



Meeting Minutes

Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee

Attendance		DATE	Tuesday, April 28, 2026			
		TIME	10:00 AM			
		METHOD	Zoom			
		RECORDER	Ella Ramirez			
Appointed Voting Member Attendance						
Member Name	Present	Member Name	Present	Member Name	Present	
Brett Compston –Chair	X	Joe Colacurcio	X	Matthew Petersen	X	
Brian O'Neal – Vice Chair	X	COL. Kyle Cerfoglio	ABS	Ken Quiner	ABS	
Andy Ancho	X	Tim Galluzi	ABS	Misty Robinson	X	
Jayson Andrus	ABS	Kelly Echeverria	X	Bill Savran	ABS	
Roy Anderson	X	Andrea Esp	ABS	Cary Underwood	X	
Solome Barton	X	Jessica Brenner-Rapp	ABS	Donielle (DT) Allen	X	
Taylor Allison	X	Timothy Hill	X	Bert Carroll	ABS	
Jon Bakkedahl	ABS	Eric Holt	X	Diana Clarkson	X	
Noah Boyer	X	Chris Lake	ABS	Corey Ross	ABS	
Lee Cabaniss	X	Carolyn Levering	X	Scott Means	X	
Doug McMahan	X	Greg Prestipino	X			
Ana Chavez	X	Tennille Pereira	ABS			
Appointed Non-Voting Member Attendance						
Sarah Fichtner	X	Melissa Friend	X			
Heather Lafferty	X	Selby Marks	X			
Legal/Administrative Support Attendance						
Representative			Entity		Present	
Samantha Ladich – Senior Deputy Attorney General			Office of the Nevada Attorney General		X	
Loren Borst – Administrative Assistant			Nevada Office of Emergency Management		X	

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Brett Compston, State Administrative Agent (SAA) Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEM/HS), called the meeting to order. Ella Ramirez, OEM/HS, performed the roll call. A quorum was established for the meeting.

2. Public Comment

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, opened the first period of public comment. There was no public comment,

Chair Compston closed the first period of public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, presented minutes from the January 20, 2026, meeting for discussion, updates to the minutes were needed and were tabled for approval at the next meeting.

4. Grant Status Report

Shea Sloan, OEM/HS, provided the quarterly grant status report. The report was generated on April 21, 2026. She stated the report provided the grant program, grant year, various award amounts, and balances for all state, OEM/HS, and urban area grants, being based on the complete transactions from the state accounting system. The data is pulled quarterly.

Chair Compston stated there were two adjustments to the report. The first was to change the name of the state balance remaining to “Non-OEM state agency balance remaining”, so that members can clearly see what other state agencies have used or not used and then balance that against NRAC. He then indicated the second adjustment was to change the name of DEM to OEM.

There were no questions, and the agenda item was closed.

5. Department of Homeland Security Shutdown Update

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, stated the FEMA GO website had been re-opened. He indicated OEM is taking quarterly financial reports (QFR) and submitting them for all the reimbursements possible. OEM is seeing a very sporadic and unpredictable release of funds, not in any significant amounts, they’re just randomly showing up. He elaborated that OEM does not have the ability to get the majority of reimbursements and subsequently pass them through to sub applicants, but stated the policy still remains that OEM will start paying as soon as they receive the funds. He indicated for those funds that have come through, they will push those through to sub-applicants as soon as possible.

Chair Compston then moved on to the 2025 subgrants, related to the Homeland Security Grant Program and the Nonprofit Security Grant Program. He stated those have yet to be processed, due to the DHS shutdown, and will still have to go through the investment justification review process. Those holds will be lifted whenever FEMA is allowed to do administrative work again.

Chair Compston, then spoke on EMPG. He indicated OEM will have sub-grant awards out next week but that does not change the fact that OEM won’t receive the money from FEMA, which would allow OEM to pass the funds to members. He indicated that this does allow OEM to get members the 2025 sub-grant awards.

Chair Compston updated members on OEM interactions with FEMA. He stated that communications have been sporadic, as FEMA is back to work only under emergency conditions, they're technically not allowed to operate under any other conditions. OEM/HS has been regularly attempting to interact with FEMA to try and get answers, administratively, on numerous pending issues, with occasional responses. He stated that, at the moment FEMA is unreliable due to their partial operational status. Any contacts regarding litigation won't be answered at all. He stated some sub-applicants have received random calls from FEMA, with OEM/HS attempting to intercede on behalf of the sub applicant, again with sporadic, rare responses. He stated that members should not count on any administrative business being done by FEMA until the shutdown is complete.

Chair Compston, then stated OEM is currently taking BRIC applications for 2024 and 2025, with established office hours ready to assist with this. He explained that BRIC is oriented towards infrastructure. So, if members have a project, he wants them to reach out to help build those applications. Mr. Compston wants to make sure every dollar made available is delegated and spoken for.

Chair Compston then moved to FMAG post-fire funding. He stated FEMA released an announcement last week that Nevada was receiving several hundred thousand dollars related to post-fire. This announcement was made public and not sent directly to the state. At this point, he could not tell exactly what the funds were for and what projects were approved. Additionally, due to the shutdown, he has not been able to get feedback from FEMA, but as soon as they have it, they will share it with members.

Chair Compston told members that the FEMA independent study website is open again. He indicated that whenever DHS reopens, there will be a flurry of activity related to past due grants, 2025 investment justification reviews, and the pushing of sub-rewards for 2025. He also expects the 2026 NOFOs to be released. He anticipates this will happen at the peak of summer during a major fire; he asked everyone to be prepared.

6. Bylaw Review

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, stated it was time to review the NRAC bylaws, as it had been some time since this had taken place. Members were provided with two versions, the last approved version, done in 2022, and a proposed set of changes from Chair Compston. He indicated the only substantive change was a change in the name, from Division of Emergency Management (DEM) to the Office of Emergency Management. He pointed out that it does list DEM in the first paragraph, because it was DEM at the time that NRAC was created in 2019.

There were no questions or comments on the proposed changes to the bylaws.

Chair Compston asked for a motion to approve. Solome Barton, City of North Las Vegas, approved the motion. Lee Cabaniss, Elko County Emergency Management seconded. All were in favor.

7. Public Comment

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, opened the second period of public comment.

Chair Compston stated that in reviewing the 2018 consolidation report that was completed by

Chief Cage, et al, with the recommendation to create the NRAC, OEM realized that, over the course of the years, a number of suggested consolidations have not been continued by the Committee. As a result, OEM is going through the process of re-establishing a predictable and repeatable rhythm that will ensure that NRAC is meeting all of its NRS requirements that were intended from the 2018 consolidation recommendations and formation of the Committee in 2019. Chair Compston's plan is that every quarter, a prescribed list of items would be continually worked on. He wanted to provide this update to members to verbalize what his plan and intentions are regarding this, keeping NRAC on course for why it was established.

8. Adjournment

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, called for a motion to adjourn.

Joe Colacurcio, Washoe County Sheriff's Office, made a motion. Kelly Echeverria, Washoe County Emergency Management seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.