



Meeting Minutes Nevada Fuel Resiliency Committee

Attendance	DATE		Tuesday, January 13, 2026		
	TIME		10:00 AM		
	METHOD		Zoom		
	RECORDER		Loren Borst		
Brett Compston	X	Dr. Kristopher Sanchez	X	Vinson W. Guthreau	ABS
Cathy Reheis-Boyd	X	Nathan P. Bouvet	X	Lindsay Anderson	X
Jae Pullen	X	J.J. Goicoechea	X	Assemblyman Bert Gurr	X
Dwayne McClinton	X	Robert Ghiglieri	X		
Stephanie Mullen	X	Jennifer Carr	X		
Brian O'Neal	X	Senator Robin L. Titus	X		
Drew Spence	X	Tiffany K. Roberts	X	Paul J. Enos	X
Allen Fore	X	Casey Sullivan	X	Jeffrey Glasgow	X
Chris Adams	X	Joseph Biscardi	X	Allison Robinson	X
Steve Leshner	X	Miranda Hoover	X		
Samantha Ladich – Senior Deputy Attorney General			Office of the Nevada Attorney General		X
Loren Borst – Administrative Assistant			Nevada Office of Emergency Management		X
Chase McNamera			Governor's Policy Advisor on Natural Resources		X
Gracie Garrett			Governor's Policy Advisor on Natural Resources		X
Rick Perdomo			Advisor to NDEP Administrator		X

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

2. Public Comment

Brett Compston, OEM/HS, opened the first period of public comment.

Matthew Winterhawk, local Nevadan, spoke of strengthening the long-term resilience of the state. Mr. Winterhawk began by saying Nevada is unique due to being landlocked, with rapidly growing population, critical tourism, logistics corridors, large rural distances, and increased strain on emergency services. He noted the importance of fuel reliability and the direct effects to families, classrooms, first responders and the cost of living in all 17 counties. He went on to note Nevada's dependency on external fuel systems, particularly to supply chains originating outside Nevada borders introducing structural risk due to over-concentration. Mr. Winterhawk asked, as the committee consider whether to generate a fuel analysis product, they consider the scope analysis to include an evaluation of Nevada-based resiliency options including north and south fuel storage capacity. He concluded by saying the analysis should consider the following: rural access and fuel availability, school district transportation and operating costs alongside emergency response readiness, workforce infrastructure sustainability and a rate consideration for families who pay downstream costs.

Mr. Compston closed the first period of public comment.

3. Review of Open Meeting Law Requirements

Mr. Compston, OEM/HS, reviewed open meeting law requirements due to the mix of government and industry partners to set expectations to maintain compliance. He outlined the meeting as open and noted all discussion is to remain focused on items on the agenda only. He also noted under NRS 239C.140(2) the committee may close meetings when receiving sensitive security information that could compromise, jeopardize, or otherwise threaten the safety of the public. When voting all motions must be made verbally and by voting-members only and is restricted to items labeled for possible action on the agenda. During the election of leadership, a roll call vote will be taken if there is more than one nominee for Chair or Vice-Chair.

There were no questions. Mr. Compston moved on to the following agenda item.

4. Introduction of Members

Mr. Compston asked the members for a short introduction of themselves to the public and other members. Mr. Compston began noting he is a native Nevadan and administrator OEM/HS serving as Homeland Security Advisor (HSA) to the Governor. He is a retired Army Colonel with 25 years of service, 9 active duty and 16 in the Nevada National (NVNG) Guard. During the 2020 Covid response he served as incident commander for the NVNG. He is also a Certified Emergency Manager (CEM).

Cathy Reheis-Boyd, CEO Sadhana Solutions, has 40 years of experience in the energy industry. 35 years serving the Western States Petroleum Association where she was CEO for 15 years of her tenure there. During that time, she covered the states of Nevada, Arizona, Washington, Oregon, and California and now resides in Carson City. She is excited to be part of the fuel resiliency effort saying times are challenging and improving reliability and resiliency is going to be crucial.

Jae Pullen, Assistant Director of Operations for the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT), has 20 years with the agency, a native Nevadan with family ties to Las Vegas. He has

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spent his career supporting operations to keep Nevada roads open. His current role manages and facilitates Nevada's current state fueling system that supports other state agencies.

Dwayne McClinton, Director of the Nevada Governor's Office of Energy (GOE), is a Marine Corps veteran with over two decades in energy. Starting as a technician, working his way up to management, to business development, then policy making for over a decade and a half. He has resided in Nevada for almost 20 years.

