9:01 am. A roll call was held for members of Council and a quorum was established. Introductions were made by others who were present.

2) Public Comment

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State Land Use Planning Agency
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Carson City, NV 89701

Telephone: (775) 684-2723
www.lands.nv.gov/land-use-planning

Jake Tibbitts called for public comment.

Jaina Moan with the Nature Conservancy provided a public comment about the Power of Place-West report recently released by the organization.

Jake Tibbitts called for any additional public comment, there was none. The public comment period was closed.

3) Review of the Agenda

Mike Reese made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by **Lorinda Wichman**. There was no discussion on the motion. There was no opposition to the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

4) Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mike Reese made a motion to approve the June 3, 2022; August 19, 2022; and November 10, 2022 meeting minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by **Jim Barbee**. There was no discussion on the motion. There was no opposition to the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

Hope Sullivan abstained from voting on the November 10, 2022 meeting minutes because she was not present at this meeting.

5) Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2023

Jim Barbee made a motion to elect **Jake Tibbitts** as Chair for a one-year term ending on February 3, 2024. The motion was seconded by **Lorinda Wichman**. There was no discussion on the motion. There was no opposition to the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

Roger Mancebo made a motion to elect **Lorinda Wichman** as Vice Chair for a one-year term ending on February 3, 2024. The motion was seconded by **Jim Barbee**. There was no opposition to the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

6) Election of One Member to Serve on the SLUPAC Executive Council

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands provided an overview of the staff memo for this item and that was included as page 33 of the [meeting packet](#). Scott also provided an overview of the duties of the SLUPAC Executive Council and the need to find a new member to represent Northeastern Nevada.

Mike Reese made a motion to appoint Wilde Brough to the Executive Council for the remainder of a two-year term ending on June 3, 2024. The motion was seconded by **Jim Barbee**. There was no discussion on the motion. There was no opposition to the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

7) County and Member Planning Updates

Jake Tibbitts, Eureka County

Jake stated that the county operates several water systems throughout the county that are maintained separately. He stated that the County Commission has directed staff to consolidate the operations of these water systems into a single administrative entity and conduct a rate structure. He stated that the county is currently participating as a cooperating agency in 5 or 6 active mining projects and is busy following other NEPA permitting processes for other projects around the county.

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands asked if there was an update on the proposed fish farm in the county.

Jake Tibbitts stated that the county has seen some interest in collocating a fish farm with a mining project last year, but the project is still in the conceptual phase and he does not have any new information to share.

Mark Evatz, Humboldt County

Mark provided the Council with an overview of his professional background and experience with the county. He stated that the county has made progress in updating its public lands plan and that the plan was recently approved at a County Commission meeting. He stated that the county is working towards establishing a Public Lands and Natural Resources Advisory Committee to help inform and assist the County Commission dealing with public land issues. He also stated that the county is looking at creating a countywide weed collaborative to help control and eliminate noxious weeds in the county.

Wallace “JR” Thomas, Lander County

JR stated that a commercial rail project and a new paved racetrack has been proposed for Battle Mountain that could bring additional business and visitors to the county. He stated that the county has also received a proposal for a hydrogen gas plant that would be located near Battle Mountain.

Hope Sullivan stated that in Carson City and throughout the state, local governments have been seeing new economic development projects that have unusual and new public safety and fire impacts. Hope asked if Lander County has evaluated any potential public safety and fire impacts from the proposed hydrogen power plant.

Wallace “JR” Thomas stated that according to the project developers the hydrogen plant would be colocated with a solar plant and that it would use a county well for the water needed to create the hydrogen gas. JR stated that if there was an incident and if the plant exploded the damage would be contained within the project area.

Mike Reese, Lincoln County

Mike stated that the county is reviewing a proposal to make bio-fuel out of pinyon and juniper trees in the county. He stated that the developers of this project are undertaking time and motion research based on acreage to produce diesel and jet fuels. He stated that researchers from around the world have been coming to the county recently to conduct research. He also stated that this project is a high priority for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to manage biofuels and invasive species across the west.

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands asked Mike about his recent role and work with Governor Lombardo’s transition team.

Mike Reese stated that he was selected by Governor Lombardo to serve as the Chairman of the Environment, Public Lands, and Wildlife Committee for the Governor’s transition team. He stated that in this role the Committee developed a report that advised the Governor on many public lands, natural resource and wildlife issues.

Wes Henderson, Lyon County

Wes stated that Andrew Haskin has been appointed as the new County Manager. He stated that recently there was a rockslide on State Route 208 that closed the highway in both directions. He added that NDOT continues to work on the clean up for the highway but the timeline to reopen the road is unknown. He stated that the county continues to see a lot of development activity with Microsoft purchasing land, along with new RV parks planned near the Silver Springs airport and one in Yerington. He stated that US Forest Service is currently being sued to require that service to get approval by the Environmental Protection Agency to use any fire retardant.

Cassie Hall, Mineral County

Cassie stated that she has recently been named as the Chair of the Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) Public Lands and Natural Resources Subcommittee. She stated that county is following the environmental review of the Lunning Solar plant expansion project. She stated that she is excited have the Lyon and Mineral

County Resource Advisory Council's (RAC) join the Rural RAC. She stated that the county is working with the Walker Basin Conservation and other groups to develop economic and recreation projects at Walker Lake. She stated that the county recently received a grant is working on another grant to develop trails and new recreation areas at the lake.

Lorinda Wichman, Nye County

Lorinda stated that the county is the process of developing a rate study for the utilities it manages. She stated that the county is currently tracking 87 renewable energy projects along the US 95 corridor that will impact Nye County. She stated that the County Commission has implemented a 6-month moratorium on renewable energy projects within the county. She stated that the county recently implemented a new ordinance that requires a Special Use Permit for any commercial renewable energy project within the county. She stated that the county is working on amending this ordinance to require a development agreement for commercial renewable energy projects.

She stated that there are currently over 100 petitions to buy mining patents throughout the county. She stated that processing these patents has proved challenging due to confusing language within state law and is working closely with the District Attorney to implement a process to process these patents. She stated that county has also seen dozens of new mining permits be submitted. She stated that many of these permits are for lithium mining projects and that the county continues to struggle with processing these projects because of the lack of water. She stated that the county is working on update to the public lands element of its master plan. She stated that county has proposed an alternative to NASA's proposed land withdrawal in the Railroad Valley but has not heard back from NASA on its proposed alternative.

Roger Mancebo, Pershing County

Roger stated that the county is very encouraged about the snowpack in Elko County and have high hopes for increased water delivery for the farmers who rely on the Rye Patch reservoir. He stated that the two new truck stops in the county continue to move forward. He stated that Couer Rochester mining project has attracted over 400 contractors and the company is about a year away from finishing up the revitalization of its mine.

Jacob Brinkerhoff asked if the county has become a cooperating agency for the BLM's Sage Grouse amendment and if they still needed NACO's support for this project.

Roger Mancebo stated that he is unaware if the county has become a cooperating agency for this project but that he will find out and get back to Jacob.

Jake Tibbitts asked if there was an update on the fish farm project in the county.

Roger Mancebo stated that construction is planned to begin in March and that its his understanding that the company has obtained the permits and financing needed to begin construction. He stated that the farm when in operation will produce salmon from the Atlantic Ocean.

Kathy Canfield, Storey County

Kathy stated that the county is getting ready to start work on the update to its master plan. She stated that it's been 7 years since that county's last master plan update. She stated that the county is working on drainage area master planning for the Virginia City and 6 Mile Canyon areas. She stated that the county is also working on a flood mitigation project for the Lockwood area to increase safety in the community during flooding events. She stated that the county has become a cooperating agency for the Greenlink West project and has provided comments to the BLM on the preliminary assessments. She stated that it appears many areas of the project have not been analyzed for impacts within Storey County and that a new 600 ft wide utility corridor has been proposed across the middle of the county. She stated that new construction continues at the Tahoe-Reno Industrial Center.

Jake Tibbitts asked about Tesla Motors recently announcing a new semi-truck manufacturing plant adjacent to the existing Gigafactory.

Kathy Canfield stated that the county has not met with Telsa Motors about this project but its her understanding that new semi-truck manufacturing plant is going to be next to the Gigafactory.

Hope Sullivan asked if the Storey County was going to update its master plan using consultants or if it was going complete this update in house with staff.

Kathy Canfield stated that county is going to discuss next week whether the master plan is going to be done in house or using consultants.

Jeanne Herman, Washoe County

Jeanne stated that the county is missing RV parks and other mobile housing stock for workers and new residents moving to the county. She stated that the county continues to work on the update to its master plan and that it expects to complete the update over the next several months. She stated that proposed geothermal plant in Gerlach by Ormat does not seem to be what the company previously told the residents of the community. She stated that the County Commission planned to discuss this project in March.

Janet VanCamp, White Pine County

Janet stated that Cave Lake was been drawn down to allow for repairs to the lake during the upcoming summer season. She added that Cave Lake is used by the community throughout the year and residents are excited to see the lake be reopened. She stated that the Garnet Hill and Eagen Crest Hill trail improvement project continues to move which upon completion will create new motorized and non-motorized trails and other recreational enhancements. She stated that town of Baker has received a grant for its sage brush discovery trail project which will be completed over three phases and ultimately create a new trail from Baker to Great Basin National Park. She stated that the county is preparing for the solar eclipse that will pass over White Pine County in October of this year. She stated that they county is expecting increased tourism for visitors who will be coming to the county to view the solar eclipse.

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands asked if there was any update on the White Pine Pumped Storage Energy Project.

Janet VanCamp stated that she does not have and update on this project but understands that the developer is pursing permitting at this time.

Tammi Tiger, Nevada Indian Commission

Marla McDade Williams was not able to attend this meeting, Tammi Tiger provided the Nevada Indian Commission update to the Council.

Tammi stated that that Commission is working on its AB 264 Tribal Consultation Policy. She stated that this policy is a follow up from legislation that was approved in 2019 and is intended to improve communication and collaboration between Tribal Nations and State Agencies. She stated that the Commission has been working since 2020 to seek input on the proposed policy and is looking to adopt the policy later this year.

