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# EPA Lead Regulation Not As Hard As It Sounds

**By Scott Alquist**

Nothing strikes fear in the hearts of contractors more than hearing, “Yep, looks like another government regulation hitting the industry.” The latest mandate is from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concerning lead Renovation, Repair and Painting (RR&P).

This RR&P rule, dating back to 1992, is riddled with government terms, such as: target housing, child-occupied facilities, mandatory containment and neurological disorders. For contractors with little exposure to government mandates, such terms may sound confusing and intimidating.

What the RR&P does is ensure that residents and occupants of target housing (any residence that was built prior to 1978) and child-occupied facilities (structures, such as schools and daycare centers built prior to 1978) are protected from dangers associated with lead exposure—

primarily dust—that could be generated during many types of renovation or repair activities.

Contractors probably fear that compliance will add huge costs to bids, or require massive amounts of training, paperwork and recordkeeping. Yes, there will be some extra costs, but nothing staggering.

In order to comply with this rule, companies must invest money upfront for extra equipment. This includes a HEPA vacuum - not a shop-vac with a HEPA filter - that costs approximately \$450. In addition, companies will also need a \$75 beater-bar attachment for the HEPA-vac for cleaning



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## Washoe County's New EZ Permit Process

Washoe County Building and Safety Department has started a new EZ Permit process. Contractors and homeowners can now obtain permits by sending a completed application to Building and Safety by fax or e-mail. Payment will be by credit card, with the permit card sent to the applicant via fax or e-mail. Permit types that presently qualify for EZ Permit are residential Utility, Re-roof and Demo permits.

Utility permits encompass water heaters, ACs, furnaces and any minor

plumbing, mechanical or electrical work not requiring plans. This will allow same-day permitting from your home or office. Applications submitted before 3 p.m. will be processed the same day, as long as the applicant is available for payment processing.

This is an interim step until Washoe County can rebuild its website to accept applications and payments online. Future enhancements include commercial

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### Mission Statement

The Nevada State Contractors Board is committed to promote the integrity and professionalism of the construction industry in Nevada.

The Nevada State Contractors Board has the responsibility to promote quality construction by Nevada licensed contractors through a regulatory licensing system designed to protect the health, welfare and safety of the public.

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## Lead Renovation ...

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carpeted areas. Additionally, disposable coveralls, duct tape and plastic sheeting will be needed.

A contractor must also pay for EPA-accredited RR&P training, which costs between \$175 and \$250 per person, depending on the training facility. The trained individual is then required to train non-certified workers on jobsites.

The last cost is a \$300 fee for an EPA certification, which is good for five years. The contractor must also be licensed by the Nevada State Contractors Board in the particular trade that the work requires.

Contractors should be aware that there will be stepped-up enforcement of the RR&P rules. Fines for non-compliance could run as high as \$32,500 per day/per violation, and if the EPA can prove the contractor willingly and knowingly circumvented the rules, an additional \$32,500 could be levied.

The EPA requires that a job file be kept with documentation that certain actions were taken. Such documentation may be

kept with digital photos. A contractor is not required to report back to the EPA after each RR&P job, only to the owner, but job files must be kept for three years.

For contractors who did not meet the April 22, 2010, deadline, there is good news. According to an EPA memo, workers and firms have been given an extension to comply with the rules. Due to a lack of accredited trainers and training facilities, and the EPA back-log in processing firm certification requests, the following new deadlines have been implemented:

**FIRMS** – Until Oct. 1, 2010, the EPA will take no enforcement action for violations of the RR&P rules certification requirement.

**WORKERS** – For violations of the RR&P rules renovation worker certification requirement, the EPA will not enforce against individual renovation workers, if the person has applied to enroll in, or has enrolled in, by no later than Sept. 30, 2010, for a certified renovator class to train contractors in practices necessary for compli-

ance with the final rules. Renovators must complete training by Dec. 31, 2010.

Contractors need to ensure that training is from an accredited training facility and follows the approved EPA/HUD curriculum and the hour requirements set forth in the regulations. For a full list of accredited facilities, go to: [www.epa.gov/getleadsafe](http://www.epa.gov/getleadsafe) or call: 1-800-424-LEAD.

