

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CHURCHILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

155 N. Taylor St., Fallon, NV 89406

August 7, 2025

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 AM on August 7, 2025.

PRESENT: Commissioner Myles Getto, Chair
Commissioner Eric Blakey, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Matt Hyde
County Manager Chris Spross
Comptroller Sherry Wideman
Deputy District Attorney Joseph Sanford
Deputy Clerk to the Board Pamela D. Moore

ABSENT: Clerk/Treasurer Linda Rothery

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the board and public.

Public Comment:

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Verification of the Posting of the Agenda:

It was verified by Pamela D. Moore, Deputy Clerk of the Board, that the Agenda for this meeting was posted on the 1st day of August, 2025, between the hours of 1:00 and 5:00 PM at all of the locations listed on the Agenda, in accordance with NRS 241.

Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Agenda as submitted or revised:

Commissioner Matt Hyde made a motion to approve the Agenda as submitted.

Commissioner Eric Blakey seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on:

A- April 16, 2025 - Appeal Hearing.

The Minutes of the appeal hearing held on April 16, 2025, are presented for the board's consideration and approval. Staff shortages in the Clerk/Treasurer's office have caused delays to the completion of Minutes and the board is asked to make this finding as cause for the delay in completing Minutes by this office.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Commissioner Eric Blakey made a motion to find that staff shortages in the Clerk/Treasurer's office have caused delays to the completion of Minutes and to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on April 16, 2025 as presented. Commissioner Matt Hyde seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

B- June 5, 2025.

The Minutes of the meeting held on June 5, 2025, are presented for the board's consideration and approval. Staff shortages in the Clerk/Treasurer's office have caused delays to the completion of Minutes and the board is asked to make this finding as cause for the delay in completing Minutes by this office.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Commissioner Eric Blakey made a motion to find that staff shortages in the Clerk/Treasurer's office have caused delays to the completion of Minutes and to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on April 16, 2025 as presented. Commissioner Matt Hyde seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

C- June 24, 2025 - Joint Workshop with the Planning Commission.

The Minutes of the joint workshop held with the Planning Commission on June 24, 2025, are presented for the board's consideration and approval. Staff shortages in the Clerk/Treasurer's office have caused delays to the completion of Minutes and the board is asked to make this finding as cause for the delay in completing Minutes by this office.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Commissioner Eric Blakey made a motion to find that staff shortages in the Clerk/Treasurer's office have caused delays to the completion of Minutes and to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on April 16, 2025 as presented. Commissioner Matt Hyde seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Appointments:

A- Consideration and possible action re: City of Fernley's Temporary Applications 94356, 94357, 94358 and 94359 filed by Resource Concepts, Inc. to change the point of diversion, place of use, and manner of use of a portion of existing Permit 80184 from an underground source located in Lyon County, Nevada to a new point of diversion and place of use in Churchill County, Nevada.

The City of Fernley through their agent, Resource Concepts Inc., filed Temporary Applications 94356, 94357, 94358 and 94359 on April 29, 2025. The applications propose to change the point of diversion, place of use, and manner of use of a portion of existing Permit 80184. The existing point of diversion and place of use of Permit 80184 is currently within Lyon County

and the proposed points of diversion and place of use for the applications are within Churchill County.

RCI has provided a copy of Temporary Applications 94356, 94357, 94358 and 94359 and their supporting maps for review. Copies of the applications and their supporting maps can also be viewed and/or printed from the Division's website, <http://water/nv/gov>.

NRS 533.363(4) addresses the responsibilities of the Board of County Commissioners in this matter:

"4. Each board of county commissioners which is notified of a request for a permit pursuant to this section shall consider the request at the next regular or special meeting of the board held not earlier than 3 weeks after the notice is received. The board shall provide public notice of the meeting for 3 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in its county. the notice must state the time, place and purpose of the meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting the board may recommend a course of action to the State Engineer, but the recommendation is not binding on the State Engineer."

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Chief Civil Deputy DA Sanford made this presentation as outlined above. He said county staff has reviewed these Applications with our water consultant and we have no reason to object to it, at this time.

Jennifer Sahin, Nevada Energy, said I am here to answer any questions that the board may have. We believe this project is helping to support local tax revenue, to build out NV Energy's infrastructure for the electricity system, and to help business development. In order to avoid delay, I respectfully request that the Clerk provide a letter to the State Engineer summarizing the board's action at the conclusion of today's meeting. Chair Getto asked if there were any questions or comments from the board or staff but there were none.

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Matt Hyde made a motion to support the Applications as presented. Commissioner Eric Blakey seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

B- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of eight Settlement Agreements relating to the National Opioid Settlement.

Negotiations in the National Opioid Settlement litigation have resulted in additional proposed settlements with Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, and Zydus. Proceeds from these settlements will be distrusted pursuant to the One Nevada Agreement and will be available for use under the same terms and conditions.