Stephanie Mullen, Executive Director of the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (PUCN), has been director for over a decade. PUCN is a regulatory agency that oversees a broad range of utility services in Nevada such as electric, natural gas, telecommunications, and water and wastewater. They don't monitor or regulate transportation fuels, though they do work and partner with PHMSA to ensure the safety of Nevada's natural gas infrastructure such as the Call Before You Dig program. PUCN oversees pipeline permitting and inspections, and monitors rail safety in the state.

Nathan P. Bouvet, Strategic Project Manager for the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED), his current role is to advance the Governor's state plan through economic development, infrastructure, land use, and targeted industry growth. He sits on a variety of boards, committees, and other advisory roles throughout the state. He has over 20 years in local government, leadership, planning, and development and has been a consultant for over 10 years. He is an Air Force veteran with a Masters in Public Administration and a Bachelors in Community Development giving him a focus on infrastructure, delivery, coordination, and economic development.

J.J. Goicoechea, Director of the Nevada Department of Agriculture, is a veterinarian that started with the state 10 years ago, he served 3 terms as County Commissioner in Eureka. He referenced the need for the Department of Agriculture to be on the Commission because they monitor and regulate motor fuel.

Robert Ghiglieri, Administrator of the Nevada Department of Minerals (NDOM), is a geologist that started his career in precious metal exploration in the state. Later he transitioned to a state employee where he has been for 13 years. NDOM permits all oil, gas, and geothermal drilling within the state of Nevada, as well as track all oil and gas production. He looks forward to bringing in perspective from the Commission on Mineral Resources who have experts in the oil and gas industry.

Jennifer Carr, Administrator of the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), has been with NDEP for 29 years, 3 of which have been spent as the administrator. She is a civil engineer licensed with the state; part of her role in the division is sitting on the Petroleum Fund Board for reviewing petroleum fund insurance claims for underground storage tanks and other releases along the same lines. NDEP is a regulatory agency charged with preserving and enhancing Nevada's air, water, and land. NDEP provides regulatory services for environmental laws and regulations, permitting and the like. They also have the water and wastewater infrastructure financing program and bring a bit of the financing side as well for

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large infrastructure projects.

Dr. Kristopher Sanchez, Director of Business and Industry (B&I), noted they are Nevada's regulatory agencies, with a total of 12 regulatory agencies and 67 Boards and Commissions. He has served as Director for 2 years with appointment from the Governor and spent 12 years at the Governor's Office of Economic Development, 7 of which were as Director of International Trade. Prior to that he worked on the "Hill" as a defense liaison at Armed Services, Intel, Homeland Security, Veterans Affairs, and the Transportation Committee.

Senator Robin Titus, Senator for Nevada Legislator representing the 17th District, the 17th district represents 6 rural Nevada counties. Her family have been Nevadans since the 1860s, though she was not born in Nevada she was raised here. She is formally trained as a medical doctor but is on the Committee due to the amount of vehicle travel that happens throughout the roads within her district. She also represents mining, the military bases, and agricultural communities, all of which use a lot of fuel.

Lindsay Anderson, Director of Government Affairs for the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority, is a native-born Nevadan. She acknowledged that as a representative of the airports she is aware that they do not use a lot of fuel, but their primary tenants, which are airlines in operation, use a tremendous amount of aviation and jet fuel. They did experience a shortage in 2021 which she characterized as catastrophic, she is looking forward to preventing that in the future. She wants to make sure other airports across the state have their voices heard and feel a part of the conversation.

Chief Brian O'Neal, Clark County Emergency Manager and Deputy Fire Chief with the Clark County Fire Department, has 23 years of experience in the Las Vegas Fire Department, and has been a resident of Southern Nevada for 28 years. He has a background in the fire service, emergency response, and incident management team response for incidents that are beyond the capability of the fire department, and a Homeland Security background from a few years spent with the Southern Nevada Counterterrorism Center. Chief O'Neal has experience in disaster response locally, pandemic experience and response, and national response through the Nevad Task Force One team and has retained membership to the team for the last 10 years, he is also a CEM.

Assemblyman Bert Gurr, Nevada State Assembly District 33, District 33 is the eastern portion of the state consisting of 5 counties totaling over 50,000 square acres. He has been a licensed real estate broker since 1979, and a licensed salesman since 1974. He has lived in Eastern Nevada for 75 years. He has represented realtor issues in Legislature and has been the Legislative Chair twice. He currently serves his second term with plans to run for a third. Additionally, he has sat on the wildlife advisory boards and Real Estate Commission for 6 years.

Mr. Compston, OEM/HS, introduced Vicent W. Guthreau, Executive Director of the Nevada Association of Counties (NACC), however he was not present at the meeting. Mr. Compston went on to ask the non-voting members of the committee to introduce themselves, starting

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with Mr. Drew Spence.

Mr. Spence, Vice President of Product Supply and Trading for H.F. Sinclair, has over 20 years of experience in the energy business. He also currently represents his company as a member of the WSPA Board.