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## Washoe County's ...

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versions of the above permits.

Small projects requiring plans are also being studied to see if they can be integrated into EZ Permits.

Please complete the Authorization to Sign for Building Permits. The authorizations are kept on file and do not need to be submitted with each permit application. The only time a new authorization is required is if it has expired or the information has changed.

For more information, contact: Mike McCullogh, M.C.P. Deputy Building Official at: (775) 328-2021.

## Clark County Adopts Revised Building Administrative Code

The Clark County Commission recently adopted a revised edition of the Building Administrative Code.

The new code, which became effective earlier this year, includes increased permit fees and establishes new plan review fees for the **express review of smoke control diagrams** and *all* plan revision types, including those reviewed at the department's public counters, proposed agency changes to an existing special inspection agreement and structural field fixes.

Prior to this change, Clark County had not charged plan review fees for these revision types.

*For more information or to download the revised Building Administrative Code, visit the Clark County Development Services' website at: <http://dsnet.co.clark.nv.us>*

# Here's What's Happening at the Board

## Margi Grein Appointed To NASCLA Board Of Directors

Margi Grein, Executive Officer of the Nevada State Contractors Board, was recently appointed to the National Association of State Contractors Licensing Agencies (NASCLA) Board of Directors.



of the general public. "I am delighted to have been appointed to NASCLA's Board of Directors," said Ms. Grein. "I look forward to working with the other board members to further the strategic goals of NASCLA during this crucial time for the construction industry."

John Curl, NASCLA President, and Angie Whitaker, NASCLA Executive Director, had this to say about Ms. Grein's appointment:

"On behalf of the National Association of State Contractors Licensing Agencies Executive Committee and Board of Directors, we are very pleased to have Margi Grein, Executive Officer of the Nevada State Contractors Board, appointed to the NASCLA Board of Directors for

FY 2009/2010. Ms. Grein has been instrumental in shaping the association. She brings a wealth of history and knowledge to the organization, since she has served as a NASCLA Past President and on the NASCLA Board of Directors for many years. NASCLA is looking forward to working with Ms. Grein for many years to come. Welcome Aboard!"

NASCLA membership currently includes 37 state agencies throughout 29 states. Twenty-five states have single agencies, and four states have multiple agencies.

For more information about NASCLA, go to: [www.nascla.org](http://www.nascla.org)

Founded in 1962, NASCLA is a non-profit corporation. Its membership is comprised of states that have enacted laws regulating the business of contracting. NASCLA is dedicated to the mutual assistance of its member states in striving for better regulation of the construction industry to protect the health, safety and welfare

### Fraudulent Licensing Renewal Scheme

Recently, contractors in South Carolina began receiving bogus license renewal notices with instructions to return their renewal fees to a Georgia address other than the official state licensing office. The renewals looked official, except for the return mailing address.

The Nevada State Contractors Board does not use a processing service for any renewals or payments. All application renewals for the Contractors Board should be sent to NSCB offices in either Henderson or Reno, NV:

Nevada State Contractors Board  
2310 Corporate Circle, Suite 200  
Henderson, NV 89074

Nevada State Contractors Board  
9670 Gateway Drive, Suite 100  
Reno, NV 89521

*Nevada contractors are alerted to this fraudulent renewal scheme and requested to report any such activity immediately to the Nevada State Contractors Board at: (702) 486-1144.*

### Residential Recovery Fund Awards Homeowners \$102K

The Nevada State Contractors Board Residential Recovery Fund Committee awarded 11 homeowners a total of \$102,217.90 from the Recovery Fund on July 28, 2010.

The Residential Recovery Fund offers protection to Nevada owners of single-family residences who conduct business with *licensed* contractors for the performance of any construction, remodeling, repair or improvement. An owner *must* occupy the residence to qualify.

Contractors are required by law (NRS 624.400 – 624.560) to provide information to a homeowner regarding the Residential Recovery Fund upon establishment of a residential contract with the homeowner.