Jacob Brinkerhoff, Nevada Association of Counties

Jacob stated that NACO is gearing up for the upcoming legislative session and is getting ready to engage on natural resource related issues on behalf of its members. He stated that NACO has become a cooperating agency on the update the 368 Energy Corridors project and the BLM's update to the special use permitting process for large OHV and off-road racing events. He stated that NACO is working on submitting scoping comments for the BLM 2023 Western Solar Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement.

Hope Sullivan, Carson City

Hope stated that Carson City has noticed a slowdown of single-family residential development and an increase in multi-family projects. She stated that Carson City is beginning to work on the update of its master plan. She asked for any input or advice from anyone who has recently undergone a master plan update.

Jim Barbee, Churchill County

Jim stated that the county recently approved two new developments in Fallon. He stated that one is a single family and multi family housing project comprised of 690 units, the other is a multi-family housing project comprised of 460 units. He stated that the county is seeing continued interest in business development in the Hazen area. He stated that the county is engaged with the land management and the implementation of the Fallon Range Training Complex which was authorized by Congress in December. He stated that the county has received about 14,000 acres of direct conveyance from the BLM for economic development, 9,000 acres for recreational multi-purpose gravel pits, and about 50,000 acres of lands for checkerboard resolution.

Sami Real, Clark County

Sami stated that the county continues to work on the update to its zoning ordinance and hopes to release a final draft within the next month. She stated that the county updated its master plan in 2021 and used an outside consultant to help update both the master plan and zoning code. She stated that the county is working with interested parties to develop affordable housing and working to properly site these projects according to the county's zoning code. She stated that the county is also tracking several new renewable energy projects. She stated that it has come to the county's attention that the State of California is not going to meet its energy demands. She expressed concern about what this may mean for counties along the California border and that it may lead to more energy projects within the county.

Hope Sullivan asked if Clark County has seen a rise in the conversion of hotels into affordable housing units.

Sami Real stated that the county has seen a rise in these conversations but that the county usually finds out about the conversations after they take place through code violations. She stated that this is ongoing issue for the county and that it is working to improve the coordination of these conversations throughout the county and with other agencies.

Maureen Casey, Douglas County

Maureen stated that Mono County, California recently approved a 10-acre cannabis farm along the Douglas County border. She stated that this project is a concern for the county because it does not permit cannabis farming and the project is located south of Topaz Lake. She expressed concern that the county was not notified of this project by Mono County and that residents only learned of this project by viewing a noticing sign on the property. She stated that the county is concerned about the incompatibility of this use because it is not allowed in the county and this project will be drawing water from the Walker River watershed. She stated that there appears to be a severe lack of communication between counties that border Nevada on land use planning issues. She asked if other counties around the state have a system that allows for notification between projects that are located other states but take place on the border. She suggested that it may make for a good future agenda item for the council to discuss how to work collaboratively with adjacent counties in other states and create a notification system for land use planning projects that impact Nevada.

Wilde Brough, Elko County

Wilde stated that the county has received more the third highest ever level snow as of February 1st. He stated that event center with the Boys and Girls Club in Elko continues to move forward and that the overall budget for the project is around \$55 million. He stated that county is making plans for a new judicial center on lands that it has purchased located east of the existing courthouse in Elko. He stated that thanks to recent efforts by the BLM, the County may begin to see some progress on the wild horse issue throughout the county. He stated that the overpopulation of wild horses has led to a decrease in winter range vegetation which has greatly decreased

the population of mule deer in the county. He stated that he is unaware of any large-scale energy project within the county but that there is a large-scale solar project planned for north of Jackpot within Elko.

De Winsor, Esmeralda County

De stated that the county is awaiting approval of permits from the BLM for new mines. He stated that the biggest issue that county continues to deal with is the availability of water which has hampered new development throughout the county. He stated that the county expects the new Loves truck stop in Tonopah to finish construction after the winter.

8) City of Las Vegas Presentation

Marco Velotta with the City of Las Vegas provided a [presentation](#) to the Council about the Las Vegas 2050 Master Plan and other planning & development related issues within the city.

9) Renewable Energy Development in Nevada Update and Approval of Scoping Comment Letter for BLM 2023 Western Solar Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands provided an overview of the renewable energy development and other resources to track these development that were included as pages 73-76 of the [meeting packet](#).

Scott also provided an overview of the proposed scoping comment letter that was included as pages 79-81 of the [meeting packet](#).

During the meeting the Council made several modifications to the proposed letter.

Mike Reese made a motion to approve the letter with the changes as discussed at the meeting and authorize the Chair to sign the letter of behalf of the Council. The motion was seconded by **Lorinda Wichman**. There was no discussion on the motion. There was no opposition to the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

10) Public Hearing for Executive Order 2023-003 and Review of SLUPAC Regulations

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands provided an overview of the staff memo and Executive Order 2023-003 which was included as pages 82-86 of the [meeting packet](#).

Scott stated that Governor Lombardo's order directed the freezing of new regulations and required a review of existing regulations by all executive branch agencies, departments, boards and commissions. Section 1 of the order directs each State board or commission by May 1st to provide a report to the Governor's Office detailing how the regulation subject to its enforcement can be streamlined, clarified, reduced or otherwise improved to ensure those regulations provide for the general welfare of the State without unnecessarily inhibiting economic growth. He stated section 3 of the order requires each State board or commission to hold a public hearing to vet & solicit input on any recommended changes to its regulations, and to identify any regulatory changes stakeholders feel are worthy of consideration. This section also directs that any stakeholder input be included in the report submitted to the Governor's Office.

Scott stated that the Council does not have any regulations that have been adopted under the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). He stated that it is staff's interpretation, that the main intent of the Executive Order 2023-003 is to streamline and increase the efficiency of all existing regulations by all executive branch agencies, departments, boards and commissions. He stated that staff recommends that the Council have a discussion on its regulations and hold a public hearing to solicit input on any regulatory.

There were no recommendations provided by the Council to streamline, clarify, or reduce any of its regulations.

Jake Tibbitts opened the public hearing for any stakeholders or members of the public to provide recommendations to streamline, clarify, or reduce any of the Council's regulations. There was no public or stakeholder comments received, and the public hearing period was closed.

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands stated that prior to the meeting, staff did not receive any recommendations from stakeholders or members of the public to streamline, clarify, or reduce any of the Council's regulations. Scott stated that staff will prepare and submit a report to the Governor's Office on behalf of the Council prior to May 1st as required by Executive Order 2023-003.

11) State Land Use Planning Agency Update

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands provided an update of the State Land Use Planning Agency that was included as pages 87-90 of the [meeting packet](#).

12) Future Agenda Items

Jake Tibbitts requested a future agenda item for a presentation from the Governor's Office of Economic Development. Jake also suggested a future agenda items to discuss interstate coordination on land use planning projects and issues, a presentation on the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislation, a presentation from the Nevada Department of Wildlife on the draft AB 211 regulations, and a presentation from Andy Reiber on how to develop effective public land policy plans.

Lorinda Wichman suggested a future agenda item about the Tri-County weed management district.

13) Scheduling of Future SLUPAC Meeting Dates and Locations

Scott Carey with the Nevada Division of State Lands stated that staff would like to schedule the remaining three Council meetings for the year. Scott stated that staff was looking to schedule the next Council meeting sometime in around late April. He also suggested to schedule future Council meetings in late July or early August, and on Wednesday October 18th in Stateline in conjunction with the Nevada State Planning Conference.

Jake Tibbitts suggested the next Council meeting to be held on Friday April 14, 2023 in Carson City. Jake also suggested a future Council meeting on Friday August 4, 2023 in Eureka.

The consensus of the Council was to hold the next meeting at 9:00 AM on Friday April 14, 2023, in Carson City, followed by next meeting on Friday August 4, 2023 in Eureka, and the last meeting of the year on Wednesday October 18th in Stateline.

14) Public Comment

Jake Tibbitts called for public comment. There was no public comment, and the public comment period was closed.

15) Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Carey

/s/

Meeting Recorder

Please note that minutes should be considered draft minutes pending their approval at a future meeting of the State Land Use Planning Advisory Council. Corrections and changes could be made before approval.

The meeting was digitally recorded. Meeting minutes and recordings of the meeting are available for inspection by the public within 30 working days after the adjournment of the meeting, the minutes and recordings are retained for at least five years in accordance with NRS 241.035(2). Anyone wishing to receive or review the recording may call (775) 684-2723.



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April 14, 2023

To: State Land Use Planning Advisory Council

From: Scott Carey, AICP, State Lands Planner

RE: Update on Land Use Planning Bills and Other Policy Issues from the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislature

Background

Staff has been monitoring legislation during the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislature that began on February 6th and will run till June 5th. Staff has been tracking proposed bills and other policy matters being discussed at the Legislature related to land use planning, zoning, and natural resource issues. The Agency would like to extend its appreciation to Marco Velotta of the City of Las Vegas and Professional Development Officer for the Nevada Association of the American Planning Association (APA). The Agency is closely coordinating its bill tracking efforts this session again with the APA and DCNR leadership to keep a list of bills that are of interest to the Agency. A copy of the Agency's BDR list is attached to this memo.

At the meeting staff will provide the Council broad overview of the following land use planning related bills for the Council.

Bill #	Sponsor	Summary	Topic	Status
AB 10	City of Las Vegas	Authorizes the designation of a tax increment area for certain transportation and housing reinvestment purposes.	Housing / Transportation	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 71	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural	Creates 2023-2024 interim study relating to environmental justice.	Creates a working group to review environmental justice issues	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.

