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			TYPE OF ACTION New		MAILING DATE 07/24/2025
PAYMENT METHOD: ASAP		ACH# 90104			
RECIPIENT TYPE: County			Send Payment Request to: Contact EPA RTPFC at: rtpfc-grants@epa.gov		
RECIPIENT: WASHOE COUNTY 1001 E. Ninth St. Building D RENO, NV 89512 EIN: 88-6000138			PAYEE: WASHOE COUNTY 1001 E. Ninth St. Building D RENO, NV 89512		
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PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION FY-25 Air Pollution Control Program See Attachment 1 for project description.					
BUDGET PERIOD 10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025		PROJECT PERIOD 10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025		TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST \$ 2,248,130.00	
				TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST \$ 2,248,130.00	
NOTICE OF AWARD <p>Based on your Application dated 07/30/2024 including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby awards \$ 717,617.00. EPA agrees to cost-share 31.92% of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$ 717,617.00. Recipient's signature is not required on this agreement. The recipient demonstrates its commitment to carry out this award by either: 1) drawing down funds within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date; or 2) not filing a notice of disagreement with the award terms and conditions within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. If the recipient disagrees with the terms and conditions specified in this award, the authorized representative of the recipient must furnish a notice of disagreement to the EPA Award Official within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. In case of disagreement, and until the disagreement is resolved, the recipient should not draw down on the funds provided by this award/amendment, and any costs incurred by the recipient are at its own risk. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA regulatory and statutory provisions, all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.</p>					
ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)			AWARD APPROVAL OFFICE		
ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS U.S. EPA, Region 9, U.S. EPA, Region 9 Grants Branch, MSD-6 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105			ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS U.S. EPA, Region 9, Air and Radiation Division, AIR-1 R9 - Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105		
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY					
Digital signature applied by EPA Award Official Rede Shifferaw - Acting Grants Management Officer					DATE 07/21/2025

FUNDS	FORMER AWARD	THIS ACTION	AMENDED TOTAL
EPA Amount This Action	\$ 0	\$ 717,617	\$ 717,617
EPA In-Kind Amount	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Unexpended Prior Year Balance	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Federal Funds	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Recipient Contribution	\$ 0	\$ 1,530,513	\$ 1,530,513
State Contribution	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Local Contribution	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Contribution	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Allowable Project Cost	\$ 0	\$ 2,248,130	\$ 2,248,130

Assistance Program	Statutory Authority	Regulatory Authority
66.001 - Air Pollution Control Program Support	Clean Air Act: Sec. 105	2 CFR 200, 2 CFR 1500, 40 CFR 33 and 40 CFR 35 Subpart A

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Site Name	Req No	FY	Approp. Code	Budget Organization	PRC	Object Class	Site/Project	Cost Organization	Obligation / Deobligation
-	2509M7S019	25	E1	09M4	000A04	4112	-	-	\$ 717,617
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Budget Summary Page

Table A - Object Class Category (Non-Construction)	Total Approved Allowable Budget Period Cost
1. Personnel	\$ 1,203,731
2. Fringe Benefits	\$ 673,907
3. Travel	\$ 59,781
4. Equipment	\$ 0
5. Supplies	\$ 4,450
6. Contractual	\$ 0
7. Construction	\$ 0
8. Other	\$ 294,901
9. Total Direct Charges	\$ 2,236,770
10. Indirect Costs: 0.00 % Base : see General T/C	\$ 11,360
11. Total (Share: Recipient <u>68.08</u> % Federal <u>31.92</u> %)	\$ 2,248,130
12. Total Approved Assistance Amount	\$ 717,617
13. Program Income	\$ 0
14. Total EPA Amount Awarded This Action	\$ 717,617
15. Total EPA Amount Awarded To Date	\$ 717,617

Attachment 1 - Project Description

This agreement provides funding to Northern Nevada Public Health Air Quality Management Division (AQMD) in its efforts to implement air pollution control programs and maintain healthy air throughout Washoe County. Specifically, the recipient will operate and maintain established ambient air quality monitoring stations to collect and report accurate air quality information and monitor ambient air quality for comparison to National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). The recipient will also coordinate with state and federal agencies on completing federal and state air planning requirements to maintain healthy air throughout the county. Additionally, the recipient will assure that air pollution sources are properly regulated and are in compliance with all permit conditions, standards, and regulations through an effective and timely permitting, inspection, compliance, and enforcement process.

This assistance agreement provides full funding in the amount of \$717,617. Pre-award costs are approved back to 10/1/2024. See terms and conditions.

The recipient will implement activities within the scope of the Section 105 program including: 1) implementing national priorities as defined in EPA national guidance and consistent with EPA's Strategic Plan; 2) actions mandated by statute or regulation; 3) Program activities delegated to the recipient (state, local or tribe) for which EPA provides section 105 grant funding. The activities include analysis and planning for maintenance of national ambient air quality standards NAAQS; control strategy development and implementation; ambient air quality monitoring; inventory of emissions; regulation development and implementation; non-Title V related permitting and enforcement; public outreach; air pollution data analysis and management; air pollution prevention activities; and other innovative approaches to pollution reduction.