# Here's What's Happening at the Board

## 23 Unlicensed Contractors Charged

The Nevada State Contractors Board charged 23 individuals for unlicensed activity during the month of July.

The Board used sting houses and other proactive enforcement techniques to identify the unlicensed contractors.

The Board is asking contractors to become involved in helping to protect their neighborhoods from unlicensed contractors by volunteering their homes for one-day use by undercover NSCB investigators for sting operations.

To learn more on how you can help stop illegal unlicensed contractors from targeting your neighborhood, contact:

- **Southern Nevada** - Kenny Peppley, Supervisor of Criminal Investigations, (702) 486-1144.

- **Northern Nevada** (Carson City, Fallon, Elko and other outlying areas) – Fred Schoenfeldt, Investigations Supervisor, (775) 850-7884.

Contracting without a license in Nevada is a misdemeanor for the first offense, a gross misdemeanor for the second offense and a Class E felony for the third offense

The Board recently launched the "**Unlicensed Contractor Awareness Campaign**" to help licensed contractors take-a-stand against unlicensed contractors.

By participating in the campaign, licensed contractors distribute and display NSCB brochures, along with a poster, in their businesses to help educate homeowners about the dangers of

hiring unlicensed contractors.

This packet of information includes samples of brochures, an Unlicensed Contractor Hotline card to report unlicensed contractors, handouts and a laminate "Unlicensed Contractor Awareness" poster.

To request your informational packet, please send your name, company's name, license number, address and phone number via e-mail to:

[nscb\\_news@lvcoxmail.com](mailto:nscb_news@lvcoxmail.com)  
**Attention: Ranya Botros**

## Richard Bryce, Jr. Added To Top 10 Wanted

**Richard W. Bryce, Jr., dba Northridge Remodeling**, has been added to the Nevada State Contractors Board's Ten Most Wanted.

Bryce, a former licensed Nevada contractor, license number 73081 (Carpentry, Remodeling & Repairs), based out of Reno, NV, had his license revoked for violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for diversion of funds; acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license and failure to establish financial responsibility.

A warrant for his arrest has been issued by Reno Justice Court on a felony *charge of diversion of funds*. He allegedly entered into a contract with a Washoe Valley homeowner for the installation of a 30- by 60-foot slab with a 10- by 60-foot apron, which was outside the scope of his license. The homeowner gave Bryce a \$9,750

deposit, which he did not return and did no work.

The Special Investigations Unit of the Nevada State Contractors Board is hard at work tracking and citing offenders and informing the public of their rights and responsibilities. To assist in prosecuting illegal contracting, the Board has launched an online "Ten Most Wanted."

Individuals listed on the Ten Most Wanted website pages are those who have outstanding arrest warrants for unlicensed contracting activity.

Contractors and members of the public can go online at: [www.nscb.state.nv.us](http://www.nscb.state.nv.us)



and click "Ten Most Wanted" to review suspects' profiles. The website includes contact numbers to provide information about the individuals profiled.

**The person(s) listed on the Nevada State Contractors Board Ten Most Wanted website and in press releases have not been convicted of the charges and are presumed innocent.**

## Board Disciplinary Actions: July 1-31, 2010

The Nevada State Contractors Board adjudicated the following cases from July 1-31, 2010.

**Big Valley Landscaping**, license number 39796 (Landscaping), based out of Gardnerville, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to take appropriate corrective action; failure to include the monetary license limit and license number on a contract or proposal; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license; failure to ascertain that each person whose bid on a construction project is appropriately licensed and failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit. The licensee was fined \$800, ordered to pay investigative costs and take corrective action to make the homeowner whole. The license remains suspended.

**Don Parsons Construction, LLC.**, license number 69869 (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Fernley, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$600; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

**Kurt Karl Krug, dba Great Basin Deck & Shade**, license numbers 72097 and 72813 (Awnings & Louvers and Carpentry, Remodeling & Repairs), based out of Carson City, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to take appropriate corrective action; failure to include the monetary license limit and license number on a contract or proposal; and acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license. The licensee was fined \$550; ordered to pay investigative costs and provide a current financial statement that supports the license limit.