As relatively small actors in the opiate distribution chain, the total recovery to Churchill County is just above \$25,000.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$25,000 in settlement funds

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

FUNDING SOURCE:

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Joseph Sanford, Chief Deputy District Attorney - Civil, made this presentation as outlined above.

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Eric Blakey made a motion to approve entering into additional Settlement Agreements in the National Opioid Settlement litigation. Commissioner Matt Hyde seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

C- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of the purchase of AudioEye for the county's CivicPlus subscription for web accessibility.

The ADA is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life, including jobs, schools, transportation, and all public and private places that are open to the general public. The purpose of the law is to make sure that people with disabilities have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else. Recently, this has been applied to the maintenance of websites to require text, pictures, and videos to be maintained in a way that a visually or hearing impaired person can still access content. A comprehensive set of standards addressing this issue have been adopted and implemented across most large agencies. Audioeye will provide an automated system to ensure compliance with these standards for Churchill County.

- Currently, the county PIO adds alternative text to images she posts to website, but each department has access to post to their webpages on the county website. With turnover in staff, much of this type of training (initially conducted in 2019) has been lost.
- Alternative text, used to describe images for an audio reader, is just one of hundreds of ADA compliance issues that can crop up on webpages (too small text, not enough color contrast, etc).
- AudioEye is back-end software added to our website that automatically tests for more than 400 accessibility issues, fixes most of the issues automatically, and continuously monitors the website to protect for compliance. It reports out what it finds, so future mistakes can be avoided.
- Adding the AudioEye software to the county's CivicPlus website will provide protection against lawsuits, which could cost much more than the \$4500 annual fee for the software.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$4,500 annually.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Cost of additional service.

FUNDING SOURCE: IT Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Joseph Sanford, Chief Deputy District Attorney - Civil, made this presentation as outlined above.

Commissioner Blakey asked if this will be an annual expense, which was answered affirmatively. He then asked if we have anything in the budget for this. Deputy DA Sanford said there is no line item for this expense. It is expected to be covered under the IT budget.

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Matt Hyde made a motion to approve purchase of AudioEye for CivicPlus subscription. Commissioner Eric Blakey seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

D- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of an Amendment to Local Public Agency Agreement with the State of Nevada for the reconstruction of Lone Tree Road.

On April 29, 2025 Churchill County and Nevada Department of Transportation entered into an LPA Agreement related to the reconstruction of Lone Tree Road. In addition, a planned MoU with the Navy intended to cover any ambiguity associated with the project. Communication between the parties determined that clarity was best added to the LPA Agreement. In particular, clarification that Churchill County is only responsible for costs actually incurred in the construction and not for potential cost overruns required to complete the project.

FISCAL IMPACT: None, costs are covered by federal funds.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Joseph Sanford, Chief Deputy District Attorney - Civil, made this presentation as outlined above.

Commissioner Blakey said the state Agreement is for a period until 2030 and the MOU for the Navy is for a period of 10 years. Do those terms need to match for any reason? Deputy DA Sanford said they do not. The MOU is designed to go further, potentially, because we may have other projects but mostly because that LPA with the state could be extended over time as the construction proceeds, if necessary. That way, we will not have to extend with the Navy, as well. Commissioner Blakey referred to page 8 where the information for Mr. Spross should be updated.

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Eric Blakey made a motion to approve the amendment to the Agreement with the State of Nevada for reconstruction of Lone Tree Road. Commissioner Matt Hyde seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

E- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Navy regarding the reconstruction of Lone Tree Road.

Churchill County is working with the Navy, NDOT, and FHWA to reconstruct a portion of Lone Tree Road as part of the NDAA range expansion project. This Agreement outlines the responsibilities of the Navy and Churchill County related to construction and confirms the Navy's intentions to cooperate with Churchill County in completing the project.

FISCAL IMPACT: No fiscal impact expected.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Joseph Sanford, Chief Deputy District Attorney - Civil, made this presentation as outlined above.

Chair Getto asked if there were any questions or comments. Commissioner Matt Hyde said, in the MOA, if B-16 is no longer in use, who maintains that road from then on? Deputy DA Sanford said I think that is a different road. This is the Lone Tree Road Agreement. Commissioner Hyde said it says in the MOA that, as long as it is active. Do we foresee that changing in the future? County Manager Spross said this Memorandum of Agreement is for Lone Tree Road. Currently, a portion of Lone Tree Road is owned by the State of Nevada. The other portion is owned by Churchill County. As we go through this process, the entire road will become Churchill County, and it will go into our road inventory and it will be Churchill County's responsibility to do the maintenance.

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Matt Hyde made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Navy regarding the reconstruction of Lone Tree Road. Commissioner Eric Blakey seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

F- Consideration and possible action re: Approval to purchase a replacement server and hardware from CML Security for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$115,326.36.