The anticipated deliverables include reporting quality assured data, administering an air permitting program, coordinating with state and federal agencies on air quality planning requirements, and enforcing air regulations in a manner that ensures equal protection.

The expected outcomes include maintaining air quality that meets the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS), and a broadened awareness of air quality programs that are established to address the attainment and maintenance of the NAAQS, as well as immediate and emerging threats to public health and welfare from air pollution (CAA 105(a)).

The intended beneficiaries include county residents who will have decreased exposure to criteria air pollutants.

No subawards are included in this assistance agreement.

Administrative Conditions

Administrative Conditions "A" thru "C" below apply. In addition please refer to the paragraph below for General Terms and Conditions.

General Terms and Conditions

The recipient agrees to comply with the current Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) general terms and conditions available at: <https://www.epa.gov/grants/epa-general-terms-and-conditions-effective-october-1-2024-or-later>

These terms and conditions are in addition to the assurances and certifications made as a part of the award and the terms, conditions, or restrictions cited throughout the award.

The EPA repository for the general terms and conditions by year can be found at: <https://www.epa.gov/grants/grant-terms-and-conditions#general>.

A. Federal Financial Reporting (FFR)

For awards with cumulative project and budget periods greater than 12 months, the recipient will submit an annual FFR (SF 425) covering the period from "project/budget period start date" to **September 30** of each calendar year to the EPA Finance Center in Research Triangle Park, NC. The annual FFR will be submitted electronically to rtpfc-grants@epa.gov no later than **December 30** of the same calendar year. Find additional information at <https://www.epa.gov/financial/grants>. (Per 2 CFR § 200.344(b), the recipient must submit the Final FFR to rtpfc-grants@epa.gov within 120 days after the end of the project period.)

The recipient shall identify non-federal, non-recurrent expenditures in Block 12 (Remarks) of the FFR or include the information as an attachment to the FFR on a separate page. The recipient also agrees to include a statement certifying that supplanting did not occur.

B. Procurement

The recipient will ensure all procurement transactions will be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition consistent with 2 CFR § 200.319. In accordance with 2 CFR § 200.324, the recipient and subawardee(s) must perform a cost or price analysis in connection with applicable procurement actions, including contract modifications. ***State and Tribal government entities must follow procurement standards as outlined in 2 CFR § 200.317.***

C. Cost-Share Requirement and Maintenance of Effort

The required minimum recipient cost share for this assistance agreement is 40% of total project costs, or Maintenance of Effort (MOE) level of \$1,530,512 (**final MOE for FY-24**), whichever is greater. The assistance agreement may reflect a percentage shown under the "Notice of Award" section which is based on estimated costs requested in the recipient's application.

Programmatic Conditions

a]. PERFORMANCE REPORTING AND FINAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Performance Reports – Content

In accordance with 2 CFR 200.329, the recipient agrees to submit performance reports that include brief information on each of the following areas: 1) A comparison of actual accomplishments to the outputs/outcomes established in the assistance agreement work plan for the period; 2) The reasons why established outputs/outcomes were not met; and 3) Additional pertinent information, including, when appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns or high-unit costs. Additionally, the recipient agrees to inform EPA as soon as problems, delays, or adverse conditions which will materially impair the ability to meet the outputs/outcomes specified in the assistance agreement work plan are known.

Interim performance and final progress reports must prominently display the three Essential Elements for state work plans: 1) Strategic Plan Goal; (2) Strategic Plan Objective; and (3) Workplan Commitments plus time frame. (See [Grants Policy Issuance 11-03 State Grant Workplans and Progress Reports](#) for more information)

Performance Reports - Frequency

Semi-annual performance reports are required to be submitted electronically to the EPA Project Officer due within 30 days after the reporting period (every six-month period). The reporting periods are October 1 - March 31 and April 1 - September 30. The recipient must submit the final performance report no later than 120 calendar days after the end date of the period of performance.

b]. Cybersecurity Condition

(a) The recipient agrees that when collecting and managing environmental data under this assistance agreement, it will protect the data by following all applicable State or Tribal law cybersecurity requirements.

(b) (1) EPA must ensure that any connections between the recipient's network or information system and EPA networks used by the recipient to transfer data under this agreement, are secure. For purposes of this Section, a connection is defined as a dedicated persistent interface between an Agency IT system and an external IT system for the purpose of transferring information. Transitory, user-controlled connections such as website browsing are excluded from this definition.

If the recipient's connections as defined above do not go through the Environmental Information Exchange Network or EPA's Central Data Exchange, the recipient agrees to contact the EPA Project Officer (PO) no later than 90 days after the date of this award and work with the designated Regional/Headquarters Information Security Officer to ensure that the connections meet EPA security requirements, including entering into Interconnection Service Agreements as appropriate. This condition does not apply to manual entry of data by the recipient into systems operated and used by EPA's regulatory programs for the submission of reporting and/or compliance data.