	Resources (NRS 218E.320)			
AB 131	Assemblywoman Cohen	Revises provisions governing urban forestry.	Environment	Passed Assembly. In Seante Natural Resources.
AB 213	Assemblywoman Jauregui	Revises provisions governing residential zoning.	Land Use	In Assembly Commerce and Labor. Hearing Held.
AB 220	Assembly Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to water conservation.	Water	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
AB 312	Assemblywoman Sarah Peters	Revises provisions governing environmental justice. Stand up an EJ committee to establish EJ metrics which would be used to conduct EJ Impact Assessment on regulations – similar to the small business impact assessments currently required by law.	Environment	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 314	Assemblywoman Gallant	Revises provisions governing local government licensure and regulation of home-based businesses.	Business	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
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SB 169	Joint Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions governing master plans adopted by certain local governments.	Environment	Passed Committee. To Senate Floor.
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Following staff's overview of these land use planning bills, members of the Council are encouraged to share other bills or policy matters with the rest of the Council. The Council may also engage in discussion on other issues and share any insight on potential impacts from proposed legislation. Following the discussion, the Council if desired, is authorized to take a formal position on any proposed legislation being considered during the legislative session.

Recommendation: *Staff recommends that the Council review the information provided and have a discussion on legislation and other policy matters during the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislation.*

SLUPA Bill Tracker

BDR/Bill	Requestor	Summary	Notes	Status
Assembly Natural Resource and Land Use Planning Bills				
AB 1	Esmeralda County	Revises provisions related to the funding of solid waste management operations.	Environment	In Assembly Revenue. Hearing Held.
AB 4	Nevada League of Cities	Provides for an accounting of unfunded mandates on local governments.	Government Administration	In Assembly Government Affairs
AB 10	City of Las Vegas	Authorizes the designation of a tax increment area for certain transportation and housing reinvestment purposes.	Housing / Transportation	In Assembly Government Affairs
AB 14	Lieutenant Governor	Revises provisions relating to state and local business licensing.	Economic Development	In Assembly Judiciary
AB 19	Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to water.	Expands eligibility to federally recognized Indian tribes to apply for Channel Clearance funding and to apply to be a state water right surveyor w/out being a licensed professional engineer or land surveyor on equal footing with the federal government	Passed Assembly Floor. In Senate Natural Resources.
AB 20	DIVISION OF Environmental Protection of the State Department of Conservation and	Revises provisions related to water.	Aligns the Nevada SRF programs with federal eligibility allowances	In Assembly Natural Resources

AB 34	DIVISION OF WATER Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	Makes various changes relating to water.	Revises noticing requirements and removes requirements that certain water right maps be submitted in mylar or linen material	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held
AB 39	State Contractors' Board	Prohibits certain provisions in a contract for improvements to a single-family residence.	Government Administration	In Assembly Commerce and Labor. Hearing Held
AB 46	Office of Historic Preservation of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	Makes various changes relating to historical markers.	Assigns marker maintenance and construction responsibilities to state agencies or divisions of the state that currently have markers located on land they manage; clarifies SHPO's role in the program	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 47	Nevada Association of Counties	Revises provisions relating to off-highway vehicles.	Removes existing 2-mile limit on OHV trail connectors to enable local governments to establish their own limits within their communities	Passed Assembly Floor. In Senate Growth and Infrastructure.
AB 52	Attorney General	Makes various changes related to the Open Meeting Law.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 58	Nevada League of Cities	Revises provisions related to the Nevada Air Service Development Commission.	Government Administration	In Assembly Ways and Means.
AB 60	Nevada League of Cities	Revises provisions governing neighborhood improvement districts.	Government Administration	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held

AB 62	Advisory Committee on Housing	Revises provisions governing property tax exemptions for low-income housing projects.	Housing	In Assembly Revenue. Hearing Held.
AB 71	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources (NRS 218F.220)	Creates 2023-2024 interim study relating to environmental justice.	Creates a working group to review environmental justice issues	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 102	Assemblyman Watts	Revises provisions governing wildlife.	Environment	In Assembly Natural Resources
AB 103	Assemblywoman Dickman	Revises provisions relating to states of emergency or declarations of disaster proclaimed by the Governor.	Emergency Management	In Assembly Government Affairs.
AB 104	Assemblywoman Dickman	Revises provisions governing the submission of legislative measures for city charters.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 112	Joint Committee on Natural Resources	Establishes and funds account to create and maintain wildlife crossings.	Environment	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 131	Assemblywoman Cohen	Revises provisions governing urban forestry.	Environment	Passed Assembly. In Senate Natural Resources.
AB 135	Joint Comm. on Health and Human Services	Revises provisions relating to homelessness.	Homelessness	In Assembly Health and Human Services. Hearing Held.
AB 136	Joint Comm. on Health and Human Services	Revises provisions governing qualified residential treatment programs. Allows such programs to be included as child care institutions.	Land Use	Passed Assembly. In Senate Health and Human Services.

AB 139	Assemblywoman Brittney Miller	Revises provisions governing certain demographic information	Demographics	In Assembly Government Affairs
AB 143	Assemblyman O'Neill	Revises provisions governing the transfer of certain land by a county.	Government Administration / Land Use	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 162	Assemblywoman Gorelow	Establishes provisions governing the use of pesticides containing certain chemicals.	Environment	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
AB 177	Assemblyman Gurr	Revises provisions governing parcel datasets.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 186	Assemblywoman Kasama	Makes various changes governing the provision of water at food establishments. Prohibits the serving of water in restaurants unless requested.	Water	In Assembly Health and Human Services
AB 189	Assemblywoman Jauregui	Revises provisions governing construction start times.	Nuisance / Land Use	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 191	Assemblyman Delong	Makes various changes to Nevada water law.	Water	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 204	Assemblywoman Hansen	Revises provisions governing mill sites.	Environment	In Assembly Natural Resources
AB 213	Assemblywoman Jauregui	Revises provisions governing residential zoning.	Land Use	In Assembly Commerce and Labor. Hearing Held.
AB 214	Assemblywoman Anderson	Revises provisions governing certain regional transportation commissions.	Transportation	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.

AB 219	Assemblywoman Considine	Makes various changes to the Open Meeting Law.	Government Administration	In Assembly Government Affairs Hearing Held.
AB 220	Assembly Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to water conservation.	Water	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
AB 221	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources (NRS 218E.320)	Authorizes the Nevada Department of Wildlife to manage nonpest insects.	Wildlife	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
AB 312	Assemblywoman Sarah Peters	Revises provisions governing environmental justice. Stand up an EJ committee to establish EJ metrics which would be used to conduct EJ Impact Assessment on regulations – similar to the small business impact assessments currently required by law.	Environment	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 314	Assemblywoman Gallant	Revises provisions governing local government licensure and regulation of home-based businesses.	Business	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 424	Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (NRS 218E.555)	Provides for the release of the next phase of bonds to carry out Nevada's portion of the Environmental Improvement Program for Lake Tahoe for the 2023 2025 biennium.	Environment	Passed Committee. To Assembly Floor.
AB 239	Legislative Commission	Makes various changes relating to state boards and commissions; requires bodies to submit lists to fill vacancies reflecting Nevada's diversity	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.

AB 243	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections (NRS 218E.320)	Revises provisions relating to interim committees. Statutory changes to the Subcommittee on Public Lands related to alternates	Government Administration	Passed Committee. To Assembly Floor.
AB 261	Assembly Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to water. Ties water use to Economic Development.	Water	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
AB 263	Assemblyman Watts	Revises provisions relating to water quality.	Environment / Water	Passed Committee. To Assembly Floor.
AB 266	Assemblywoman Torres	Revises provisions relating to public notices.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 298	Assemblywoman Jauregui	Revises provisions governing housing.	Housing	In Assembly Commerce and Labor. Hearing Held.
AB 310	Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno	Revises provisions governing affordable housing.	Housing	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 312	Assemblywoman Peters	Revises provisions governing environmental justice. Stand up an EJ committee to establish EJ metrics which would be used to conduct EJ Impact Assessment on regulations – similar to the small business impact assessments currently required by law.	Environment	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 313	Assemblywoman Peters	Revises provisions relating to mining reclamation	Mining	In Assembly Natural Resources.

AB 314	Assemblywoman Gallant	Revises provisions governing the regulation of home-based businesses by counties, cities and towns.	Zoning / Land Use	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 315	Assemblywoman Hardy	Establishes various provisions relating to geothermal energy. Creates the Geothermal Energy Systems Demonstration Program. Commissions an interim geothermal study. Also requires Governor's Office of Energy to coordinate with local governments to develop best practices for geothermal development permitting.	Energy	In Assembly Committee on Growth and Infrastructure. Hearing Held.
AB 325	Assemblyman O'Neill	Revises provisions relating to water.	Water	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 327	Assemblywoman Considine	Revises provisions governing real property.	Property	In Assembly Commerce and Labor. Hearing Held.
AB 333	Assemblywoman Duran	Revises provisions governing housing authorities.	Housing	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 340	Assemblywoman Summers-Armstrong	Revises provisions governing certain actions and proceedings relating to real property.	Property	Passed Committee. To Assembly Floor.
AB 349	Assembly Minority Leader	Establishes the Nevada Fish and Wildlife Conservation Foundation.	Environment	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.
AB 359	Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno	Revises provisions governing highway funding in Nevada. Allows for fuel tax in Clark County to be annually increased by County Commission after July 1, 2027.	Transportation	In Assembly Revenue. Hearing Held.

AB 362	Assemblywoman Thomas	Residential Landlord and Tenant Act. Requires the Housing Division to annually calculate and publish a cost-of-living increase; establishing certain requirements relating to increases in rent; providing certain remedies for a violation of certain requirements relating to increases in rent; revising provisions relating to notices of increases in rent; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Housing	In Assembly Commerce and Labor.
AB 387	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources (NRS 218E.320)	Revises provisions related to water. Clarify the processes and authority for the conjunctive management of surface and groundwater basins, including, without limitation, the public notification processes, appeals processes, and the role of science in modifying management practices within such basins	Water	Passed Committee. To Assembly Floor.
AB 392	Assemblywoman Kasama	Revises provisions governing housing.	Housing	In Assembly Commerce and Labor. Hearing Held.
AB 416	Assemblywoman Shondra Summers-Armstrong	Provides an exemption from property taxation for accessory dwelling units leased to certain tenants.	Housing	In Senate Committee on Revenue.
AB 423	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs	Revises provisions governing meetings of public bodies.	Government Administration	In Assembly Government Affairs.
AB 424	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs	Revises provisions relating to the issuance of bonds for environmental improvement projects in the Lake Tahoe Basin.	Environment	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
AB 426	Assembly Committee on Growth & Infrastructure	Revises provisions governing special event advertising.	Signage	Passed Committee. To Assembly Floor.