Allen Fore, Vice President with Kinder Morgan, is responsible for state and local government relations and affairs for all their assets in 43 states. He's been very involved with Nevada over the last several years with their asset portfolio and terminals in Reno, the Sparks area, and Las Vegas.

Chris Adams, General Manager of Fuels Optimization for the West with Chevron, covering Nevada and California refineries is part of his role. He has a strong background in refinery optimization and supply chain management. He noted Chevron has a very large presence in Nevada, and thus he is happy to be a part of the Committee.

Steve Leshner, Manager of Corporate and Government Relations for Shell USA on the West Coast, manages 8 states, noting Nevada is one of the most important fuel markets in the country. He has 22 years of experience working with Shell, all in external facing roles, getting projects permitted, and working with communities and state and local government. Prior to working for Shell, he worked in the California Legislature and in the U.S. House of Representatives, prior to that he was an appointee of Governor Pete Wilson for a portion of his administration in California. He grew up splitting his time in California and Nevada and considers himself to have dual citizenship of both states.

Tiffany Roberts, Director of Phillips 66 (P66), noted they are the 4th largest refiner in the U.S. and own and operate pipelines and infrastructure around the country. She has a background in economics and global energy security. She has worked for almost 20 years in the energy sector in both public and private sector capacities, working at the local government level, and in the California Legislature before moving to the Western States Petroleum Association. There she served as the Vice President of Regulatory Affairs covering multiple states including Nevada. Currently she manages government engagement, and government affairs for P66. She served in the Peace Corps in Turkmenistan and the lack of consistent access to energy is a driving force for her enthusiasm to join the Committee.

Allison Robinson, Director of Supply and Trading for U.S. Energy, manages the West Coast, Rockies, and Mexico. She has been in the industry for 20 years working in multi-modal forms of transportation. U.S. Energy is a customized energy solution provider that owns 35 plus terminals in the U.S. and ships on all the major pipelines and are active in all major markets.

Casey Sullivan, Government and Public Affairs Manager at Marathon Petroleum Corporation, lives in Anchorage, as a 4th generation Alaskan and oversees Alaska, Arizona and Nevada. Marathon Petroleum is the largest refining company in the U.S. operating 13 refineries across 12 states. He's been in the public and government affairs world for over 30 years, with 15 directly in the oil and gas industry.

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Joseph Biscardi, Vice President of Supply Chain Optimization PBF Energy, has almost 35 years in the energy industry. They are new to Nevada but one of the largest petroleum refiners in the U.S. In 2016, they purchased the Torrance refiner from Exxon. They make transportation fuels for Nevada residents in the Las Vegas area. In 2020, they purchased the Shell Martinez refinery to create transportation fuels for the Nevada residents in Reno.

Miranda Hoover, State Executive Director of the Energy and Convenience Association of Nevada (ECAN), says the association represents all liquid fuels, lubricant distributors, transporters, retailers, and all convenience stores in the state. They have been actively engaged in the fuel resilience conversation since February of last year.

Paul Enos, CEO of the Nevada Trucking Association, is a 3rd generation Nevadan, raised in Elko but has lived in Reno for the last 31 years. The trucking industry moves 95.3% of all the manufactured tonnage in the state. He noted the impact of pipelines going down and said trucks are never enough to make up for the capacity of the pipeline, it is the best way to move fuel. They worked with Senator Titus in the last Legislative session and are proud to be a part of the overall benefit the Committee will have for future generations in Nevada.

Jeffrey Glasgow, Fuel Procurement and Logistics General Director at the Union Pacific Railroad (UP), is from Omaha, Nebraska. They have 2 major rail lines that go through northern and southern Nevada. Mr. Glasgow has multiple decades of experience leading UP's fuel procurement and logistics, and has experience with shipping fuels via rail, pipeline, truck and barge, as well as a lot of knowledge of Nevada with purchasing fuels.

Mr. Compston welcomed the members and moved on to the next agenda item.

5. Review of Charter and Governor's Guidance

Mr. Compston started with a review of the directions provided by the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security regarding the creation of the Committee and its objectives. He noted the mission statement is to secure Nevada's transportation fuel supply by identifying vulnerabilities, strengthening infrastructure, diversifying fuel sources, and ensuring statewide readiness in the face of regional refinery closures, supply disruptions, and national security threats.

The 5 objectives are to assess risks, enhance infrastructure, engage industry, strengthen emergency readiness, and advise the Governor. The 10 items they are directed to consider when advising the Governor are: Nevada's current and projected fuel supply vulnerabilities, impacts of California refinery conversions and closures, pipeline capacity constraints and operational risks, storage expansion needs and opportunities, emergency response and continuity of operations fuel requirements, stakeholder needs, public-private partnerships and financing options, Federal permitting, regulatory and funding opportunities, Statutory, regulatory, or administrative actions to improve resiliency, and any issue deemed relevant by the Chair of the Committee in furtherance of the Committee's objectives.