Sheriff Hickox is seeking approval to purchase a replacement server and hardware from CML Security to replace the one that failed in the Sheriff's office facility. In some instances, this has left the county without the ability to record video and mandated additional personnel to ensure the safety of all inmates. The cost to install the replacement systems is \$115,326.36. This is a safety sensitive need for the Sheriff's Office and will be replaced upon approval by the Commission. The hardware and software involved are proprietary systems and CML Security is the sole source of the needed replacements.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$115,326.36.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The Sheriff's office faces substantial risks if this equipment is not replaced. This was not an anticipated expenditure within the budget.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Richard Hickox, Sheriff, made this presentation as outlined above.

Commissioner Matt Hyde said, when I looked at the proposal, I didn't see any sort of warranty. Do you know what the warranty will be for this? Sgt. Jesse Nuckolls said I am not aware of the length of the warranty. They didn't mention it. I thought it said something about the parts having their own warranty on them but I don't have the quote in front of me. Commissioner Blakey said I would assume that the equipment probably comes with a X amount of warranty, at least one year and maybe five years. That is a concern, though, so we need to have some way to work on that. Sheriff Hickox said we have an ongoing maintenance agreement with them, as well, because all of the equipment in the jail is from CML because it was proprietary when the jail was built. The reason it is proprietary is so that it is not as susceptible to hacking from outside and it is more of a closed loop system. That was part of the reason we could not add stuff into it from other entities. Commissioner Hyde said it makes me feel better knowing that the other stuff is from CML.

County Manager Chris Spross said, if you look at the quote under 2.0 inclusions, item 4 says the required warranties on all workmanship as dictated by the specification, so any parts that have certain warranties, that would apply.

Commissioner Blakey said do you see any extra costs in getting this equipment installed that could cost a significant amount of money that we would need to prepare for or would you cover it within your budget? Sheriff Hickox said I hate to say no because I never know with a project if they will find something else, but, at this point, we are fairly confident that this is a precise quote from them, although we did have another issue with programming on the doors today, which I will talk about more later.

Commissioner Hyde asked if they came out and did a site survey when they put this proposal together? Sheriff Hickox answered affirmatively and said they actually come to the facility frequently. They came several times to make sure that what they were proposing was proper. They did an initial rush job of a proposal for us and came in with a number of \$150,000 but it was ballparked, so I asked them to narrow it down through Sgt. Nuckolls, who is my contact point with them, so that we could have a more precise quote. That is why I say I feel fairly confident that this is a more precise quote. They did a couple of site surveys on it and they are coming out again today to be on site. Commissioner Hyde said that also makes me feel more comfortable.

Commissioner Blakey asked if we know the installation timeline. Sheriff Hickox said we do not. We have a rough estimate of about 6 weeks.

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Matt Hyde made a motion to approve the purchase of a server and hardware from CML Security for the Sheriff's office at a cost of \$115,326.36. Commissioner Eric Blakey seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Presentation:

- 9:00 AM - Consideration and possible action re: Presentation from the Nevada Department of Transportation as a follow-up to the county workshop held on August 1, 2024.

The Nevada Department of Transportation will make a presentation as a follow-up to last year's county workshop held on August 1, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

Tracy Larkin, NDOT, had the following PowerPoint presentation:



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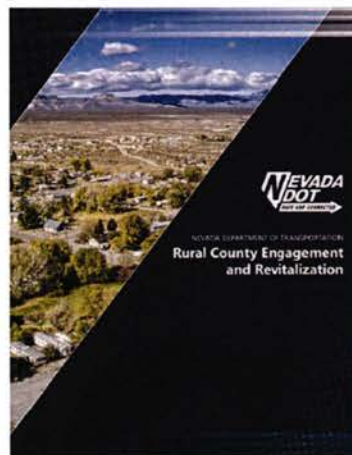
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Ms. Larkin thanked the board for having NDOT out here. She really enjoys coming out to the rural counties. I have lived in Nevada for over 40 years now and worked in Fallon and Elko, so I really enjoy getting out. She introduced the board and staff to her staff in the audience: Mario Gomez, Deputy Director of Operations; Rebecca Kapuler, Assistant Director of Planning; Zachary Shaw, Rural County Manager; Andrew Lawrence, Assistant District Engineer II; Brent Slope, Highway Maintenance Manager; Tony Gutierrez, Highway Maintenance Supervisor; Matt Maffi, Highway Maintenance Supervisor; and Chad Coverston, Highway Maintenance. These are the stars and the backbone of the department and they really are the face of Nevada in the majority of the areas.

— Rural Engagement Process

- A continuing, collaborative process
- Promotes coordination between NDOT and Nevada rural cities and counties in transportation planning
- Includes workshops, one-on-one meetings, online information, and presentations to County Commissions
- One Nevada six critical goals:
 1. Enhance Safety,
 2. Preserve Infrastructure,
 3. Optimize Mobility,
 4. Transform Economies,
 5. Foster Sustainability, and
 6. Connect Communities.