AB 429	Assemblyman Gurr	Revises provisions governing economic development. Appropriation to Nevada Air Service Development Corporation.	Economic Development	In Assembly Revenue.
AJR 3	Assemblywoman Peters	AJR: Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution relating to the protection of certain environmental rights.	Constitutional amendment known as the Green Amendment to enshrine protections of natural resources in the constitution.	In Assembly Legislative Operations and Elections. Hearing Held.
ACR 5	Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (NRS 218E.555)	Expresses support for the Lake Tahoe Transportation Action Plan. The describes project benefits, considerations for climate change and equity, and project cost estimates accompanied by a funding strategy. The Action Plan will accelerate the implementation of transportation projects in the Lake Tahoe Basin using an endorsed multisector funding strategy across local/private, state, and federal partners.	Environment	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
Senate Natural Resource and Land Use Planning Bills				
SB 10	State Treasurer	Revises provisions related to the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank.	Public Works	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure. Hearing Held
SB 11	Nevada League of Cities	Revises provisions governing the operation of unmanned aerial vehicles by local governments.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.
SB 12	City of Reno	Makes various changes to the Reno City Charter.	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 13	Department of Agriculture	Revises provisions governing the control of pests, noxious weeds and pesticides.	Nuisance	Passed Senate Floor. In Assembly Natural Resources.
SB 16	City of Carson City	Revises various provisions of the Carson City Charter.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.

SB 17	RTC Southern Nevada	Revises provisions relating to certain regional transportation commissions.	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 18	City of Fernley	Revises provisions governing meetings of planning commissions in certain counties.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.
SB 19	Clark County	Revises provisions relating to the creation of unincorporated towns.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.
SB 20	Nevada Association of Counties	Revises the process for filling vacancies on a board of county commissioners.	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 21	Nevada Association of Counties	Revises provisions relating to counties.	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 22	Nevada Association of Counties	Authorizes electronic publication of certain notices.	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 23	City of Boulder City	Revises provisions governing redevelopment areas.	Economic Development	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.
SB 25	State Public Works Division	Implements process for long-term state office space planning.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.
SB 27	Senate Committee on Health and Human Services	Revises provisions relating to excavations in areas containing subsurface installations.	Utilities	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.
SB 31	Cannabis Compliance Board	Authorizes cannabis establishments to move to a location under the jurisdiction of a different local government in certain circumstances.	Alcohol / Marijuana / Land Use	In Senate Commerce and Labor
SB 33	Cannabis Compliance Board	Revises various provisions relating to cannabis.	Alcohol / Marijuana	In Senate Commerce and Labor
SB 40	Nevada Housing Division	Revises various provisions relating to manufactured homes, mobile homes and similar vehicles and factory-built housing.	Housing	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure. Hearing Held
SB 48	Clark County	Revises provisions relating to air quality.	Environment	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.

SB 49	Division of Environmental Protection of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to the control of emissions from engines.	Consolidates compliance monitoring and enforcement of vehicle emission standards within NDEP	In Senate Natural Resources
SB 52	State Public Works Division of the Department of Administration	Revises provisions relating to the standards for the design and construction of buildings or other projects of this State.	Public Works	In Senate Government Affairs
SB 68	Clark Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board	Provides for an additional real property transfer tax to provide funding for affordable housing and behavioral health programs.	Housing	In Senate Revenue and Economic Development. Hearing Held.
SB 76	Senator Neal	Establishes provisions governing certain products that contain intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.	Environment	Passed Committee. To Senate Floor.
SB 77	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources (NRS 218E.320)	Revises provisions relating to Nevada State Board on Geographic Names.	Allows members of the Nevada State Board on Geographic Names to receive reimbursement for incidental expenses and to be entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees	Passed Committee. To Senate Floor.
SB 81	Senator Daly	Revises provisions governing regional planning.	Zoning / Land Use	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 87	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources (NRS 218E.320)	Establish the Nevada Natural Resources Corps to help attract professionals to Nevada to work for certain state agencies	Natural Resources	Passed Committee. To Senate Floor.

SB 88	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources (NRS 218E.320)	Requires that during the 2023–2024 Interim, the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources study state agencies that regulate natural resources	Natural Resources	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
SB 92	Senator Donate	Revises provisions relating to street food vending.	Business	In Senate Government Affaris. Hearing Held.
SB 94	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources (NRS 218E.320)	Establish qualifications for the tribal liaison position and adjusts state agency employment standards to help tribal members obtain state employment	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 96	Joint Committtee on Revenue	Revises provisions governing the partial abatement of taxes levied on residential and other property.	Taxation	In Senate Revenue and Economic Development. Hearing Held.
SB 99	Senator Goicoechea	Revises provisions relating to cloud seeding.	Water	In Senate Finance.
SB 101	Senator Goicoechea	Makes an appropriation for the restoration of the Gem Theater in Pioche.	Historic Preservation	In Senate Finance.
SB 102	Senator Goicoechea	Revises provisions relating to water resource plans; appropriates money to DWR to award grants for water resources plans	Water	In Senate Finance.
SB 112	Senator Goicoechea	Revises provisions governing groundwater basin assessments.	Water	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
SB 113	Senator Goicoechea	Revises provisions relating to groundwater management plans.	Water	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
SB 115	Senator Flores	Revises provisions relating to the mitigation of certain projects relating to loss of aquatic resources.	Environment / Water	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.

SB 124	Senate Committee on Finance	Revises provisions relating to the tax upon the net proceeds of minerals and royalties of mining operations.	Taxation	Signed into law by Governor.
SB 142	Senator Harris	Revises provisions related to homelessness.	Homelessness	In Senate Judiciary. Hearing Held.
SB 143	Senator Neal	Revises provisions relating to discrimination in housing.	Housing	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 155	Senator Ohrenschall	Revises provisions regarding homeless persons; prohibiting city/county ordinances that discriminate against homeless persons.	Homelessness	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 156	Senator Ohrenschall	Enacts the Model Public Meetings During Emergencies Act.	Government Adminstartion	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 169	Joint Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions governing master plans adopted by certain local governments.	Environment	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
SB 175	Senator Spearman	Revises provisions relating to real property.	Property	In Senate Judiciary. Hearing Held.
SB 176	Senator Goicoechea	Revises provisions relating to groundwater basins.	Placeholder; potentially address CMAs	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
SB 180	Senator Goicoechea	Revises provisions relating to groundwater boards.	Water	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
SB 181	Senator Pazina	Revises provisions relating to economic development; revises GOED partial tax abatements.	Economic Development	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
SB 186	Senator Goicoechea	Transfers property from the State to City of Ely and NNRR.	State Lands	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 207	Senator Spearman	Revises provisions relating to ethics in government.	Government Administration	In Senate Legislative Operations and Elections.

SB 208	Senator Flores	Authorizes counties and cities to enact certain ordinances relating to battery-charged fences.	Land Use	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
SB 210	Senate Committee on Government Affairs	Revises provisions governing state boards and commissions.	Government Administration	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
SB 224	Senator Goicoechea	Revises the membership of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners.	Environment	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
SB 247	Senate Committee on Government Affairs	Revises provisions relating to regional planning in Southern Nevada.	Land Use	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 258	Senator Ohrenschall	Revises provisions relating to water.	Water	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
SB 261	Senator Neal	Revises provisions relating to local governments. Makes changes to business impact statement requirements.	Government Administration	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
SB 262	Senator Flores	Revises the qualifications for membership on certain Unincorporated Town Advisory Boards.	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 263	Senator Seevers Gansert	Makes an appropriation to the Children's Cabinet for the purchase and renovation of a parcel of land to carry out the Oddie Project.	Government Administration	In Senate Finance.
SB 265	Senator Donate	Revises provisions relating to boards and commissions.	Government Administration	In Senate Commerce and Labor.
SB 269	Senator Ohrenschall	Revises provisions related to wildlife.	Environment	Passed Committee. To Senate Floor.
SB 272	Senator Spearman	Revises provisions relating to government purchasing and reporting requirements.	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs.
SB 275	Senator Daly	Revises provisions relating to manufactured home parks. Enacts provisions related to maximum annual rent increase.	Housing	Passed Committee. To Senate Floor.

SB 281	Senator Nguyen	Establishes a planning process for natural gas utilities.	Utilities	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure. Hearing Held
SB 293	Senator Donate	Revises provisions relating to renewable energy and energy conservation.	Renewable Energy	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure.
SB 301	Senator Lange	Revises provisions governing public works. Provides that “employed at the site of a public work” also includes the delivery or removal of construction material or structures to or from the site of a public work.	Public Works	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 312	Senator Hansen	Revises provisions relating to wildlife.	Environment	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
SB 314	Senator Lange	Revises provisions relating to battery storage.	Energy	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure. Hearing Held.
SB 338	Senator Flores	Revises provisions relating to off-highway vehicles.	Transportation	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure. Hearing Held.
SB 353	Senator Pazina	Revises provisions governing energy. Changes how integrated resource plan counts energy efficiency and conservation programs.	Energy	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure.
SB 356	Senator Lange	Revises provisions governing energy. Changes how integrated resource plan counts energy efficiency and conservation programs.	Energy	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure.
SB 358	Senator Hansen	Revises provisions relating to real property.	Property	In Senate Judiciary.
SB 361	Senator Stone	Revises provisions relating to recycling.	Environment	In Senate Natural Resources.
SB 363	Senator Spearman	Revises provisions relating to affordable housing.	Housing	In Senate Government Affairs.

