

## *Silver State Summary* by Peter Krueger/NPM&CSA President Jeremy Bautista

***A lot has happened*** since our last article. The Governor and key democrat legislators continue to be consumed by the Nevada Green House Gas (GHG) report. Link to the complete report: [https://ndep.nv.gov/uploads/air-pollutants-docs/ghg\\_report\\_2019.pdf](https://ndep.nv.gov/uploads/air-pollutants-docs/ghg_report_2019.pdf). Bottom line is the transportation sector is the villain, the number one source of GHG emissions in Nevada.

From the Reno Gazette Journal 2/2/2020: Patrick Donnelly, Nevada director for the Center for Biological Diversity said, “*We think the point has passed where we can hand (sp) someone a check and hope they will do the right thing. We are now at the point where we need to be mandating immense cuts to carbon emissions.*”

The Governor’s report released in January, 2020 concludes that Nevada will not reach its 2025 GHG reduction goals. The report recommends that Nevada adopt California emissions standards, reduce vehicle miles travelled, implement trip reduction for large employers, increase fuel taxes and adopt a low carbon fuel standard.

Nevada is working closely with refiner groups such as WSPA to develop a strategy to offer meaningful alternatives to the Governor’s yet to be announced plan. The up-shot is that NPM and WSPA are on the same page when it comes to the NV GHG report: Carbon Tax, LCFS as well as Cap and Trade. WSPA has the money to help craft a meaningful response for 2021 legislation. As part of that effort, we will have three or four marketers working directly with WSPA on efforts to educate and craft legislation that works for our members.

In light of the above, NPM&CSA will host a key legislative issues presentation on **May 7th** in Las Vegas. Our co-sponsor will be WSPA. We intend to have marketers with story boards to explain our position on transportation and energy issues that are likely to come before lawmakers in the 2021 session.

In June 2013, the Governor’s Office of Energy released the NV Energy Assurance and Emergency Plan. Here is a link to the entire plan: <http://energy.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/energynvgov/content/PDF-to%20send-EA%20PLAN%20and%20Appendices.pdf>.

The problem is that the Energy office failed to consult with anyone in the petroleum industry or tell us the plan existed. NPM&CSA only became aware of the plan in September 2019, during an ethanol shortage in northern Nevada. Since September we have been dogging the Energy Office for answers. The good news is that the plan will be updated this year and the Department of Agriculture has been tasked to rewrite the petroleum portion of the plan. This is important to us!

### **2020 BIG DOGS HOWL (Postponed)**

***The 2020 edition of Big Dogs Howl***, originally scheduled for May 7-8, 2020, has been postponed until **October 1-2**. Biz bowling to occur on Thursday evening and Friday morning golf has been changed from Siena to **Arroyo Golf Club**. Dates have been adjusted due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

For the last three years Nevada Marketers have hosted fellow marketers, suppliers and vendors at this unique marketing event. Bowling is the perfect venue to meet and greet new customers, and say thank you to current customers. Golf is the place to “make the close” on future business. Stay tuned to updates, if you want to be part of this unique event and grow your business, come to Nevada’s Big Dog’s Howl in Las Vegas, more details to come soon.

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