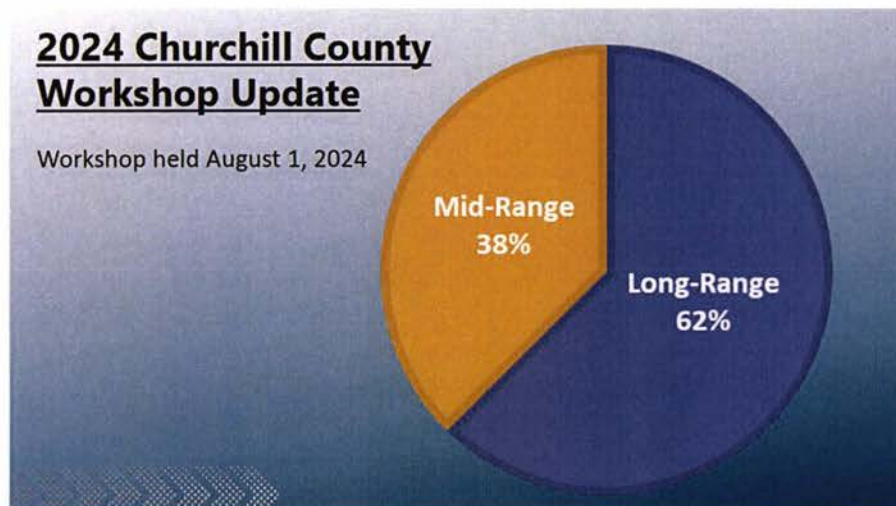


This is a just a review of what our engagement process is. We have a Rural County Engagement Plan that includes both mandatory workshops that we need to do and then individual meetings that occur. The rural county collaboration is an integral part of the One Nevada process, which

is a data-driven process that we use to take in projects, to evaluate the needs, and to go over the prioritization across the state. Those needs are based on enhanced safety, preservation of infrastructure, optimization of mobility, transformation of economies, to foster sustainability, and to connect communities.



This is an ongoing continuous coordination process. Step 1 involves the county workshops, which are intended for county staff, law enforcement, and emergency services. It brings the county or city leaders together to talk about the investments and conditions, to document the transportation requests to be evaluated and tracked over time, and then to report back on the work conducted during the previous year. It also identifies opportunities for collaboration.



Churchill County’s workshop was held on August 1, 2024. Step 2 involves the analysis where we take the county’s transportation needs back to headquarters to analyze them and verify each request into a short, mid, or long-range process, as well as to identify what tasks are involved and where they should be throughout the department.

Step 3 is where we are right now. This is the formal update where we come to the Board of County Commissioners to update you on the status of the NDOT projects within your jurisdiction.

Step 4 is the analysis where we take the transportation needs to help us plan for the future. The cycle then repeats. The intent is to keep on fostering this continuous conversation.

With that in mind, we asked for and were successful in getting, at the last Legislature, a Rural County Specialist. It is someone who is dedicated, at a high level, and will be part of the executive team to focus on the rural counties. It will be their job to come out and interact with you more on an informal basis, but what we want to do is really understand more of where your vision is for the county, taking into account the growth that you are seeing, if you have mining or other type of development coming in to better understand and look for areas where we can collaborate more. When we talk about projects, a long time ago as a Maintenance Engineer in Reno when I covered this area, I used to work with some of your county and city staff on things such as, if you are doing a project and it intersects with our roadway, please let us know if there is a little piece that maybe falls within our right-of-way where maybe we could finish that off. It is a win-win for both of us. It is usually with the economy of scale if you are doing a project and we just add a little bit so maybe it is a curb return or the finish of a sidewalk or drainage correction. With those types of things, please feel free to reach out and talk to the district and they will bring it up the chain of command. I want to foster that, and I realize that, as time goes by, relationships change, people change, leadership changes, so I want to keep that message out there between the district and the county so that, if there is a way we can partner, even in little things, it helps us both.

In the slide depicted above, you see that there are about 38% of projects in the mid-range and 62% in the long-range planning. At the workshop held in August 2024, there were 3 mid-range projects and 5 long-range projects that are in the queue. The mid-range details have been reviewed and were determined to require more evaluation. These projects are US 95 with improved lighting from Serpa Place to the Churchill Village Apartments to include sidewalks. Apparently, right now, there is only a shoulder for the pedestrians to walk on. Also, on US 95, the county requested a bike path or widening from Wade Lane to the bridge at Coleman Road and Paiute Drive. Also on that list is the project on US 50 to Gummow Drive, the county requested improvements at this intersection. We are looking at what type of controls and improvements that will include. The long-range projects include US 95 and Merton Drive where the county requested improvements at this intersection. We are looking to see if there is TAP funding, but I also asked them to take a look to see if there is something that we could do to accelerate that project. On US 95 at Sheckler Road, I have been working on this particular need for over 20 years. I know it is a very challenging intersection, and it has been scoped 3 times, and the last one was sent to the county in 2024. The current estimate is \$7M and the challenges are for 2-3 more structures, a utility power line, and potentially will cause right-of-way and utility concerns. I am sure you are more familiar with that right now than I am. With regard to US 95 passing lanes at US 95 south of Fallon to Schurz, we are looking throughout the state to put in passing lanes and putting a priority on US 95 and US 93, which are all areas of high need, both north and south. A lot of the prioritization now is being based in the areas

