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Department: Board of County Commissioners	Agenda Date:
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Action requested: (Include what, with whom, when, where, why, how much (\$) and terms)

Discussion and deliberation to select the liaison option for Commissioner Blundo on the Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board as appointed to the liaison position by the Board of Commissioners on January 22, 2020.

Complete description of requested action: (Include, if applicable, background, impact, long-term commitment, existing county policy, future goals, obtained by competitive bid, accountability measures)

The Liaison options for the Nevada Site Specific Advisory Committee are as follows:

Option 1 – Full Liaison: This option allows for liaison organizations to have a voice in Board discussions and input into recommendations. This option heavily relies on liaisons attending NSSAB meetings (see enclosure for responsibilities).

Option 2 - Limited Liaison: This option allows for liaison organizations to observe NSSAB activities by receiving meeting minutes, monthly reports, NSSAB recommendations, and DOE responses. This option does not allow for a formal seat on the Board or DOE travel reimbursement.

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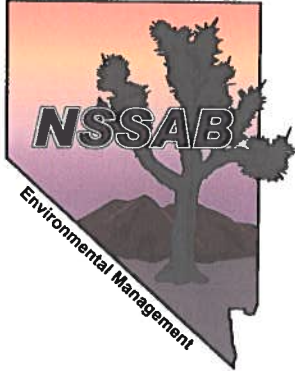
Expenditure Impact by FY(s): (Provide detail on Financial Form)

No financial impact

Routing & Approval (Sign & Date)

1. Dept	Date	6.	Date
2.	Date	7. HR	Date
3.	Date	8. Legal	Date N/A
4.	Date	9. Finance	Date N/A
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Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board

July 1, 2020

Commission Chairman John Koenig
Nye County Commission
2100 E. Walt Williams Dr., Suite 100
Pahrump, NV 89048

REQUEST FOR ANNUAL CONFIRMATION FOR LIAISON POSITION ON THE
NEVADA SITE SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD (NSSAB)

Dear Commissioner Koenig,

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the NSSAB value the role that liaisons fill on the Board by providing their organization's perspective and viewpoints on Environmental Management (EM) Nevada Program activities at the Nevada National Security Site. At the request of the NSSAB members, a letter will be sent annually to all current liaison organizations (both Full and Limited) requesting they reconfirm their interest and availability in sponsoring a liaison position on the NSSAB.

We understand that several liaisons have considerable distances to travel for NSSAB meetings, and there are ongoing budget constraints. As a result, DOE will offer travel reimbursement for invitation travel. The list of eligibility requirements and responsibilities regarding DOE travel reimbursement can be accessed on the NSSAB website at www.nss.gov/NSSAB/pages/references.htm. Additionally, the DOE offers two ways for organizations to stay apprised of NSSAB activities:

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By September 1, 2020, please contact the NSSAB Office at (702) 523-0894 or via e-mail at nssab@emcbc.doe.gov to confirm which liaison option will work best for your organization and who will be the point of contact. **We will assume that no response indicates your organization no longer chooses to participate as a liaison on the Board.**

Members

Amina Anderson
Frank Bonesteel (Chair)
William DeWitt
Karen Eastman
Pennie Edmond
Charles Fullen
Richard Gardner (Vice-Chair)
Anthony Graham
Tanya Henderson
Donald Neill
Steve Rosenbaum
Janice Six
Richard Stephans
Richard Twiddy
Dina Williamson-Erdag

Liaisons

Clark County
Consolidated Group of Tribes
and Organizations
Elko County Commission (limited)
Esmeralda County Commission
Lincoln County Commission
Nye County Commission
Nye County Emergency
Management
Nye County Nuclear Waste
Repository Project Office
State of Nevada Division of
Environmental Protection
U.S. National Park Service (limited)

Administration

Kelly Snyder, Deputy Designated
Federal Officer (DDFO)
U.S. Department of Energy,
EM Nevada Program
Barbara Ulmer, Administrator
Navarro, Contractor for the U.S.
Department of Energy,
EM Nevada Program

Please contact me at (702) 523-0894 if you have any questions or if further information is needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara K. Ulmer".

Barbara K. Ulmer, NSSAB Administrator

cc w/encl. via e-mail:

Samantha Tackett, Administrative Manager

Leo Blundo, Commissioner

Donna Cox, Commissioner

Debra Strickland, Commissioner

Lorinda Wichman, Commissioner

Rob Boehlecke, EM

Catherine Hampton, EM

Bill Wilborn, EM

Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB) Background Information

The NSSAB is a U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) advisory board comprised of volunteers from urban and rural communities near the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS). The Board is federally-chartered to review and provide feedback on radioactive waste management disposal and transportation activities, the effects of historic nuclear testing on the groundwater at the NNSS, and other environmental remediation activities.

In addition to Board members, liaison positions are in place to ensure adequate representation of governmental, tribal, and other relevant entities. Although liaisons do not have the authority to vote on NSSAB recommendations, they are a valuable Board resource. Liaisons have the opportunity to participate in Full Board and committee meetings by offering their affiliation's perspective and viewpoints on Environmental Management (EM) Nevada Program activities at the NNSS.

Currently, the following entities have liaison representatives on the NSSAB: Consolidated Group of Tribes and Organizations, State of Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Clark County, Elko County Commission (Limited), Esmeralda County Commission, Lincoln County Commission, Nye County Commission, Nye County Emergency Management, Nye County Nuclear Waste Repository Project Office, and U.S. National Park Service (Limited). Full Board meetings typically occur in the evenings on the third Wednesday of the month in Clark or Nye County. Committee meetings may occur in day or evening hours.

Liaison Responsibilities per the Standard Operating Procedures

The Board requests that liaisons make the following commitments:

1. To define and communicate clearly to the Board the respective decision-making processes of the entities they represent;
2. To provide timely access to information pertinent to EM and associated environmental issues and related decision making;
3. To inform the Board in a timely and proactive manner of entity processes, programs, projects, and activities pertinent to the Board's mission and purpose;
4. To provide a short, verbal report on organization's EM activity at each full Board meeting. If liaison is unable to attend the full Board meeting, a written report will be submitted to the NSSAB Administrator via email two days prior to the full Board meeting.