**Eagle Roofing**, license number 54187 (Roofing), based out of Minden, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for willful disregard of the laws of the state regarding industrial insurance; misrepresentation; failure to respond to a written request from the Board; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$2,250 and ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

**Jacob William Felshaw, dba A B C Plumbing & Heating**, license number 73412 (Plumbing and Heating Cooling Circulating Air), based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to comply with a written request from the Board; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$1,000 and ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The

license was revoked.

**D Rockeries**, license number 62225 (Unclassified and Rockery Walls Only), based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for committing a fraudulent or deceitful act and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$2,000; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

**David M Clements Painting**, license number 69407 (Painting & Decorating), based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility. The license was suspended.

**C M D Contracting, Inc.**, license number 70019 (Carpentry), based out of Colorado City, AZ, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was fined \$750; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

**Fletcher Door & Trim, Inc.**, license number 72430 (Finish Carpentry), based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was fined \$750; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was suspended.

**Filakos, LLC., dba Glass Doctor of Las Vegas**, license number 72455 (Glass & Glazing), based out of Gilbert, AZ, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was fined \$750; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

**Jensen & Sons Construction of Nevada, LLC.**, license number 72519 (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of St. George, Utah, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was fined \$750; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

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**Southwestern Floors, LLC., dba Nevada Southwestern Floors**, license numbers 72625 and 72627 (Finish Carpentry, Wood Floors and Tiling), based out of Tempe, AZ, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was fined \$750; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The licenses were revoked.

**Advanced Home Theater, dba Accelerated Home Theater** license number 72800 (Low Voltage), based out of North Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was fined \$750; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

**Genoa Peak Electric, Inc.** license number 69774 (Electrical), based out of Genoa, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was fined \$750; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was suspended.

**Blue Rock Development, Inc.**, license number 72433 (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Incline Village, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was ordered to pay previously ordered fines.

**Equivest Services E I S, Ltd.**, license number 69943 (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Carson City, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$500 and ordered to pay investigative costs.

**Mac Services, Inc., dba Mac Roofing Services**, license number 42718 (Roofing & Siding), and **Shamrock Foam and Coatings, Inc.**, license number 74649 (Installing Urethane), both based out of Las Vegas, NV, were found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for misrepresentation of a material fact and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensees were fined \$1,000; ordered to pay investigative costs and provide a current financial statement that supports the license limits.

**Hahn Group, Inc.**, license number 57734A (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility and for a felony conviction involving a crime of moral turpitude. The licensee was fined \$2,500 and ordered to pay investigative costs. The

license was revoked.

**The Custom Cabinet Factory of New York, Inc.**, license numbers 69716 and 42339 (Residential & Small Commercial and Carpentry), based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to notify the Board of a bankruptcy; failure to establish financial responsibility; and for the partnership, corporation, firm or association participating in a prohibited act. The licensee was fined \$1,000; ordered to pay investigative costs and provide a current financial statement that supports the license limits. The licenses were suspended.

**S. C. M. Enterprises**, license numbers 53090 and 69198 (Painting and Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and for the partnership, corporation, firm or association participating in a prohibited act. The licensee was fined \$1,000; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The licenses were revoked.

**Pioneer Woodworking, LTD.**, license number 23274 (Finish Carpentry), based out of Las Vegas, NV, and **Sin City Millworks, LLC.**, license number 71164 (Finish Carpentry), based out of Henderson, NV, were found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to notify the Board of a change in personnel or address within 30 days of the change; failure to establish financial responsibility; and for the partnership, corporation, firm or association participating in a prohibited act. The licensees were fined \$1,500; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The licenses were revoked.

**Prime Contracting, Inc., dba Prime Contracting, Inc.**, license number 73311 and **Prime Contracting, Inc., dba Prime Grading & Paving**, license number 45403 (Residential & Small Commercial and Sealing & Striping of Asphaltic Surfaces, Excavating, Grading, Trenching & Surfacing, Wrecking Buildings, Sewers, Drains & Pipes, Paving Streets, Driveways & Parking Lots and Pipeline & Conduits for Water), both based out of North Las Vegas, NV, had their licenses revoked.