where we are having the most issues with traffic. We have had a number of fatalities south of Beatty, so that is one of first areas. We can provide those locations to you. Another project is at Venturacci Lane and Tedford Lane where the county requested improvements at this intersection. At this point, they are looking at completing an operational study. The concern is traffic congestion at the Maverick gas station. It is a very popular area.

District Maintenance Accomplishments

Work completed on various state routes

1. US 50 – (Virgina Ave to Leeteville Junction)
 - Constructed new bridge
 - Repaved the road
 - Widened shoulder
2. Stillwater Rd. (SR 116)
 - Crack sealing and patching

Additional Maintenance

- Repaved various locations
- Updated drainage and lighting
- Upgraded signage
- Weed abatement
- Other minor improvements



Accomplishments include Leeteville Junction to Silver Springs where we constructed a new bridge, repaved the road, and widened the shoulder and chip seals. I just drove that again this morning. With Stillwater Road (SR 116) we completed a crack sealing and patching project. There were also a lot of additional maintenance projects, including repaving of various locations, updating drainage and lighting, upgrading of signage, weed abatement, and other minor improvements. These projects were all done by our maintenance crew in this area. They have done a great job. In 2024, the open grade from US 50 from Leeteville Junction to Allen Road was completed, along with a chip seal from all of US 50A (Fernley to Leeteville Junction). Leeteville Junction is where these meet and it is looking good.

Upcoming District Maintenance Projects

1. Stillwater Road (SR 116) – Scrub Seal (Road maintenance treatment)
2. US 95 – Mill and patch pavement various locations
3. Carroll Summit Road (SR 722) – Cold mix overlay and roadway repair in various locations



We have a picture here of Dixie Valley Road and then we are doing a scrub seal from Churchill County 0 to 10 miles out. On US 95, Churchill mile post 11 to 13 and US 50, we will do a mill and patch of pavement in various areas this summer and through next summer. On SR 722 (Carroll Summit Road), a cold mix overlay and roadway repair will occur in various locations.

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County Collaborations

AUCTION ROAD IMPROVEMENTS (TAP)

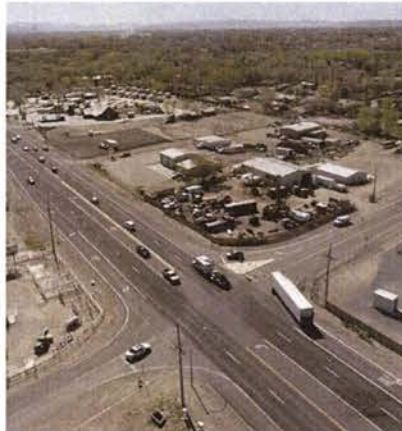
Planned Construction: 2026
Lead Agency: City of Fallon
Project Description: Installation of curb, gutter, ADA sidewalks, bike paths, and streetlights along Auction Road, and a new traffic light to North Whitaker Lane

HIGHWAY 50 PROJECT

Planned Construction: 2026
Lead Agency: City of Fallon
Project Description: Construct Traffic Signal on US 50 and Sherman Street

LONE TREE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Planned Construction: 2026
Lead Agency: Churchill County
Project Description: Rehabilitate and repave Lone Tree Road



With county collaborations, you can see from this slide who are the lead agencies. For Auction Road and the Highway 50 project, the City of Fallon is the lead agency. The Auction Road project includes curbs, gutters, ADA sidewalks, bike paths, streetlights, and a new traffic light to North Whitaker Lane. Highway 50 will be to install a traffic signal on US 50 and Sherman Street. With the Lone Tree reconstruction project, Churchill County is the lead agency, and you discussed this project earlier in the meeting today. This project includes rehabilitation and repaving of Lone Tree Road.

Statewide Transportation Improvement Program

Upcoming Planned Projects



I 80 PRESERVATION PROJECT

Planned Construction: 2026
Cost: \$36 Million
Project Limits: I 80, Nightingale interchange to Churchill/Pershing County Line.

SR 361 REALIGNMENT PROJECT

Planned Construction: 2026
Cost: 103.6 Million funded by Department of Defense
Project Limits: Realign Gabbs Valley Road (SR 361) 14 miles outside the Navy range between Middlegate and Gabbs.