SB 364	Senator Kranser	Makes various changes relating to cultural remains.	Cultural Resources	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
SB 371	Senate Committee on Government Affairs	Revises provisions governing local governments. Allows home rule for rent control and affordable housing.	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs.
SB 381	Senator Harris	Revises provisions relating to housing.	Housing	In Senate Commerce and Labor.
SB 391	Senator Harris	Revises provisions relating to governmental entities; prohibits "Sundown Towns."	Government Administration	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 394	Senate Committee on Revenue and Economic Development	Revises provisions governing property taxes levied for the support of public schools.	Taxation	In Senate Revenue and Economic Development.
SB 421	Senator Ohrenschall	Revises provisions relating to energy; revises tax abatements, IRP, and requires interim study on renewable energy.	Energy	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure.
SB 426	Senator Spearman	Revises provisions relating to affordable housing.	Housing	In Senate Commerce and Labor. Hearing Held.
SB 432	Senator Seevers Gansert	Revises provisions relating to economic development. Creates the account to Mitigate the Regional Impacts of Economic Development.	Ecnomic Development	In Senate Revenue and Economic Development.
SJR 2	Senator Hansen	SJR: Urges Congress to require the United States Board on Geographic Names to consider renaming the Sheldon Antelope Range.	Environment	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
SJR 3	Joint Committee on Natural Resources	Urges Bureau of Reclamation to consider certain actions to protect and manage the Colorado River.	Water	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
SJR 4	Senator Ohrenschall	Urges the Federal Government to use Yucca Mountain for the development and storage of renewable energy.	Land Use	In Senate Natural Resources. Hearing Held.

SJR 7 (2021)	Senator Dondero Loop	Amends the Nevada Constitution to remove the constitutional provisions governing the election and duties of the Board of Regents	Education	Passed Committe. To Senate Floor.
Natural Resource and Land Use Planning Bill Draft Requests (BDR)				
69	Assemblywoman Marzola	Revises provisions governing the practice of professional engineering.	Government Administration	
104	Senator Seevers Gansert	Revises provisions relating to affordable housing.	Housing	
174	Senator Hansen	Expands public access to the public domain.	Land Use	
208	Assemblywoman Kasama	Revises provisions governing water.	Environment / Water	
245	Senator Ohrenschall	SCR: Provides for a study of the feasibility of the State of Nevada or local governments in Nevada, or both, entering into agreements with other jurisdictions on desalination of water to help meet Nevada's water supply needs.	Water	
479	Speaker of the Assembly	Revises provisions related to economic development.	Economic Development	
482	Speaker of the Assembly	Revises provisions governing energy.	Energy	
485	Speaker of the Assembly	Revises provisions related to housing.	Housing	
486	Speaker of the Assembly	Revises provisions governing tax credits.	Economic Development	
495	Senate Majority Leader	Revises provisions related to economic development.	Economic Development	
744	Senator Hansen	Revises provisions governing water.	Water	
794	Senator Neal	Revises provisions relating to economic development.	Economic Development	

816	Senator Scheible	Revises provisions relating to natural resources.	Environment	Withdrawn
830	Assemblywoman Duran	Revises provisions governing administrative law and procedure.	Government Administration	
861	Senate Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to natural resources.	Environment	
862	Senate Committee on Natural Resources	Makes various changes relating to natural resources.	Environment	
877	Senator Spearman	Makes various changes relating to planning and zoning.	Zoning / Land Use	Withdrawn



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April 14, 2023

To: State Land Use Planning Advisory Council

From: Scott Carey AICP, State Lands Planner

RE: State Land Use Planning Agency Update

Since the February 3rd, meeting the Agency has been working on and tracking various activities, SLUPAC projects, Federal public lands and other legislation, and other issues of interest to the Council. The purpose of this memo and agenda item to provide the Council with an update on the agency and provide an opportunity to answer questions or provide additional information.

- 1) 2022 BLM A Sound Investment for America Brochure: Since the last Council meeting, the BLM has issued its annual A Sound Investment for America brochure. This report along with its accompanying report paint a picture of the economic contributions stemming from specific resource uses supported by BLM-managed lands and by BLM's labor and non-labor expenditures. The report includes interactive charts and statistics that the total economic output of recreation, renewable energy, mining, oil and gas, grazing, coal, and timber uses on public lands throughout the country. According to the report the total economic output of BLM lands in Nevada was \$29,333,000,003, which supported a total of 93,659 jobs.

A copy of the latest brochure which summarizes the information from the report is attached to this member. The full report along with the interactive charts and data is available [at this link](#).

- 2) Avi Kwa Ame National Monument: On March 21, 2023, President Biden issued a proclamation under the Antiquities Act to designate Avi Kwa Ame in Clark County as a National Monument. A copy of the full proclamation is available [at this link](#). The new national monument spans approximately 506,814 acres of lands managed by the Interior Department's Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and National Park Service. A copy of the fact sheet issued by the White House for this designation is available [at this link](#).

Included in the White House's fact sheet provided was a paragraph that included an interesting perspective on the potential of renewable energy development on public lands in Nevada.

"The designation will not slow the positive momentum of clean energy development in the State of Nevada, which will continue to play a leading role in helping the nation meet its goal of permitting 25 gigawatts (GW) of renewable energy by 2025. Outside of the national monument boundaries, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has identified more than 9 million acres of public lands within the State of Nevada that may be appropriate for solar development. Additionally, BLM is currently reviewing more than three dozen proposed renewable energy projects in the state that would add more than 13 GW of potential clean energy generation to the grid if constructed."

- 3) Executive Order 2023-007: On March 21st, Governor Lombardo issued an Executive Order establishing the state's energy policy objectives. This order establishes a new energy policy for the State of Nevada and will remain in effect until December 31, 2033 unless terminated or extended by another Executive Order. Section 9 of the order requires that the Nevada Climate Strategy "be reviewed and revised, as applicable through a broad-based stakeholder effort, to reflect these policy directives." Other parts of the order establish goals for increasing new energy infrastructure and projects that compliment Nevada's energy portfolio and promote in state energy resources. Section 5 of the order states encourages new policies to "reduce regulations and streamline the permitting process to provide for shorter approval timelines for energy projects while providing for appropriate environmental and cultural resource reviews. A copy of Executive Order 2023-007 is attached to this memo.
- 4) White Pine Pumped Storage Project Agenda Item Request: Earlier this month, staff received a request from Rhiannon Scanlon of rPlus Hydro for an future agenda item request about the White Pine Pumped Storage Project in White Pine County. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Friday August 4th in Eureka. Attached to this memo please find a copy of the request and some information about this project.
- 5) Federal Public Lands Bills: The Agency continues to track the progress of several Nevada specific public lands and natural resource Federal bills. As the 118th Congress and the Biden Administration begin their work, the Agency expects new Federal public land bills to move through the process or resurface over the next year. Below is a listing of the bills that the agency is tracking during the 118th Session.

Status of Legislation in the 118th Congress.

- Lake Tahoe Restoration Reauthorization Act (H.R. 1274) (S. 612) – [Congressman Amodei](#) introduced the House version of this bill on 3-1-23. [Senator Cortez Masto](#) introduced the Senate version of this bill on 3-1-23.
- Maude Frazier Mountain (H.R. 848) – [Congresswoman Titus](#) introduced this bill on 2-21-23.
- Nuclear Waster Informed Consent Act (H.R. 1051) (S. 404) - [Congresswoman Titus](#) introduced this this bill on 2-14-23.
- Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act of 2023 (H.R. 178) – [Congressman Mike Levin \(CA-49\)](#) introduced this bill on 2-21-23.
- Avi Kwa Ame National Monument – [On March 21, 2023, President Biden](#) issued a proclamation under the Antiquities Act to designate Avi Kwa Ame in Clark County as a National Monument. The new national monument spans approximately 506,814 acres of lands managed by the Interior Department’s Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and National Park Service.
- Southern Nevada Economic Development and Conservation Act – [No bill introduced yet.](#)
- Ruby Mountains Protection Act – [No bill introduced yet.](#)
- Carson City Public Land Correction Act – [No bill introduced yet.](#)
- Elko National Cemetery Act – [No bill introduced yet.](#)
- Apex Area Technical Corrections Act – [No bill introduced yet.](#)
- Truckee Meadows Lands Bill – [No bill introduced yet.](#) Discussion draft of the proposed bill has been circulated to stakeholders.
- Nye County Lands Bill – [No bill introduced yet.](#)
- Lyon County Lands Bill – [No bill introduced yet.](#)
- Nevada Test and Training Range modernization & withdrawal – [No bill introduced yet.](#)
- Sunrise Mountain Protections – [No bill introduced yet.](#)

Benefits of Public Lands

In addition to supporting economic vitality, BLM programs and managed lands benefit families and communities across the United States in ways that are not always reflected in economic activity.

Nonmarket Benefits

Many of the benefits provided by BLM-managed lands are difficult to quantify in economic terms. These “nonmarket benefits” reflect the value that the public derives from access to and preservation of our nation’s natural, scenic, recreational, and cultural resources.

2,700 miles
of designated wild
and scenic rivers



> 330 threatened or endangered species and
2,430 sensitive species live in
BLM-managed
habitat



12.3 million objects
and scientific specimens
on loan to repositories,
museums, and universities
across the country



251 species of plant
seed collected to
increase availability of
native seeds for habitat
restoration



> 30 wildlife and plant
species delisted, downlisted,
or avoided threatened or
endangered listing since 2010
with the help
of BLM
conservation
and other
efforts



Partnerships

The BLM partners with Tribes and governments, community programs, universities, and national organizations to provide people from all walks of life with opportunities to connect with the natural world. BLM partnerships and engagement programs provide hands-on experiences for professional development, to engage in citizen science, participate in conservation, learn about the histories and cultures tied to public lands, and enhance local recreational opportunities.

