

# STATE 4-H CAMP ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Nevada Revised Statutes** (NRS) [550.010](#) through [550.100](#)

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## COUNCIL MEMBERS

4-H Camp Advisory Council is composed of 12 members, as follows:

- Four members from the leaders of 4-H clubs in this State, elected by the leaders;
- Two members appointed by the President of UNR;
- Four members designated from among its members by the Nevada Farm Bureau; and
- Two members from the Agricultural Extension Service, elected by the county agents.

## POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR (NRS 550.050)

1. The Director, under the supervision and control of the Board of Regents, is authorized and directed:
  - (a) To care for, manage, and develop all property, lands, buildings, and equipment of the State 4-H Camp;
  - (b) To make uniform regulations for the use and occupancy thereof, not contrary to the provisions of this chapter, giving priority of use first to Nevada 4-H club members and second to other youth groups of the State; and
  - (c) To attend to the entire business and financial affairs of the State 4-H Camp, including submission of a specific budget to the Board of Regents for the development, operation, and management of the property.
2. To that end, the Director shall cooperate with the State 4-H Camp Advisory Council, the State 4-H Leaders' Council, youth organizations, farm organizations, counties, and cities in this State, and other private or government organizations or individuals deemed advisable in order to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

## BACKGROUND

### LEGISLATION

Assembly Bill 239 (Chapter 117, Statutes of Nevada 1947) established the State 4-H camp institute and State exhibit of boys' and girls' club work as a State institution. The title of AB 239 indicates the camp was recognized as ... a part of the cooperative work undertaken by the State of Nevada in pursuance to the State acceptance of the Smith-Lever Act of Congress approved May 8, 1914.

The legislation provided that the functions of the camp and institute were to improve rural life by teaching boys and girls:

- The standards of life embodied in the creed of 4-H clubs; and

- The means of making a living in agriculture and home economics.

According to documents housed in the Research Library, the original 4-H Camp property consisted of 30 acres. It was obtained under a warranty deed to the Nevada State Farm Bureau in December 1938 at a cost of \$13,500, paid from the Nevada County Extension Fund. In December 1947, another 3.29 acres were purchased from the Fund and the State of Nevada received the title. In September 1953, the title of the original 30-acre site was transferred to the State.

In 1965, Senate Bill 12 (Chapter 144, Statutes of Nevada) vested title of the camp in the Board of Regents under the direction of the Agricultural Extension Service. The measure also revised the purpose of the camp to provide a living environment in which to stimulate the development of citizenship and leadership.

## LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

No legislative histories of AB 239 or SB 12 have been compiled. Committees did not keep minutes during those sessions.

## REPORTS TO THE LEGISLATURE

No reports to the Legislature are required pursuant to Chapter 550 ("State 4-H Camp") of NRS.

## **REVIEWED BY THE SUNSET SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION**

The Sunset Subcommittee reviewed the 4-H Camp Advisory Council on [April 21, 2016](#). The Subcommittee voted to recommend the Council's continuation without any statutory changes.

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