



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: June 24, 2025

**DATE:** June 06, 2025

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**THROUGH:** Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommend that the Board of County Commissioners adopt the 2025 Washoe County Regional Emergency Operation Plan (REOP). The REOP provides a framework within which the Regional Partners (Washoe County, City of Reno, City of Sparks, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Northern Nevada Public Health, Washoe County School District, and University of Nevada, Reno, Northern Command) can plan and perform their emergency functions during a disaster or emergency. Authorization for the County Emergency Administrator to update the plan as necessary; and if approved, authorize the Chair to execute Resolution necessary for the same. Manager (All Commission Districts) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The Regional Emergency Operations Plan is a confidential document, exempt from public disclosure, pursuant to NRS239C.210.

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## **SUMMARY**

*The item requests that the Board of County Commissioners adopt the 2025 version of the Washoe County Regional Emergency Operations Plan (REOP) and authorize the County Emergency Administrator authority to update the plan as necessary, and if adopted authorize the Chair to execute a Resolution concerning same.*

**Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item:** Economic Impacts:  
Support a thriving community.

## **PREVIOUS ACTION**

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020** – The County Commission adopted the 2020 Washoe County Regional Emergency Operations Plan and executed a resolution to promulgate the plan.

**April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016** – The County Commission adopted the 2016 Washoe County Regional Emergency Operations Plan and executed a resolution to promulgate the plan.

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**January 2012** – The County Commission adopted the 2008 Washoe County Regional Emergency Operations Plan and executed a resolution to promulgate the plan.

**October 2008** – The County Commission adopted the 2008 Washoe County Regional Emergency Operations Plan and executed a resolution to promulgate the plan.

### **BACKGROUND**

*The Washoe County Regional Emergency Operations Plan (REOP) describes how Washoe County and each of the regional partners will operate during times of crisis and describes how the partners will join together at the Regional Emergency Operations Center (REOC). The National Incident Management System (NIMS) guidelines require jurisdictions to officially adopt emergency plans. This formal process allows Washoe County to be in NIMS compliance and remain eligible for federal emergency preparedness grant funding.*

*Since October of 2008, the Washoe County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security has worked closely with regional partners (City of Reno, City of Sparks, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Northern Nevada Public Health, Washoe County School District, and University of Nevada, Reno, Northern Command) to maintain the REOP with minor yearly revisions.*

*The Washoe County Regional Emergency Operations Plan (REOP) addresses each of the local jurisdictions' procedures, the Regional Emergency Operations Center (REOC), and associated systems (such as regional notifications, technology, damage assessment, and mapping).*

*Since the plan is a living document, the Washoe County Emergency Administrator will need authority to make routine updates. These updates include ensuring that the emergency plan reflects appropriate State and Federal emergency management doctrine, and other routine changes that keep the plan relevant. Any major policy changes desired by the regional emergency managers will be brought before the County Commission prior to implementation.*

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

*No fiscal impact*

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Recommend that the Board of County Commissioners adopt the 2025 Washoe County Regional Emergency Operation Plan (REOP). The REOP provides a framework within which the Regional Partners (Washoe County, City of Reno, City of Sparks, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Northern Nevada Public Health, Washoe County School District, and University of Nevada, Reno, Northern Command) can plan and perform their emergency functions during a disaster or emergency. Authorization for the County Emergency Administrator to update the plan as necessary; and if approved, authorize the Chair to execute Resolution necessary for the same. Manager (All Commission Districts) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

*“Move to accept the recommendation to adopt the 2025 Washoe County Regional Emergency Operation Plan (REOP) and its annexes. The REOP provides a framework within which the Regional Partners (Washoe County, City of Reno, City of Sparks, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Northern Nevada Public Health, Washoe County School District, and University of Nevada, Reno, Northern Command) can plan and perform their emergency functions during a disaster or emergency. Authorization for the County Emergency Administrator to update the plan as necessary; and if approved, authorize the Chair to execute Resolution necessary for the same.”*