## INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO COLLABORATE ON THE ALL-IN COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE ACTION PLAN IN SOUTHERN NEVADA

This Interlocal Agreement is made and entered into this <u>11</u>th day of <u>Fanuary</u>. 20<u>24</u>, by and between Clark County, the City of Boulder City, the City of Henderson, the City of Las Vegas, the City of Mesquite, the City of North Las Vegas, the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, and the Southern Nevada Water Authority, which are political subdivisions of the state of Nevada ("Participating Entities"). This Interlocal Agreement sets forth a collaborative approach by which the Participating Entities aim to further the actions recommended in the All-In Community Sustainability and Climate Action Plan in Southern Nevada.

WHEREAS, Southern Nevada continues to be one of the nation's fastest growing regions, expected to add another eight hundred thousand to one million residents by 2060;<sup>1</sup> and

WHEREAS, increased greenhouse gas emissions in the atmosphere have already led to changing climate conditions, including prolonged periods of extreme heat, drought, flash flooding, and wildfires in the region; and

WHEREAS, failing to address these challenges may adversely impact such basic quality of life elements as economic prosperity, public safety, education, transportation, recreation and culture, the natural environment, and health care; and

WHEREAS, these challenges transcend governmental jurisdictional boundaries; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to preserve the infrastructure, air quality, and natural resources in Southern Nevada as we continue to grow and develop; and

WHEREAS, intergovernmental collaboration has proven to be an efficient and effective approach to address many of these challenges and establish resiliency planning for the future; and

WHEREAS, NRS 277.180 authorizes public agencies to contract with each other to perform any governmental service, activity or undertaking which any of the public agencies are authorized by law to perform which includes the services, activities, and undertakings contemplated by this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Clark County Department of Environment and Sustainability developed a Community Sustainability and Climate Action Plan with participation from all incorporated cities and regional government agencies, which was adopted by the Clark County Board of Commissioners in April 2023, and outlines goals and actions for climate resiliency and greenhouse gas emissions reduction efforts through 2050; and

WHEREAS, climate action and commitments are supported in the region through efforts such as the City of Las Vegas' 2050 Master Plan, and which are further supported by commitments and actions taken by Southern Nevada cities and regional agencies through their own processes;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Participating Entities agree as follows.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> UNLV Center for Business and Economic Research, 2022 – 2060 Population Forecasts: Long-Term Projections for Clark County, Nevada, June 2022.

The Participating Entities intend to work collaboratively to further the actions recommended in the All-In Community Sustainability and Climate Action Plan and other existing and potentially subsequent plans developed through programs such as the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program.

- 1. As appropriate, the goals of the Interlocal Agreement are to:
  - (a) Foster Convening and Capacity Building: Coordinate strategies and actions, share lessons, discuss challenges, build partnerships, and receive expertise from others to build upon our current understanding and capacity for addressing climate change through our organizations.
  - (b) **Deliver Regional Public Education and Outreach**: Coordinate on a regional approach to public education and stakeholder engagement on issues related to climate planning and actions.
  - (c) Take Action on Climate Solutions: Produce and house regional and downscaled climate data, perform analyses to make better informed decisions, commission necessary research from academia and research organizations, and track regional progress toward climate goals. Develop models and plans, policies, and joint projects that result in a more coordinated regional response to climate change.
  - (d) **Share and Leverage Resources**: As appropriate and as authorized by each Participating Entity, share financial, human, and technological resources to further the shared goals of the region, including applications for new funding opportunities that yield regionally beneficial outcomes.
- 2. The Participating Entities may agree to pursue additional funding opportunities, either jointly or individually, related to the CPRG program or as may be approved or funded by US EPA or other Federal agencies.
- 3. Participation in this Interlocal Agreement is voluntary and is limited to local and regional units of government in Clark County. Additional governmental agencies, businesses, and other non-governmental organizations may be invited to participate in efforts, as needed.
- 4. Participating entities may act, at the discretion of their staff or governing body, to facilitate policy and action alignment across jurisdictions while respecting independent decision-making authority and power.
- 5. Actions identified through this Interlocal Agreement may be implemented at the discretion of the Participating Entities and their respective governing boards.
- 6. Participating Entities intend to share in technical expertise and data collection, as appropriate, pertaining to energy conservation, water conservation, and other climate-related initiatives.
- 7. Clark County intends to house regional data and analyses to track regional progress on climate action.
- 8. The Participating Entities agree to collaborate on priority topics where climate solutions are imperative. Examples of such priority topics include: Clean and Reliable Energy, Connected and Equitable Mobility, Diverse and Circular Economy, Resilient and Healthy Community, Smart Buildings and Development, and Sustainable Water Systems.
- 9. This Interlocal Agreement becomes effective the date on which all Participating Entities have approved and executed this Interlocal Agreement. Any Participating Entity may exit this Interlocal Agreement with 30 days' written notice.
- 10. Each Participating Entity agrees to identify at least one primary contact to actively represent the Entity in furtherance of this Interlocal Agreement.

11. This Interlocal Agreement may be signed in one or more counterparts and all counterparts taken together shall constitute a signed Interlocal Agreement. Each copy of the Interlocal Agreement signed by an authorized signatory may be deemed an original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Participating Entities have executed this Interlocal Agreement by their duly authorized representatives.

**Clark County:** 

Date of Commission Action:

## CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

nov. 7, 2023

BY: JAMES B. GIBSON

Chair

Attest:

LY GOYA County Clerk

Approved as to Form: Steven Wolfson, District Attorney

CATHERINE JORGENSON Departy District Attorney **City of Boulder City:** 

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November 30, 2023

Attest: Tami McKay, City Clerk

Joe Hardy, Mayor

Date

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Brittany Walker City Attorney

## **City of Henderson:**

Date of City Council Action:

November 7, 2023

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Michelle Romero, Mayor

Date

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Jose Luis Valdez, City Clerk

Date

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Maria Gamboa, Director of Finance

Date

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City of Las Vegas:

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Attest: LuAnn Holmes, City Clerk

Carolyn & Goodman, Mayor

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Date

Approved as to form <u>John S. Riduelan</u> 11/9/23 John S. Ridilla Date Deputy City Attorney

City of Mesquite:

Attest: Julie Goodsell, Deputy City Clerk Allan Litman, Mayor Date

City of North Las Vegas: am Attest: Jackie Rodgers, City Clerk

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Pamela Goynes-Brown, Mayor

Date

Micaela R. Moore, City Attorney

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## **Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada:**

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF SOUTHERN NEVADA

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: Justin Jonus 134746B11CDF44C...

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RTC Legal Counsel

01-11-2024

Dated

ATTEST:

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<u>—67F25985C7F8458...</u> MARIN DUBOIS Government Affairs Supervisor



Southern Nevada Water Authority:

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Attest: Greg Walch, General Counsel

Marilyn Kirkpatrick, Chair

Date