US 50 PROJECT (PHASE 2)

Planned Construction: 2027
Cost: \$1.5 Million
Project Limits: Sheckler Cut Off to west of Soda Lake Road.



With regard to the statewide transportation improvement program, we have the I-80 preservation project, the SR 361 realignment project, and the US 50 project (Phase 2), which are all contingent on funding. The cost for the I-80 project is \$36M and is scaled for 2026. The

SR 361 project will cost \$103.6M and is planned for 2026. This will involve Department of Defense funding that will pass through several layers of bureaucracy but eventually to the county to construct that 14 miles of new construction to realign Gabbs Valley Road outside the Navy range expansion between Middlegate and Gabbs. The planned construction for US 50 is scheduled for 2027 from Sheckler Cut-off to west of Soda Lake Road with pavement preservation with ADA signage and lighting improvements.

— Next Steps

- Continuing collaboration between NDOT and County/City staff
- Continue data-driven One Nevada Process
- County Workshops 2026



Next steps include continuing this cycle of collaboration. I have a meeting with Mr. Spross right after this meeting to start some of those conversations. She asked if there were any questions.

County Manager Chris Spross said I have a question regarding the partnership that you had mentioned. You had mentioned that, if the county has a project that encroaches into the NDOT right-of-way, you will want to be involved with that. Ms. Larkin said, if it makes sense. Mr. Spross said that is understood. How would that work? Let's say, for example, if it were an ADA ramp or something, would the maintenance folks come out and do that portion of the work when our crews are out doing the work or would our crews do the work, and it would be reimbursable? How do you envision that? Ms. Larkin said, particularly if you have a contract, what I would generally do is enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the county for a not-to-exceed price, in which case you would submit the work that you want done and, if we agree upon the parameters of that, then it is an Interlocal Agreement and we would fund it or reimburse you. Mr. Spross said then our crews would do the work, but it would be through an Interlocal Agreement? Ms. Larkin said, frankly, if you do the work or if you get the contractor to do it, it is usually more economical. Also, if you have someone already working there, it makes more sense not to bring in another crew.

Commissioner Blakey said, concerning the US 50 project, Phase 2, does that have anything to do with the stoplight at the Reno Highway at Sheckler? I think that has been mentioned to you in the past about putting the cautionary lights to blink before the stoplight to let people know when the light will be turning red and not just blinking all the time. Ms. Larkin said I do not know but I can get back to you on that. Commissioner Blakey said I think it has been mentioned before, and I think our community holds that as a high need. The stoplight did great wonders for that intersection but cautionary lights flashing before the signal turns red would help a lot more

too. Commissioner Hyde said I get that same concern a lot. I think the black skid marks going into that stoplight are a pretty good indication that there might need to be something that flashes when it is about to turn red. Chair Getto said some of those skid marks are mine. I farm out there, so I move truckloads of hay and you never know when that light is going to turn red. There are cautionary lights there now but they blink all the time. We need them to only blink when the light is about to turn red. Ms. Larkin said okay, those needs to be looked at. Chair Getto said I would think something similar to those in Carson City or the Gardnerville area is what I really like because I also haul hay that direction. When you are in Gardnerville with a full load of hay and the signal blinks to alert you to the fact that the light will turn red, it really helps. When they just blink all the time, it doesn't help, and it is a mess. Commissioner Hyde said they also have that going into Spring Creek to tell you when it is going to turn red, so you know to slow down.

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none. This item was done for informational purposes only and no action was taken.

Letters Received:

A- Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting awarded to Churchill County for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024.

The Government Finance Officers Association has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Churchill County for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024. The report has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

Commissioner Blakey said he wanted to commend the Comptroller's office for receiving this Certificate of Achievement. Thank you, Sherry, to you and your staff for the hard work.

B- Bureau of Land Management's notification that the County Line Mine Plan Environmental Assessment is available for review and its public comment period under the National Historic Preservation Act for the National Environmental Policy Act.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has released the Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) for the County Line Mine Plan for public review. BLM is seeking public comments and input under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. This includes identifying and providing information about any historic properties located in or near the project area.

The proposed project involves expansion of two existing historic open pits, expansion of the current waste rock storage facility, development of two in-pit waste rock storage areas, creation of growth media stockpiles, low and high grade ore stockpiles, construction of an access road, installation of crushing facilities and storm water controls, establishment of ancillary facilities, and exploration drilling within the Plan of Operations boundary.

The 15-day public comment period for NEPA review runs from July 11, 2025, through July 25, 2025. During this time, the public is encouraged to review the PEA and submit comments. The document is available on the BLM National NEPA Register website at: <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2037896/510>. To submit a comment online, visit the project webpage and click on “Participate Now” located in the left-hand column.