**Break-Em Excavation, LLC.**, license number 49305 (Excavating and Grading, Wrecking Buildings, Sewers, Drains & Pipes and Pipeline & Conduits), based out of North Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$500; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

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*D. M. K. Concrete, Inc.*, license number 64703 (Concrete Contracting), based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to respond to a written request from the Board and failure to establish financial responsibility. The license was revoked.

*Southwest Venture Group, LLC.*, license number 71948 (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Scottsdale, AZ, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$1,250; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

*Hyloft, Inc.*, license number 73178 (Carpentry, Remodeling & Repairs), based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility. The license was revoked.

*Walker Landscape, Inc.*, license numbers 51412, 46892, 60653 and 60654 (Concrete Contracting, Landscaping, Excavating and Grading, Masonry and Limited to Keystone Walls), based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to establish financial responsibility and for the partnership, corporation, firm or association participating in a prohibited act. The licensee was fined \$750; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The

licenses were revoked.

*Sergio Alvares*, license number 50486 (Carpentry), based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$500; ordered to pay investigative costs and make full restitution to all damaged parties and reimburse the Board for any monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund. The license was revoked.

**\*\*The Business Review Program is one in which a contractor's business practices and regulatory compliance is examined by NSCB investigative staff. The program is a part of NSCB's proactive investigative efforts.**

*The Nevada State Contractors Board is committed to protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through licensing and regulation of the construction industry. Under Nevada Revised Statutes, a licensee is subject to disciplinary action by the Board for failure to comply with the requirements of the laws or regulations governing contractors. Violations may result in Board action against the contractor's license. The State Contractors Board has the power to regulate contractors and discipline licensees who violate NRS 624. Disciplinary action may consist of a fine of up to \$10,000 per offense, order corrective action, suspension, revocation or other action.*

### City Of Henderson Building Department Clarifies Inspection Requirements

The City of Henderson Building and Fire Safety Department has been receiving calls from homeowners who are confused about a letter they received from the Building Department. The letter states that the permit for a new water heater, air conditioner or heating unit recently installed at their residence has expired or is about to expire in 30 days. A copy of this letter is also sent to the contractor. Adding to the confusion is a letter with a permit for work to be performed by the contractor, requesting the homeowner to call the City of Henderson to schedule an inspection.

Many homeowners said they believed when they purchased their replacement water heater, air conditioner or heating unit, the required permits and inspections were included as part of the installation by the contractor.

The required inspections (including the "Final Inspection") for a replacement water heater, air conditioner and heating unit can usually be performed with one visit to the site. If a permit is obtained from the City of Henderson Building Department, the contractor is considered the "permittee" and is responsible to

schedule the required inspections with the City of Henderson Building and Fire Safety Department and provide access to inspect work performed per the City of Henderson Administrative Code.

**It is not the responsibility of the homeowner to schedule inspections with the City of Henderson Building and Fire Safety Department.**

To schedule an inspection, call the automated inspection line at: (702) 267-3777 or visit our website at: [www.cityofhenderson.com/buildsafe](http://www.cityofhenderson.com/buildsafe)

## Criminal Cases Prosecuted: July 1-31, 2010

**Code:**

IC = Investigative Costs

F = Fine

R = Restitution

PB = Plea Bargain

*\* By Nevada law, the Nevada State Contractors Board has the authority to issue citations and pursue prosecution of individuals for violations ranging from contracting without a license to fraud. The following are the convictions and penalties imposed by the courts.*

