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Clark County Goes All-In on Community Sustainability and Climate Action Plan

The Clark County Commission today adopted the All-In Clark County Community Sustainability and Climate Action Plan to address climate change impacts in Southern Nevada. Increases in extreme heat days, drought conditions, wildfires and flash flooding are impacting the health, economy and safety of Clark County.

The All-In Clark County Plan charts a strategic path for the region's municipalities, business sector, utilities, community organizations and individuals to collaborate on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and building a more sustainable, climate resilient Clark County for present and future generations.

The All-In Clark County Plan focuses on six key areas to reach sustainability and climate resilience goals:

1. Clean and reliable energy.
2. Connected and equitable mobility.
3. Diverse and circular economy.
4. Resilient and healthy community.
5. Smart buildings and development.
6. Sustainable water systems.

The passage of the All-In Clark County Plan culminates a process that began in October 2019 when Clark County joined the County Climate Coalition, which pledges to uphold the greenhouse gas emission reduction goals of the Paris Agreement. Along with joining the County Climate Coalition, the County Commission charged the Department of Environment and Sustainability with developing a comprehensive plan to combat the impacts of climate change in Southern Nevada. It is the second phase of All-In Clark County.

The first phase, the All-In County Operations Plan, was adopted in February 2021 by the County Commission to address Clark County's internal operations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and implement more sustainable practices across its 38 departments.

County leaders stress the importance of the All-In Clark County Plan representing the community's core values while improving the region's climate resilience and sustainability.

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“From the very beginning, it was crucial that All-In Clark County be a collaborative effort with local government, business and industry leaders, community organizations and concerned individuals each having a seat at the table,” said Clark County Commission Chairman Jim Gibson. “We’re committed to working together in an equitable and transparent manner to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions while balancing continued economic growth with our environmental and social resilience goals.”

“The All-In Clark County Plan is the region’s first comprehensive roadmap to address climate change and create a more sustainable future for our community,” said Clark County Commission Vice Chairman Justin Jones. “With the adoption of the All-In Clark County Plan, we’re taking important steps to address climate change and protect our community’s economic, environmental and social resilience.”

“The plan is about more than just clean air and water. It covers affordable housing, green jobs, reliable energy and quality of life,” said Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick. “These are all the key pieces we need in place to secure the well-being and prosperity of Clark County.”

“It was critical to Clark County that the plan truly reflects the needs and priorities of the region,” said Marci Henson, director of the Department of Environment and Sustainability. “We want to thank everyone who participated in each step of the planning process and contributed to the plan.”

Learn more about the plan, its stakeholders and how people can get involved at AllinClarkCounty.com.

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About Clark County

Clark County is a dynamic and innovative organization dedicated to providing top-quality service with integrity, respect and accountability. With jurisdiction over the world-famous Las Vegas Strip and covering an area the size of New Jersey, Clark is the nation’s 11th-largest county and provides extensive regional services to 2.3 million citizens and 45.6 million visitors a year (2019). Included are the nation’s 8th-busiest airport, air quality compliance, social services and the state’s largest public hospital, University Medical Center. The County also provides municipal services that are traditionally provided by cities to 1 million residents in the unincorporated area. Those include fire protection, roads and other public works, parks and recreation, and planning and development.

About the Department of Environment and Sustainability

The Department of Environment and Sustainability is the air pollution control agency, regional Endangered Species Act compliance program, and sustainability office for all of Clark County, Nevada. Established as the Department of Air Quality by the Clark County Commission in 2001, it was renamed in 2020 and is comprised of two divisions: Air Quality and Desert Conservation Program. Through these two divisions, DES is ensuring the air we share meets healthful, regulatory standards, administering the County’s Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan and addressing climate change through the All-In Clark County initiative.