

February 12, 2020

Honorable Governor Steve Sisolak
100 North Stewart Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Governor Sisolak,

The undersigned are writing to you today on behalf of the many volunteer, civic oriented organization, and government entities of the rural communities in Nevada.

Governor our communities have been afforded the opportunity over the years to enlist the Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF) crews stationed at various honor camp locations around the state to assist in the maintenance, clean up and development of facilities for events being held in the many communities throughout our great state. Recently we have learned that this service will now be limited if not curtailed entirely.

Governor, having the ability to utilize the talents and services that these crews provide is invaluable to our organizations (typically volunteer based, events and our communities. Small county governments with limited budgets and personnel rely on the NDF crews to perform duties that would otherwise be pushed aside and result in a negative experience for visitors to these parts of our state, simply because the human resources are limited. Many Volunteer Organizations are critically dependent on NDF crews to help with the set up and clean up of events. Civic organizations enjoy the skills of the crews when they are present to prepare venues for particular events that benefit scholarship and community fund raisers.

Governor, I would urge you to strongly reconsider the use of the NDF Crews in communities where they are depended on greatly. The crew leaders, along with the Supervisors of the many camps around the State can provide you many accounts of the tremendous results that have been experienced by this important community partnership.

Respectfully,

Organizations; (listed for illustrative purposes only)

Ely Rotary Club Steptoe Valley Little League Baseball & Soccer White Pine Senior RSVP

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White Pine County AG district 13