

Small Business Impact Disclosure

LCB File No. R124-24

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Note: Small Business is defined as a "business conducted for profit which employs fewer than 150 full-time employees" (NRS 2338.0382).

1. Does this proposed regulation impose a direct and significant economic burden upon a small business? {state yes or no. If no, please explain and submit the applicable documentation, which can also be addressed in #8 on the SBIS and simply referred to; and if yes, reference the attached S81S)

No. Affected entities (Nevada water systems applying for Capital Improvement Grant funds) may or may not constitute a "business" as defined by NRS 233B.0382 - the Division cannot predict whether future applicants will be affected financially. In addition, the proposed regulation expands the list of recipients eligible to receive program funds. Because the funds are grants, the customers of newly eligible recipients could receive modest economic benefit. This proposed regulation does not impose new fees; however, the proposed regulations do clarify that grant funds may not be used to pay program fees.

2. Does this proposed regulation restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a small business? {state yes or no. If no, please explain and submit the applicable documentation, which can also be addressed in #8 on the SBIS and simply referred to; and if yes, reference the attached S81S)

No. This proposed regulation expands the list of recipients eligible to receive program funds.

If "Yes" to either of question 1 & 2, a SBIS must be noticed and available at the public workshop.

SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT (NRS 233B.0609)

(Provide attachments as needed)

- 1. Describe the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of the response from small businesses and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**
(Attach copies of the comments received and copies of any workshop attendance sheets, noting which are identified as a small business.)

The Agency's assumptions and conclusions were covered during the public workshop process. Comment was solicited through a workshop held in Carson City and video conferenced to Las Vegas. Notices of the workshop and an invitation for comments were posted in county public libraries, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) buildings in Carson City and Las Vegas, the NDEP website, the Legislative Council Bureau's website, and the official State website. The workshop notice was also emailed to an extensive distribution list maintained by NDEP's Office of Financial Assistance (OFA).

- 2. The manner in which the analysis was conducted (if an impact was determined).**

The agency determined that small businesses would not be impacted (see Small Business Impact Disclosure #1 and #2).

- 3. The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on small businesses:**

The proposed the proposed regulations expand the eligibility of the program to well-head abandonment and septic-to-sewer conversion projects, and to governmental bodies for the development of Water Resource Plans. They also clarify and streamline some processes, update fee and grant scale language, and align state regulations with Nevada Revised Statutes. There is no expected economic effect on grant recipients or small businesses.

- A. Both adverse and beneficial effects

Not applicable (see above).

- B. Both direct and indirect effects:

Not applicable (see above).

- 4. A description of the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the**

proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of the methods. (Include a discussion of any considerations of the methods listed below.)

Not applicable.

A. Simplification of the proposed regulation:

Not applicable (see above).

B. Establishment of different standards of compliance for a small business:

Not applicable (see above).

C. Modification of fees or fines so that a small business is authorized to pay a lower fee or fine:

See above.

5. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation. (Include a discussion of the methods used to estimate those costs.)

The proposed changes would not have a significant economic impact on the agency.

6. If this regulation provides for a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and manner in which the money will be used.

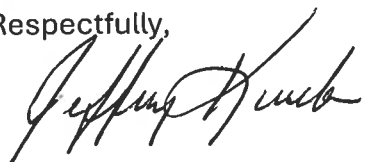
The proposed regulations do not introduce any new fees.

7. If the proposed regulation includes provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, provide an explanation of why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary.

The proposed regulations are not more stringent than federal regulations.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge or belief, a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and that the information contained within the statement was prepared properly and is accurate.

Respectfully,

 Deputy
Administrator

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