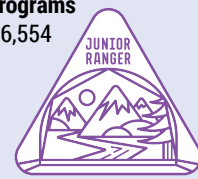
12,463 volunteers
contributed
525,946
hours of
service



1,714 youth
engagement
programs
supported
32,554
participants



1,114 K-to-12
education programs
supported 26,554
participants



1,277 young
people and veterans
received work
experience
through the
Civilian
Climate Corps



Promoting Fire Resiliency and Recovery

The BLM works with other federal and nonfederal cooperators to reduce wildfire risk, improve wildfire resiliency, and promote fire-adapted communities. After fires, the BLM works to stabilize and rehabilitate burn areas to mitigate further risk to people, property, and resources.



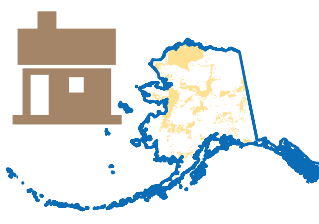
870,000 acres
treated to reduce
hazardous fuels

\$1 million provided to
states for local cooperator
assistance programs

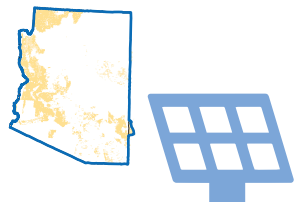
1.25 million burned acres received
various treatments to promote postfire recovery

6,700 rural fire department and fire
protection authority members trained

\$1 million from the Great American Outdoors Act invested in
fire training facilities used by federal, state, and rural cooperators



ALASKA: The White Mountains National Recreation Area is the BLM's only national recreation area, which drew more than 180,000 visitors. The area's 12 cabins had a 25% occupation rate with 1,309 rental days generating \$32,000 in revenue for maintenance.



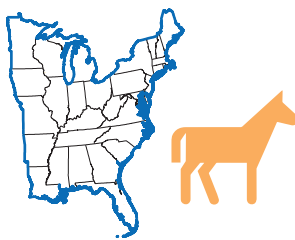
ARIZONA: The BLM approved an amendment request for a right-of-way for a solar energy project that will add battery storage to planned solar energy infrastructure. This project is expected to produce 260 megawatts of electricity and 260 megawatts of energy storage—enough to power 91,000 homes.



CALIFORNIA: The BLM developed a comprehensive management plan for public lands in the Alabama Hills in Inyo County, fulfilling requirements in the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act. The BLM works to strike a proper balance for land and resource management, increase public access, and create economic prosperity, while protecting and preserving America's treasures.



COLORADO: The McInnis Canyons, Dominguez-Escalante, and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Areas engaged local communities through the Colorado Canyons Association to provide more than 4,600 hours of volunteer stewardship, including Leave No Trace visitor outreach, fire rehabilitation, and cleanups. These programs helped promote stewardship of public lands.



EASTERN STATES: BLM Eastern States placed 2,588 wild horses and burros into private care, which is nearly 35 percent of animals adopted bureauwide. BLM Eastern States also completed more than 1,250 compliance inspections.



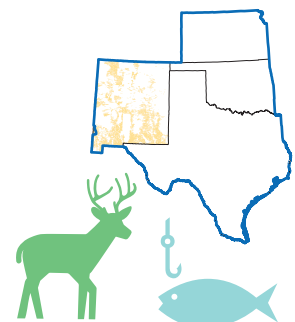
IDAHO: The BLM acquired approximately 650 acres of land in Idaho to preserve open space, enhance outdoor recreation opportunities, and conserve wildlife habitat. This included the 560-acre Healy Toll Road parcel in the Boise foothills. It also included 88.5 acres near Cougar Bay in northern Idaho.



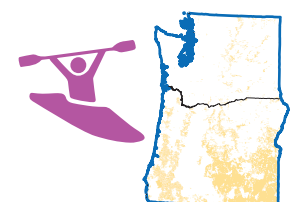
MONTANA/DAKOTAS: The BLM acquired 5,600 acres of land in the Western Montana District, restoring habitat for threatened and endangered species and ensuring proper watershed function for aquatic species. The acquisition also maintains active forestry and fuels programs and continued use of grazing and provides greater access to important areas for Tribal groups.



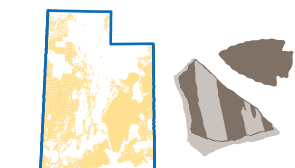
NEVADA: The BLM in Nevada continues to respond to demands for renewable energy. Through FY 2021, the BLM has permitted utility-scale renewable energy projects that include 29 geothermal, 1 wind, and 12 solar energy projects with a total combined capacity of 3,277 megawatts.



NEW MEXICO: To hunt, fish, or trap on BLM and U.S. Forest Service lands and waters in the state, a habitat stamp and proper license are required. The New Mexico Habitat Stamp Program raised \$1 million for habitat restoration and conservation projects on federal lands. In partnership with the state Department of Game and Fish, the BLM contributes to the program free digital maps of hunting units and recreational opportunities.



OREGON/WASHINGTON: The BLM hosted nearly 10 million recreational visitors across Oregon and Washington, contributing more than half-a-billion dollars to local economies. BLM public lands promoted health and wellness by offering unique outdoor experiences through hiking, biking, camping, river activities, and more.



UTAH: In Utah, the BLM manages an abundance of cultural resources. The BLM partnered with the State of Utah to form a cultural site stewardship program to monitor 475 cultural resource sites. This program included 146 volunteers, more than 1,500 volunteer hours, and nearly 28,000 donated miles of travel.



WYOMING: Your box of baking soda probably contains trona, which most likely comes from BLM-managed land in Wyoming. Approximately 18 million tons of trona were produced in Wyoming. Trona is used for glass, paper products, laundry detergents, baking soda, and many other everyday items.

All state facts are for FY 2021.

BLM-administered land
BLM administrative boundaries



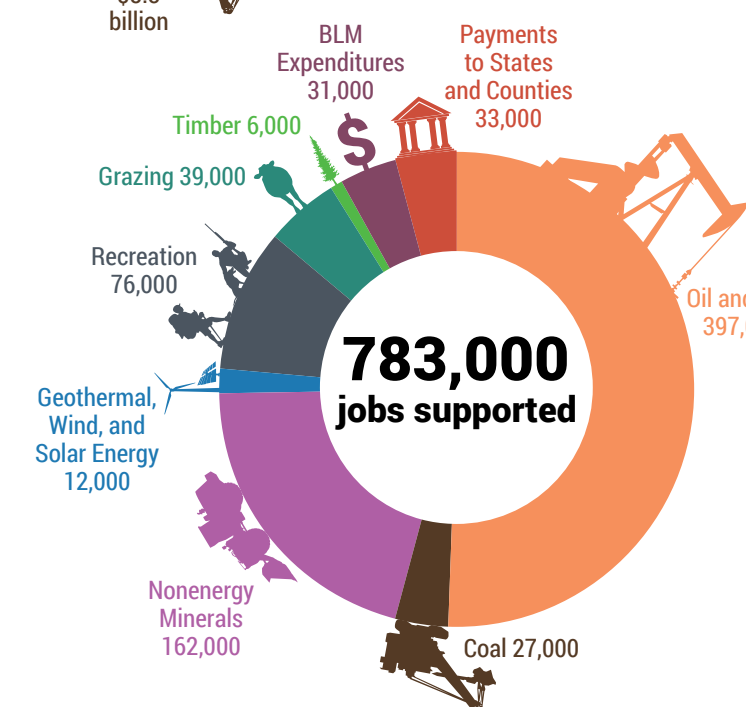
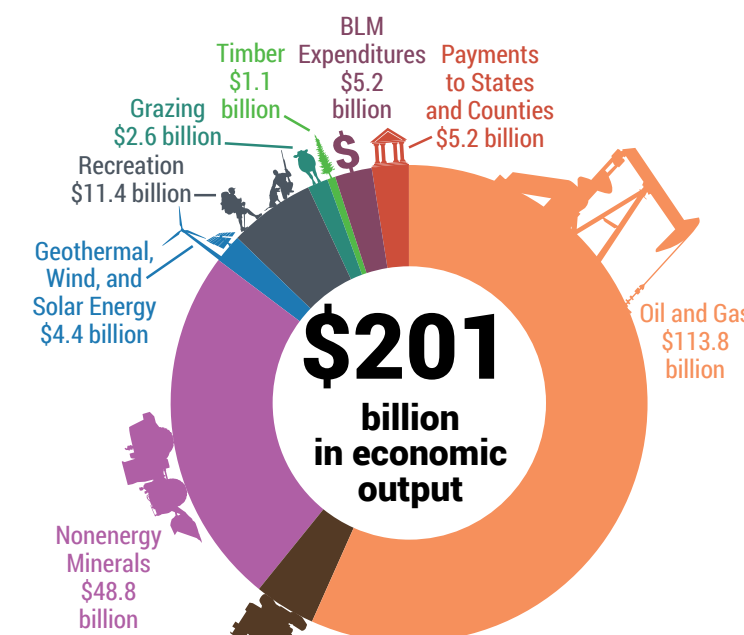
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As steward for much of America's public lands, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) manages some of the nation's most historic and scenic landscapes, as well as vast natural resources, for the benefit of all Americans. These public lands include rangelands, forests, mountains, arctic tundra, and deserts and encompass 10 percent of the nation's surface and approximately one-third of its subsurface mineral resources.

The BLM's balanced management of these lands advances responsible energy policy, promotes restoration, provides recreation for all, and fosters conservation. Billions of dollars and hundreds of thousands of jobs are supported from activities related to the BLM's land management. This brochure provides a snapshot of how authorized use and management of BLM-administered lands supported \$201 billion in economic output and nearly 783,000 jobs across the country in fiscal year (FY) 2021. These uses also generated substantial revenue for the U.S. Treasury and state governments. In FY 2021, \$2 billion was redistributed to state and local governments for improvement projects and public services under various revenue-sharing programs, including the Taylor Grazing Act, the Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands, Payments in Lieu of Taxes, and the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act.