<b>Southern Nevada</b>			
Gaisler, Gary, dba Gary's Lawn Service	\$500 F; IC	Montes, Anthony	IC
F A S Lawn Maintenance Landscaping	\$700 R; IC	Alarcon, Jose David	\$400 R; IC
Dingle, John, dba M J B Pool & Spa Service	PB	Castro, Gerardo L.	Conviction
Holder, Craig	\$500 F; IC	Coronado-Zepeda, Guillermo	Conviction
Howell Development, LLC.	PB	Fierro, Joel, dba America Landscape	PB
Jones, John P.	\$1,769 R; IC	Martinez, Juan	IC
Parsley, Andrew	\$2,980 R; IC	Morales-Garcia, Ricardo F.	IC
Puccio, Joseph	\$410 R	Vargas, Jason	\$1,600 R; IC
Sisson, Lance	\$300 F; \$1,000 R; IC		
<b>Northern Nevada</b>			
Dennis, Ralph Baucum	\$195 F; IC	Guerra-Chavez, Gledin Alejandro	Deported
Sanchez-Colin, Armando	\$503 F; IC	Sutton, Michael Myung	IC
Sohnrey, Douglas Wayne	\$640 F; IC	Wells, Leonard Justin	\$352 F
Spears, Michael Dyer	\$1,000 F; IC		

### Administrative Citations Paid July 1-31, 2010

*(Investigative Costs Also Assessed)*

Contractor	License #	Fine
Landscape Visions	63001 55221	\$1,250.00
Blue Lagoon Pools Contractors	46481	\$1,000.00
Exterior Designs of Nevada, LLC.	72804	\$500.00
Floor Coating Creations, Ltd.	52883	\$2,000.00
Genuine Quality Coatings	71872	\$500.00
Lars Storage Cabinet and Closet Designs	39144, 51160, 74211	\$500.00
Nevada Handyman Services	71891	\$1,000.00
Soebbing Flooring, Inc.	67440	\$250.00

### **Clark County To Require HVAC, Wood Framing Certification**

Effective Oct. 1, 2010, Clark County will require mechanical journeyman certification for residential and commercial light frame construction and journeyman wood framing certification for all aspects of wood framing.

The new Journeyman HVAC and Wood Framing Card programs are additions to Clark County's long standing Journeyman and Master Electrical and Plumbing Card programs. The new cards, like the existing cards, are qualification cards that are intended to ensure a competent level of supervision at job sites. In order to obtain any of the Clark County master or journeyman certification cards, individuals must pass a licensing exam that tests knowledge of a trade and applicable national and local building codes.

The contractor at every construction site is responsible to employ at least one Clark County-licensed journeyman or master tradesman of an appropriate category to perform independent work and to supervise lesser qualified individuals.

*For more information on Clark County's Master and Journeyman Card programs, visit the Clark County Development Services' website at: <http://dsnet.co.clark.nv.us> Click on the link to Building Services.*

## 2010 Nevada State Contractors Board Meetings

The following 2010 Nevada State Contractors Board meetings will take place at: 2310 Corporate Circle, Suite 200, Henderson, NV 89074 and 9670 Gateway Drive, Suite 100, Reno, NV 89521 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

- January 28, 2010
- February 25, 2010
- March 25, 2010
- April 22, 2010
- May 20, 2010
- June 17, 2010
- July 29, 2010
- August 26, 2010
- September 23, 2010
- October 21, 2010
- November 18, 2010
- December 16, 2010

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### UNR Energy Management Certificate Program

Cutting-edge resource management tools, energy-saving efforts and green technologies that provide returns on investments in businesses and organizations are being offered at the University of Nevada, Reno.

The 10-session, 30-hour Energy Management Certificate Program offered by Extended Studies at UNR provides the latest energy resource management, green building and sustainability technologies, regulatory compliance issues, cost-reduction strategies and methods for increasing returns on investment. The program offers training in real-world energy and money-saving strategies to reduce dependence on non-renewable resources, and improve the bottom line.

Developed for building managers, facility/operations managers, construction planners, engineers, maintenance personnel, small business owners, entrepreneurs and others interested in energy resources, this certificate program will help you better manage energy use in your business or organization to reduce energy costs and increase profits.

The program is offered **Sept. 14-Nov. 16, 2010; Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m.** at UNR’s Redfield Campus, 18600 Wedge Parkway, Reno. Cost is \$900 by Aug. 25 and \$1,050 after Aug. 25 (Fee includes instructional materials, refreshment breaks and parking.) Sched.#: 104CEM101

To register online, visit and search by course/program title at: <http://www.extendedstudies.unr.edu> or register by phone at: (775) 784-4062 or 1-800-233-8928.



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