Comments may also be submitted by mail. Written comments should be addressed to the BLM Carson City District Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701, Attention: County Line PEA. Mailed or hand-delivered comments must be postmarked or received by 4:30 PM on or before August 11, 2025. BLM prefers comments to be submitted through the NEPA Register website but will also accept timely mailed or hand-delivered submissions.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

C- Bureau of Land Management's notification of its Geothermal Lease Sale scheduled for October 2025.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will offer 56 parcels, comprising about 217,686.37 acres of land within the area administered by the Battle Mountain District, in a statewide competitive Geothermal Lease Sale to be held on October 21, 2025. Two additional parcels (4,945.919 acres) were nominated for non-competitive lease within existing mine plans of operation and would be sold. This notice initiates a public comment period on associated environmental documents for the sale. The BLM will hold the lease sale on the National Fluids Lease Sale System.

Responsible energy development includes consideration of parcels nominated for leasing, as well as potential resource impacts for each parcel. Additional environmental review will take place during processing of a geothermal drilling permit, when site-specific conditions of approval will be placed on the permit in addition to the stipulations attached to the lease.

The EA, titled DOI-BLM-NV-B000-2025-0001-EA, can be viewed on the BLM NEPA Register website, at <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2038957/510>. Comments can be submitted online at the NEPA Register site or mailed to Battle Mountain District Office, 50 Bastian Road, Battle Mountain, NV 89820. Comments will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. PDT, July 25, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

D- Bureau of Land Management's notification that they have completed the Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact, which resulted in them issuing the Decision Record for the Lahontan Gather EA.

The Bureau of Land Management provides notification that they have completed the Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact, which resulted in them issuing the Decision Record for the Lahontan Gather EA. The proposed action is to gather and remove excess wild horses inside and outside of the Lahontan Herd Management Area (HMA) located in Lyon County to achieve the low end of the established appropriate management level (AML). The AML for the Lahontan HMA is 7-10 wild horses.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

E- Bureau of Land Management's notification that it has completed a Categorical Exclusion to approve a request from the Nevada Department of Wildlife for the issuance of range improvements for the Clifford Spring Restoration Project.

The Bureau of Land Management provides notification that it has completed a Categorical Exclusion to approve a request from the Nevada Department of Wildlife for the issuance of range improvements for the Clifford Spring Restoration Project. The project consists of exclusionary fencing, a tire trough, one in-ground tank, and associated buried pipelines at Clifford Spring. The purpose of the project is to improve riparian habitat, while continuing to provide water to free-roaming horses and wildlife. The spring has been heavily utilized by free-roaming horses and/or cattle, leading to the loss of riparian vegetation, increased soil erosion, and reduced surface water expression. Further details can be found in the notification letter.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

Consent Items:

A- Consideration and possible action re: Report of the condition of each fund in the treasury and the statements of receipts and expenditures pursuant to NRS 251.030 and NRS 354.290.

A Fund Balance Report is attached indicating the beginning balance, receipts, disbursements, and the ending balance of each fund for Churchill County as required by NRS 251.030 and NRS 354.290.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

B- Consideration and possible action re: Sheriff's Civil Report for the month of June 2025 totaling \$5,161.00.

The Sheriff's Office provides its Civil Report for June 2025 for the board's review and acceptance. A total of \$5,161.00 was received as revenue for the month.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$5,161.00.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Fees collected help to off-set the services provided.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

C- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of a guardianship referral submitted on behalf of a Proposed Protected Person #25-10DC-0646 received July 10, 2025.

Notification of Referral of Guardianship on behalf of a Proposed Protected Person #25-10DC-0646 received July 10, 2025, which is pending investigation.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

D- Consideration and possible action re: Court Services' Fourth Quarterly Revenue Report, for the period of April through June, 2025, reflecting \$6,651.60 in revenue for the quarter.

Brenda Ingram, Director of Court Services, provides the department's 4th Quarterly Revenue Report, for the period of April - June 2025, for the board's consideration and acceptance. A total of \$6,651.60 in revenue was collected for the quarter.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$6,651.60 revenue.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Fees collected help to offset the costs of providing services.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

E- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Burial Application F2041531A, which was approved on July 14, 2025.

Notification of a Burial Application F2041531A, which was approved on July 14, 2025 per NRS 428.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: Social Services Indigent Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

F- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Burial Application 2C6C0ED51, which was approved July 14, 2025.

Notification of Burial Application 2C6C0ED51, which was received and approved per NRS 428.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: Social Services Indigent Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

G- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of the Building Department's Revenue Report for June 2025 totaling \$18,585.92 in revenue for the month.

The Building Department provides its Revenue Report for June 2025 for the board's consideration and acceptance. A total of \$18,585.92 was received for the month.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$18,585.92.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Fees are collected for the issuance of building permits, plan reviews, inspections, etc.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

H- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of the Building Permit Activity Report for June 2025.

Provided for the board's review is the report showing 20 building permits issued in the month of June 2025. Included in the 20 permits are 1 single-family-dwelling permits, 3 commercial permits and 0 industrial permits. Additionally, 2 manufactured home permits and 2 septic permits were issued.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

I- Consideration and possible action re: Treasurer's Report for June 2025 showing a balance of \$61,728,322.15 in the account.