Mr. Compston then introduced Chase McNamara, Governor's Policy Advisor on Natural Resources, to review the guidance provided by the Governor to elect committee leadership.

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Mr. McNamara read the letter, in which it stated what a critical role collective expertise will play in identifying vulnerabilities and advancing practical, long-term solutions to strengthen fuel reliability. To support that effort the Governor respectfully recommended Mr. Compston be elected Chair and Cathy Reheis-Boyd as Vice-Chair due to both their extensive knowledge and expertise. The Governor's letter acknowledged NRS239C.170 allowing the committee to select its own Chair and Vice-Chair from its members, it supported the committee's authority and autonomy in making the decision.

Chief Brian O'Neal, Clark County Fire Department, agreed with the Governor's suggestions read by Mr. McNamara. Having an Emergency Manager as a Chair to collaborate the various pieces and bring everyone together is an important consideration. He also stated that Ms. Reheis-Boyd's experience with the private sector seemed like a good fit to help support Mr. Compston.

With no further comment, Mr. Compston closed the agenda item to open election of leadership.

6. Election of Leadership

Mr. Compston, OEM/HS, opened for Chair nominations. Senator Titus, Nevada Legislator, nominated Mr. Compston as Chair. J.J. Goicoechea, Department of Agriculture seconded. All were in favor.

Chair Compston opened for Vice-Chair nominations. Senator Titus nominated Cathy Reheis-Boyd. Rob Ghiglieri, NDOM, seconded the motion. All were in favor.

There was no discussion, the agenda item was closed.

7. Determination of whether to close the meeting

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, asked for a motion to close the meeting. J.J. Goicoechea, Administrator of the Department of Agriculture, made a motion. Assemblyman Bert Gurr seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was closed to the public.

8. Closed Session

- **Presentation on the Nevada fuel environment and system and the related deficiencies in security**

[Redacted – Closed Session Pursuant to NRS 239C.140]

- **Security briefing from industry partners**

[Redacted – Closed Session Pursuant to NRS 239C.140]

9. Determination on whether to re-open meeting

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, reopened the meeting.

10. Fuel Analysis Product

Chair Compston, OEM/HS, opened for discussion on the options for how to move forward based

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on the analysis from 2023 and early 2024 presented in closed session.

Jennifer Carr, NDEP, stated that a million to 1.8 million more people in Las Vegas are expected in the next 50 years, and that's the planning horizon. So, without knowing what the state demographic numbers are, in addition to looking at meeting current needs and our resiliency, there needs to be consideration for exacerbating current concerns if future growth is not addressed as well.

J.J. Goicoechea, Department of Agriculture, added that growth in the gold, the mining industry, and energy development is also expected to grow in the rural areas and that needs to be accounted for as well. The fuel consumption for agriculture, mining, and energy development need to be included in the updated product. He continued by saying there needs to be consideration for National Security, noting the Naval Air Station in Fallon and Nellis in the south, there is a need to ensure supply of fuel to them in both times of peace and emergency.

Dr. Kristopher Sanchez, Business and Industry, added future infrastructure projects, such as the airport expansion in Southern Nevada, to be added to the analysis product along with any other major projects that are going on across the state.

Chief Brian O'Neal, Clark County Fire Department, suggested dividing the Committee into working groups to tackle some of the Governor's recommendations offline then report their findings back to the Chair or the Committee.

Rob Ghiglieri, NDOM, mentioned his agency did a similar report, not on this scale, but for copper processing within the state. One of the aspects to look at is permitting requirements for any alternatives that are addressed by both state and federal.

Co-Chair Reheis-Boyd, CEO of Sadhana Solutions, made a motion to update the fuel analysis product heard in closed session and add future impacts to Nevada within the analysis. J.J. Goicoechea, Department of Agriculture, seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Chair Compston moved on to discuss next steps. In terms of the working groups, it was decided that members try to utilize what resources they have to come up with conceptual ideas of areas of focus and then develop the working groups at the next meeting. Senator Titus kept notes on legislative changes that could be necessary to incorporate in new bills, she encouraged members to let her know if there are liability, permitting, or obstructing issues that come up when pursuing efforts related to the Committee.

Chair Compston noted a budget for the Committee's recommendation and efforts is needed but doesn't stop the discussion.

11. Public Comment

Chair Compston opened the second period of public comment.

There was no public comment.

12. Adjournment

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

Co-Chair Reheis-Boyd, CEO of Sadhana Solutions, motioned to adjourn. Rob Ghiglieri, NDOM, seconded the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:55 PM.

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