

Meeting Minutes Nevada Commission on Homeland Security

	DATE	Friday, August 8, 2025				
Attendance		TIME	1:00 PM			
		METHOD	Zoom/Teleconference Conference line #: (669) 219-2599 Meeting ID# 202 331 8963			
		RECORDER	Loren Borst			
Appointed Voting Member Attendance						
Member Name	Present	Member Name		Present	Member Name	Present
Governor Joe Lombardo - Chair	Х	Chief Fernando Grey		Х	George Togliatti	ABS
Sheriff Kevin McMahill – Vice- Chair	Х	Dr. Ikram Khan		Х	Rosemary Vassiliadis	ABS
Sheriff Darin Balaam	Х	Rick Edwards		Х	Patricia Wade	Х
Col. Kyle Cerfoglio	ABS	Richard Perkins		X	Bill Welch	Х
Todd Fasulo	Х	Harriett Vegas		X		
Mitchell Fox	Х	Billy Samuels		Х		
Appointed Non-Voting Member Attendance						
Karen Burke	Х	Christopher Ipsen		Х	Adam Miller	Х
Special Agent, FBI	VACANT	Brett Compston		Х	Mike Matthews	Х
Skip Daly	ABS	P.K. O'Neill		ABS		
Legal and Support Staff Attendance						
Samantha Ladich	X	Loren Borst		Х		

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Governor Lombardo called the meeting to order. Roll call was performed by Loren Borst, Nevada Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEM/HS). Quorum was established for the meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Governor Lombardo, motioned to approve the February 4, 2025 Commission meeting minutes. Richard Perkins, President, The Perkins Group, moved to approve the minutes, Patricia Wade, President, Wade Development, seconded the motion to approve the minutes.

No discussion was presented. All were in favor with no opposition, and the motion passed unanimously.

4. STATEWIDE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) COMPLIANCE REPORT

Brett Compston, OEM/HS, reported the NIMS Compliance across the state for Quarters 1 and 2, 2025, noting that there were 14,672 individual courses and 636 physical courses.

5. COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Rick Edwards was appointed new Truckee Meadows Fire Chief replacing Charles Moore

Billy Samuels appt. Clark County Fire Department Chief replacing John Steinbeck

Mike Mathews was appt. non-voting as Supervisory Protective Security Advisor, CISA-DHS, Region 9 for NV and AZ

A new appointment is needed for special agent in charge of FBI and will be moved for appointment in the next Commission.

Governor Lombardo asked Brett Compston to check in with Senator Daly and Assemblyman O'Neill since they had not been in attendance in some time.

6. REVIEW OF THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2025 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM (SHSP) RECOMMENDATIONS

Brett Compston, OEM/HS, presented to the Commission as to the funding allocated for FFY 2025 SHSP, and noted all mandatory spend percentages had been met and the five national priority areas addressed.

Sheriff Kevin McMahill thanked Brett Compston and his team for all the hard work done to get this ready in the short time available.

Ikram Khan, President, Quality Care Consultants, made a motion to approve the ranking as provided. Bill Welch, President, Nevada Hospital seconded. All were in favor.

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7. REVIEW OF THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2025 URBAN AREAS SECURITY INITIATIVE (UASI) PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

Bryan O'Neal, Emergency Manager for Clark County and Urban Area Administrator for the UASI Program, provided information to the Commission regarding proposed funding for UASI allocations. 31 projects were approved for funding and 100% of the award was encumbered for FY25.

Governor Lombardo asked Chief Compston to provide all Commission members the documentation of the approved programs.

Dr. Ikram Khan, President, Quality Care Consultants, made a motion to approve the ranking as provided. Mitchell Fox, President, Nevada Broadcasters, seconded the motion. All were in favor.

8. 83rd LEGISLATIVE OUTCOMES

Brett Compston, OEM/HS, provided an update on the six items that were approved during the 83rd Legislation that directly affected the Emergency Management enterprise to include AB553, AB57, AB325, AB442, SB38, and SB39.

9. NATION STATE THREATS

Adam Miller, Office of Information Security and Cyber Defense (OISCD) updated the Commission on the multiple threats to cyber and information security and the recommendations for how to combat these, along with information on what vishing is and effective defense strategies.

10. STATE OF NEVADA WILDFIRE UPDATE

Ron Bollier, Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF), informed the Commission on the status of several wildfires, including statistics from the year to date.

11. WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF HOME MADE EXPLOSIVE LAB RESPONSE

Noah Boyer, Washoe County Sheriff's Office and Consolidated Bomb Squad, provided an overview of a lab that was collaboratively addressed and worked as an example of interagency coordination and cooperation.

Lieutenant Trenton Johnson, Reno PD, informed the Commission that the District Attorney's office is working on charges in that case.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

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Chair Governor Joe Lombardo opened the second period of public comment for discussion.

There was no additional public comment.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Governor Joe Lombardo made a motion to adjourn. Patricia Wade seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