Economic Contributions from BLM-Managed Lands

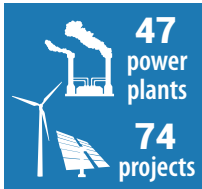
Fiscal Year 2021



Economic Sectors



RECREATION: More than 99 percent of BLM-managed lands are available for recreation at no fee to visitors. Lands used for recreational activities attract visitor spending and contribute significantly to local economies. In FY 2021, BLM-managed lands received more than 80 million recreation-related visits, an increase of about 10 percent over the previous year.



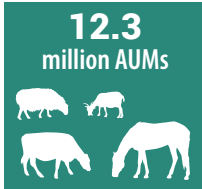
GEOTHERMAL, SOLAR, AND WIND: There are 47 currently operating geothermal power plants with federal interest that have an installed capacity of approximately 2,500 megawatts and an average capacity factor (the ratio of actual output to maximum possible output) of more than 70 percent. Through FY 2021, the BLM has approved 38 solar energy projects with a generation capacity of more than 7,110 megawatts and 36 wind energy projects with a generation capacity of more than 3,000 megawatts.



NONENERGY MINERALS: Federal lands contain leasable minerals such as potash, phosphate, sodium, and gilsonite, components used in fertilizers, glass, and paper. In FY 2021, nonenergy leasable minerals produced from more than 580,000 acres of federal lands brought in royalties and other payments of \$59 million. Federal lands also contain saleable mineral materials, including sand, gravel, soil, and clay. In FY 2021, nonenergy saleable mineral materials produced from federal lands brought in royalties and other payments of \$14.5 million. Federal lands also contain locatable hardrock minerals such as copper and gold. In FY 2021, fees associated with locatable minerals resulted in payments of \$98.7 million. The FY 2021 total revenue received for federal nonenergy minerals was \$172 million.



OIL AND GAS: Currently, the BLM has more than 24.9 million acres of land under lease for oil and gas development and production, from the Eastern United States to the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska. In FY 2021, the BLM offered 418 parcels and more than 1.4 million acres for leasing. Federal onshore oil production increased to 387 million barrels of oil during FY 2021, compared to 331 million barrels in FY 2020.



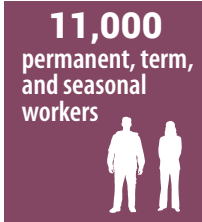
GRAZING: In 2021, the BLM permitted 12.3 million animal unit months (AUMs) for ranchers who graze their livestock, mostly cattle and sheep, on public lands. An AUM is the amount of forage needed to feed a cow and calf, or the equivalent, for 1 month. The grazing fee in 2021 was \$1.35 per AUM. While the number of AUMs permitted remains relatively steady, annual variations in billed use occur due to factors such as drought, wildfire, market conditions, and restoration projects.



COAL: The BLM administers coal leases encompassing 433,264 acres in 11 states. In FY 2021, coal production from federal lands increased to a total of 258.3 million tons, compared to the 2020 total of 252.9 million tons. This is about 42.9 percent of the total 602.6 million tons produced in the United States from federal, Indian, and state lands in FY 2021.



TIMBER: Twenty percent of the 245 million acres of lands managed by the BLM are forest ecosystems, spread across 13 western states, including Alaska. The BLM ensures the health and resilience of the nation's public forest lands as well as the availability of traditional forest products, such as timber. In 2021, the BLM offered 327 million board feet of timber under new sale and stewardship contracts. The BLM continues to use stewardship contracts for collaborative projects with local communities and interested organizations to improve, maintain, and restore forest and rangeland health, water quality, and fish and wildlife habitat and to reduce wildfire risk.



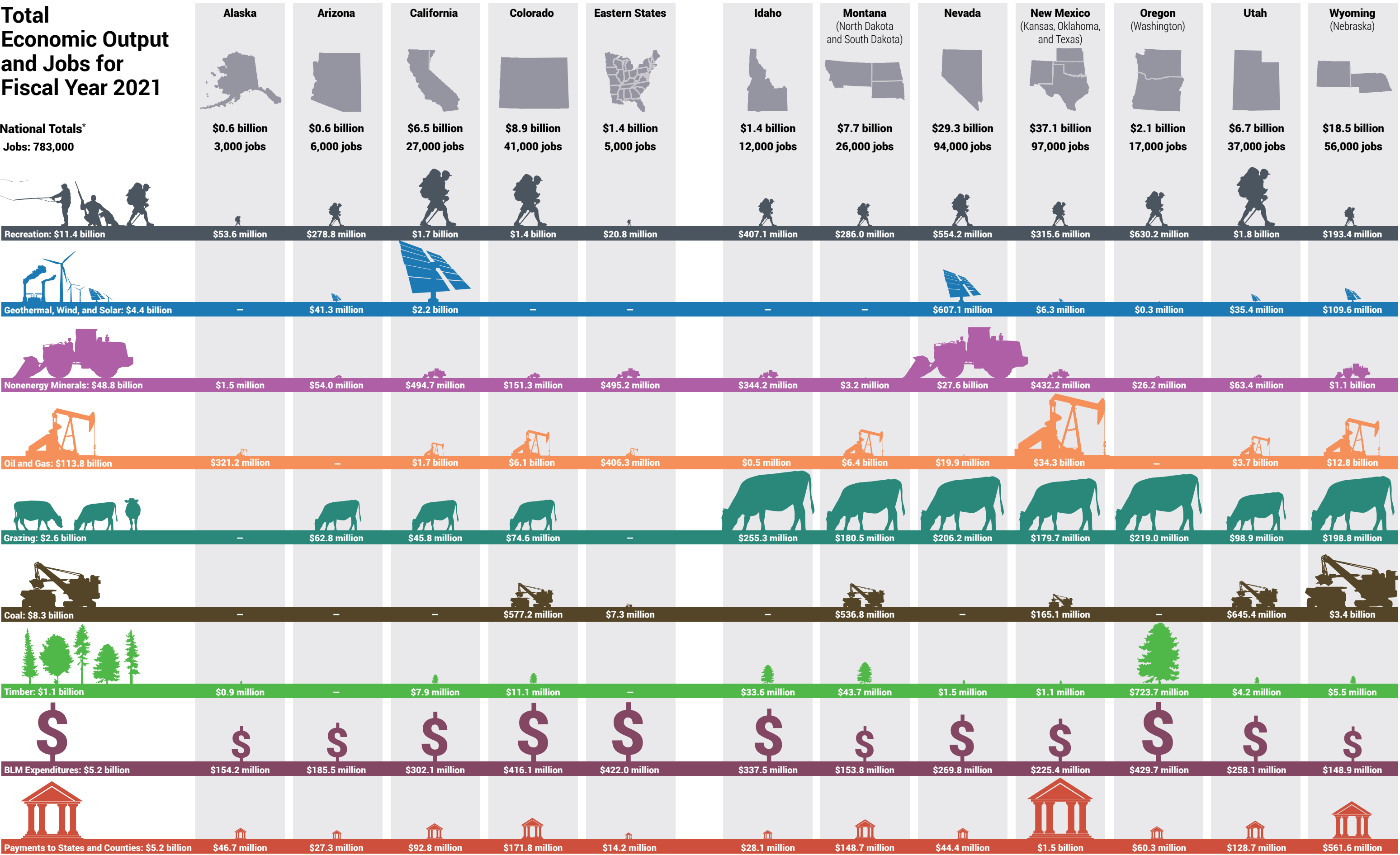
BLM EXPENDITURES: The BLM employed more than 11,000 permanent, term, and seasonal workers in FY 2021 who spent their wages on goods and services in surrounding communities and generated economic activity in 39 states. BLM purchases, including those for supplies, services, construction costs, and program operations, to complete on-the-ground work through contracts and cooperative agreements also generated economic activity in communities. Some nonlabor spending categories, such as fire suppression and all hazard emergency response, were excluded due to differences in the location/year in which accounting and spending occur.



PAYMENTS TO STATES AND COUNTIES: Under certain laws, the BLM makes payments to states and counties that are used to help fund schools, road improvements, infrastructure, and public services within their jurisdictions. In FY 2021, the BLM distributed nearly \$184 million under the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program, \$24 million under the Secure Rural Schools program, and \$1.9 billion in minerals revenue.

Total Economic Output and Jobs for Fiscal Year 2021

National Totals*
Jobs: 783,000



* National totals may differ from the sum of individual state numbers because they take into account activity across state borders and average industry productivity across states.



EXECUTIVE ORDER 2023-07

Order Establishing the State of Nevada Energy Policies Objectives

WHEREAS, safe, reliable, affordable and sustainable energy supplies are essential for the public welfare of the State of Nevada and are critical in supporting economic development and job growth;

WHEREAS, the state has tremendous capacity to develop and employ electric projects to be a leader in clean energy development through abundant renewable energy sources including solar, geothermal and wind resources;

WHEREAS, affordable, safe and reliable energy and delivery systems are extremely important for Nevada homes and businesses as they provide essential services to Nevadans and for attracting new businesses and industries to Nevada;

WHEREAS, continued investment in Nevada-based energy projects is necessary in order to have a balanced energy portfolio that includes renewable energy resources, low-carbon resources, including natural gas, and the utilization of regional transmission and infrastructure to acquire energy resources is necessary to ensure safe, reliable and affordable delivery of energy statewide;

WHEREAS, with overwhelming bipartisan support in the legislature, the passage of Senate Bill 358 in the 2019 Nevada Legislative Session established a goal to achieve a 50 percent renewable energy portfolio (RPS) standard by 2030;

WHEREAS, in order to achieve the objectives of Senate Bill 358 (2019) while still maintaining adequate energy resources, Nevada must pursue a balanced approach to

energy use and development by utilizing all available energy and storage resources, including natural gas, solar, geothermal, hydroelectric, wind, hydrogen, energy efficiency and energy storage projects;

WHEREAS, Nevada has an existing skilled workforce that will be critical in maintaining, developing, building and operating energy projects throughout the state;

WHEREAS, Nevada must continue to advance policies to address climate change and reduce economy-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through encouraging investment in new technologies and innovation;

WHEREAS, sustainability policies must be advanced while ensuring all Nevadans have affordable and reliable energy;

WHEREAS, the energy industry in Nevada will continue to set the standard for job creation in skilled trades, economic diversification, innovation and development of safe, reliable and affordable energy resources to the benefit of the entire state; and

WHEREAS, efforts to ensure energy stability and reliability through the production or acquisition of resources sufficient to meet the needs of all in-state users and to develop a balanced energy portfolio should be designed, developed and deployed in such a manner as to minimize energy cost borne by the state's residential and commercial users.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1

The state's energy policy will be focused on developing and maintaining a robust, diverse energy supply portfolio and a balanced approach to electric and natural gas energy supply and transportation fuels that emphasizes affordability and reliability for consumers. This energy portfolio shall also advance sustainability and reliability by including solar, wind, geothermal, hydropower, natural gas (for both electric generation and direct use in homes and businesses), hydrogen, energy storage, and other resources needed to meet the vast energy demands in the state.