Clerk/Treasurer Linda Rothery provides the Treasurer's Monthly Report for June 2025 showing a balance of \$61,728,322.15 in the account. This report is provided for the board's consideration and acceptance.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

J- Consideration and possible action re: Transfer of funds to the Churchill County Road Department in the amount of \$300,000 for the FY 2025 road and bridge projects for the 4th quarter of the prior fiscal year.

The Churchill County Road Department is requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of \$300,000 for payment of FY 2025 road and bridge projects for the 4th quarter. The transfer is to be split 50/50 between the Regional Transportation Fund 280 and Public Transit Fund 395.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$150,000 from Regional Transportation Fund 280-631-85300 and \$150,000 Public Transit Fund 395-881-85300.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: \$150,000 from Regional Transportation Fund 280-631-85300 and Public Transit Fund 395-881-85300

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

K- Consideration and possible action re: Churchill County's Quarterly Report to the Department of Taxation regarding Churchill County's Economic Condition for the quarter ending June 30, 2025.

Provided for the board's review and consideration is the Quarterly Report of Churchill County's economic condition for the period ending June 30, 2025, which is prepared in accordance with the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This report must be submitted to the Department of Taxation within 45 days of completion of the prior quarter. A signed copy will be forwarded to the department in a timely manner and this is provided for the board's review.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Eric Blakey made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Commissioner Matt Hyde seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Consider Future Agenda Items:

Commissioner Hyde said he would like to see a periodic report from Jesse Segura on 3C events, which includes what it takes to put those events on and have a better idea of what is happening there. We need to talk about the November 6th meeting being possibly moved because I will be at a conference for CC Communications.

Commissioner Blakey said I am starting to work with County Manager Spross on conducting a county-wide job classification and wage compensation study. We may have enough to get that on a future Agenda soon enough to get that moving forward.

Commissioner and Management Staff Reports:

Chair Getto reported on the following topics:

- I attended the Carson Water Subconservancy District meeting. We went to TRIC to have the meeting.
- I also participated in the Library Board meeting.

Commissioner Hyde reported on the following topics:

- The Fallon Youth Club held their golf tournament, which was a big success.
- I had a Park & Recreation Commission meeting. We are going to get some new panels to make the loading and moving of animals for the rodeos and things better and more efficient. They were really struggling to get animals moved. That will involve a \$10,000 expenditure that needed to happen to make these events go off.

Commissioner Blakey reported on the following topics:

- I attended the Museum Association Board meeting.
- I attended the CEDA Business Council breakfast where Captain Haymon from NAS Fallon spoke about the goals and aspirations he has.
- I was invited out to the base by Captain Haymon and took a tour of the Navy Seals complex and the B-16 bombing range. That tour was very informative on their mission.

County Manager Spross reported on the following topics:

- I attended the CEDA breakfast week. It was very informative.

Comptroller Wideman reported on the following topics:

- We are working to get the audit done.
- I wanted to note that the Certificate of Achievement we received is also because of the Clerk/Treasurer's office and various departments who comply with the rules and regulations that are required.

Chief Deputy DA Sanford had nothing to report.

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Moore reported on the following topics:

- The office has been very busy with property tax payments coming in. Just a reminder that the first installment of taxes is due August 18th.
- Staff in our office will be very happy when we can hire staff and get them to work in the office.

District Attorney Mallory reported on the following topics:

- We recently experienced a tremendous influx in the business and other matters being attended to by the Civil Division. The same is true for the Criminal Division but we also have some very capable lawyers. We are temporarily switching the handling of Juvenile Probation cases and DCFS cases over to the Criminal Division to free up the Civil Division to allow them to spend more time on some of the urgent matters they have before them. This is being done on a temporary basis. We will try it and see how it works.

Claims and Payroll Transmittals:

The Claims and Payroll Transmittals were submitted for the board's consideration and approval.

The meeting was recessed at this time to wait until the time set for the NDOT presentation.

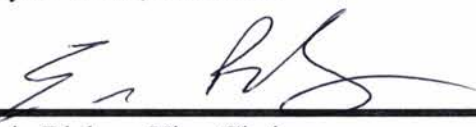
Public Comment:

Chair Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 AM.

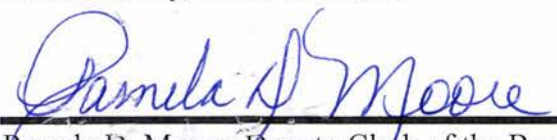
Approved: 
Myles Getto, Chairman

Approved: 
Eric Blakey, Vice-Chairman

Approved: 
Matt Hyde, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Linda Rothery, Clerk/Treasurer


Pamela D. Moore, Deputy Clerk of the Board