(2) The recipient agrees that any subawards it makes under this agreement will require the subrecipient to comply with the requirements in (b)(1) if the subrecipient's network or information system is connected to EPA networks to transfer data to the Agency using systems other than the Environmental Information

Exchange Network or EPA's Central Data Exchange. The recipient will be in compliance with this condition: by including this requirement in subaward agreements; and during subrecipient monitoring deemed necessary by the recipient under 2 CFR 200.332(d), by inquiring whether the subrecipient has contacted the EPA Project Officer. Nothing in this condition requires the recipient to contact the EPA Project Officer on behalf of a subrecipient or to be involved in the negotiation of an Interconnection Service Agreement between the subrecipient and EPA.

c]. Competency of Organizations Generating Environmental Measurement Data

In accordance with Agency Policy Directive Number FEM-2012-02, Policy to Assure the Competency of Organizations Generating Environmental Measurement Data under Agency-Funded Assistance Agreements, Recipient agrees, by entering into this agreement, that it has demonstrated competency prior to award, or alternatively, where a pre-award demonstration of competency is not practicable, Recipient agrees to demonstrate competency prior to carrying out any activities under the award involving the generation or use of environmental data. Recipient shall maintain competency for the duration of the project period of this agreement and this will be documented during the annual reporting process. A copy of the Policy is available online at <https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-03/documents/competency-policy-aaia-new.pdf> or a copy may also be requested by contacting the EPA Project Officer for this award.

d]. Geospatial Data Standards

All geospatial data created must be consistent with Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) endorsed standards. Information on these standards may be found at <https://www.fgdc.gov/>.

e]. QUALITY ASSURANCE

Authority: Quality Assurance applies to all assistance agreements involving environmental information as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 1500.12 Quality Assurance.

1. Quality Management Plan (QMP)

a. Prior to beginning environmental information operations, the recipient must:

- i. Submit a previously EPA-approved and current QMP,
- ii. The EPA Quality Assurance Manager or designee (hereafter referred to as QAM) will notify the recipient and EPA Project Officer (PO) in writing if the QMP is acceptable for this agreement.

b. The recipient must submit the QMP within 60 days after grant award.

c. The recipient must review their approved QMP at least annually. These documented reviews shall be made available to the sponsoring EPA organization if requested. When necessary, the recipient shall revise its QMP to incorporate minor changes and notify the EPA PO and QAM of the changes. If significant changes have been made to the Quality Program that affect the performance of environmental information operations, it may be necessary to re-submit the entire QMP for re-approval. In general, a copy of any QMP revision(s) made during the year should be submitted to the EPA PO and QAM in writing when such changes occur. Conditions requiring the revision and resubmittal of an approved QMP can be found in section 6 of EPA's Quality Management Plan (QMP) Standard.

2. Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP)

Prior to beginning environmental information operations, the recipient must:

- i. Submit a previously EPA-approved QAPP proposed to ensure the collected, produced, evaluated, or used environmental information is of known and documented quality for the intended use(s).
- ii. The EPA Quality Assurance Manager or designee (hereafter referred to as QAM) will notify the recipient and EPA Project Officer (PO) in writing if the previously EPA-approved QAPP is acceptable for this agreement.

For Reference:

- [Quality Management Plan \(QMP\) Standard and EPA's Quality Assurance Project Plan \(QAPP\) Standard](#); contain quality specifications for EPA and non-EPA organizations and definitions applicable to these terms and conditions.
- [EPA QA/G-5: Guidance for Quality Assurance Project Plans](#).
- [EPA's Quality Program](#) website has a [list of QA managers](#), and [Specifications for EPA and Non-EPA Organizations](#).
- The Office of Grants and Debarment [Implementation of Quality Assurance Requirements for Organizations Receiving EPA Financial Assistance](#).

f]. Use of Logos

If the EPA logo is appearing along with logos from other participating entities on websites, outreach materials, or reports, it must **not** be prominently displayed to imply that any of the recipient or subrecipient's activities are being conducted by the EPA. Instead, the EPA logo should be accompanied with a statement indicating that the **Northern Nevada Public Health, Air Quality Management Division** received financial support from the EPA under an Assistance Agreement. More information is available at: <https://www.epa.gov/stylebook/using-epa-seal-and-logo#policy>

g]. DURC/iDURC

The recipient agrees to not initiate any life sciences research involving agents and toxins identified in Section 6.2.1 of the [United States Government Policy for Institutional Oversight of Life Sciences Dual Use Research of Concern](#) (iDURC Policy) until appropriate review and clearance by the recipient institution's Institutional Review Entity (IRE). The recipient also agrees to temporarily suspend life sciences research in the event that, during the course of the research project, the IRE determines that the life sciences research meets the definition of DURC in the iDURC Policy, and the recipient agrees to notify the EPA Institutional Contact for Dual Use Research (ICDUR) (DURC@epa.gov) of the institution's determination.

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