Section 2

Nevada will develop sufficient in-state electric generation resources to ensure the needs of all Nevadans are met and ensure that Nevada has sufficient electric generation resources to mitigate the risk of energy markets not having sufficient electric energy supplies during peak usage periods. The state will also develop transmission and energy infrastructure to ensure that Nevada is a regional leader in exporting its solar, wind, and

geothermal resources and has sufficient transmission to import dedicated resources that support Nevada's objectives of reliability, affordability and sustainability. Nevada's advancement of energy independence will spur economic development, lead job creation, drive low-cost energy for Nevadans and reduce carbon emissions for future generations of Nevadans.

Section 3

The energy policies pursued by this administration will focus on job creation, economic development and investment in our state by directing our energy providers to deliver affordable, reliable and sustainable energy to Nevada residents and businesses. These policies shall:

- A. Capitalize on the existing highly skilled workforce in the state;
- B. Promote job creation in the skilled trades and attract diverse talent by leveraging workforce development and career training programs through public/private partnerships with energy providers, colleges, universities, trade schools and labor groups within Nevada; and
- C. Focus on energy policies that encourage economic development and diversification, increasing investment in Nevada.

Section 4

The state's energy policies shall ensure all consumers and businesses continue to have diverse energy options available to them in their homes and businesses, including electric and natural gas service, energy efficiency and renewable energy resources.

Section 5

The state shall implement policies that reduce regulations and streamline the permitting process to provide for shorter approval timelines for energy projects while providing for appropriate environmental and cultural resource reviews. This will be a key factor in Nevada's economic development efforts to attract investment to our state. These policies include:

- A. Concurrent permit review at the state agency level. When applicable, state agencies and their subdivisions shall review permitting applications concurrently rather than sequentially.
- B. The Governor and appropriate state agencies shall advocate for concurrent and/or expedited review at the Federal level with applicable Federal agencies.

Section 6

Nevada's energy policies shall promote energy innovation and leverage our premier research universities, resources and industries to do so. It will also focus on the

development of battery, hydrogen and other energy storage technologies coupled with renewable energy projects.

Section 7

The strategic goals for developing Nevada's energy future shall be:

- A. The maintenance of affordable rates and increasing the reliability and resiliency of energy for Nevadans by diversifying our energy portfolio utilizing all available energy production options;
- B. Pursuing new energy transmission, infrastructure and energy storage projects to access additional resources from regions that compliment Nevada's energy usage to further diversify our energy portfolio;
- C. Having our utilities secure sufficient energy supply through dedicated in-state energy resources, including both utility-owned and third-party-owned solar, that ensure reliability for Nevadans while uncertainty and volatility exist in broader western energy markets while also ensuring Nevadans continue to have affordable, diverse energy options available to them in their homes and businesses; and
- D. Continue to pursue options for Nevada to participate in an organized western energy market when such a market furthers Nevada's objectives of reliability, affordability and sustainability.

Section 8

State agencies within the executive branch of Nevada government shall work together and collaborate with businesses and other organizations to implement and accomplish these policy objectives.

Section 9

The Nevada Climate Strategy shall be reviewed and revised, as applicable through a broad-based stakeholder effort, to reflect these policy directives.

Section 10


The administration and state agencies shall collaborate, as necessary, with local governments within the state, tribal nations, federal agencies and bureaus, and other appropriate industries and businesses to advance the policies established by this Executive Order.


Section 11


This order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2033, unless it is terminated earlier or extended beyond that date by subsequent Executive Order.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 21st day of March, in the year two thousand twenty-three..


Governor


Secretary of State


Deputy

Scott Carey

To: Rhiannon Scanlon
Subject: Agenda Request for June SLUPAC Meeting

From: Rhiannon Scanlon <rscanlon@rplusenergies.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2023 10:55 AM
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Mr. Donohue,

My name is Rhiannon Scanlon, and I am reaching out on behalf of rPlus Hydro. We are a renewable energy company developing a 1000-megawatt pumped storage hydro project in White Pine County. The project represents a unique energy storage and supply opportunity for Nevada and will serve as a critical element of the region's modernized and reliable energy infrastructure. Community benefits from the project include the creation of hundreds of long-term construction and dozens of permanent operation jobs. The project will also provide a considerable increase in tax revenues for the state and local communities. You can learn more about the project, including the final license application submitted to FERC on February 27th, at our website: <https://www.whitepinepumpedstorage.com/>. I have also attached a one-pager about the project and pumped storage technology for your review.

While the project footprint is primarily on BLM lands, we are committed to coordinating with the appropriate state and local agencies. We are interested in a short presentation for the Advisory Council at the next SLUPAC meeting in June. We want to answer questions the Advisory Council may have about the project. Is there a specific request form to get on the agenda? Please let me know if you have any questions – I am happy to chat on the phone.

Respectfully,
Rhiannon

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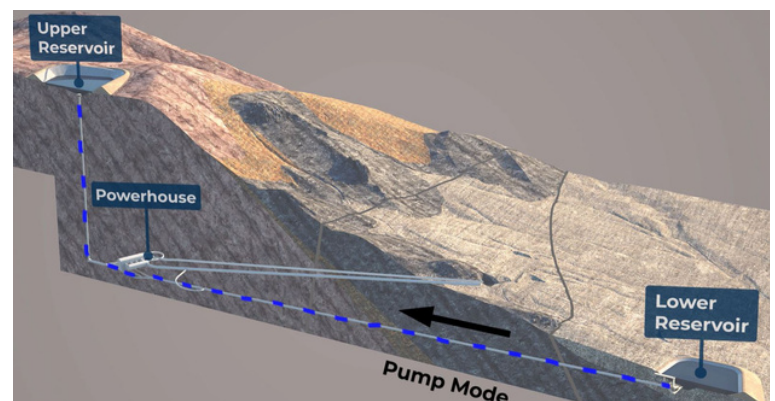
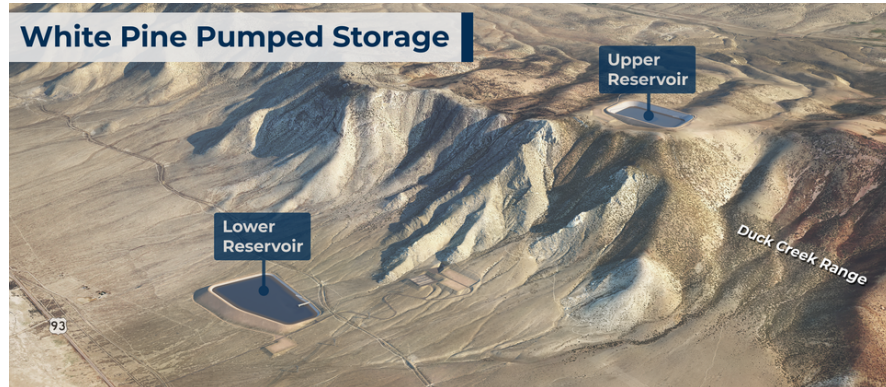
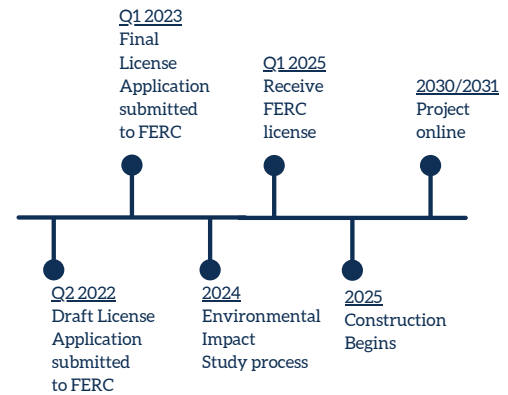
White Pine Pumped Storage 46



The White Pine Pumped Storage Project is a 1,000 megawatt energy storage project being developed in White Pine County, Nevada. The project will bring substantial economic benefits to the local community and will serve as an important element of the region's modernized and reliable energy infrastructure. This type of system moves water back and forth between two reservoirs to store energy and generate power when needed.

Fast Facts

- 1,000 MWs per hour for at least 8 hours of energy storage capacity
- Would meet about 1/8th of Nevada's peak power demand on a hot summer day
- Construction expected to begin as early as 2025
- Intended to be online as early as 2030 / 2031
- Final License Application submitted to FERC in February 2023
- Located approximately 8 miles northeast of Ely, Nevada
- Located almost entirely on BLM lands
- Requires one time initial fill of about 5,000 acre feet of water
 - Once operational, the estimated water requirement is approximately 600 acre feet per year.
- Energy for pumping, and power generated by the project, would be delivered through a new 25-mile long transmission line connecting the project with the Robinson Summit substation
- Largest planned pumped storage project in the state of Nevada



Economic Impact

- Total investment of approximately \$2.5 billion
 - \$12-13 million annual revenues to taxing entities
- Creation of approximately 500 direct construction jobs annually for a 5-7 year period
- Creation of 35 full-time jobs at the project site, with annual wages estimated between \$80,000 and \$120,000 per job
- Incremental property tax revenues of \$144 million to local government entities over 20 years, with additional revenues of \$118 million to the State Renewable Energy Fund

