The Nevada Contractors Association is dedicated to the industry and will continue to monitor the situations as it develops.

The safety and health of our members and employees is our utmost importance during this pandemic, making best practices essential to ensure that we continue essential construction work while limiting risk to all involved.

Please continue to take proactive measures to limit the risk to your employees.

Message From our Association:

When many of Nevada’s businesses were forced to shut down due to COVID-19 pandemic, it became the construction industry’s goal to remain essential and to keep our workers employed. More importantly, it was our desire to remain as an industry safe and healthy by following the national and state protocols. In order to accomplish these goals, the Nevada Contractors Association (“NCA”) along with other industry leaders were appointed to Governor Sisolak’s Nevada Construction and Development Assembly to help regulate construction activities and safety measures during these uncertain times. This group worked hard to ensure that protocols were developed and implemented which were safe, reasonable, and achievable. Most of the group’s time was focused on identifying and creating acceptable alternatives to the stringent six feet distancing standards, which in areas of construction were unachievable. Using the expertise of all involved and working closely with Nevada OSHA and the Governor’s Office, alternative safety measures were developed that allowed workers to operate safely while completing these difficult tasks.

In an effort to educate the workforce, the NCA joined various industry partners in hosting a COVID-19 Safety Stand Down designed to educate the workforce on necessary jobsite safety measures. Thank you to the hundreds of contractors and thousands of workers who participated, and we encourage you to continue these important meetings to help flatten the curve and keep our teams safe!

For pictures from Nevada COVID-19 Safety Stand Down, please visit our Flickr Page.

To help maintain safe jobsites, the NCA provided courtesy COVID-19 inspections to ensure all construction companies are complying with the federal OSHA guidelines for COVID compliance. Thank you to those who reached out in an additional effort to keep your jobsites safe. NCA has also distributed thousands of masks and other needed protective equipment to entities who were in need. These contributions have aided frontline medical workers and helped government agencies to keep their employees safe while continuing to complete their critical work. Over the next few weeks, NCA will distribute free masks and personal sanitizers to thousands of construction workers in an ongoing effort to help everyone stay healthy and safe.

The NCA with AGC of America has been active in creating and distributing materials and resources for the industry to utilize, such as construction directives, industry mandates, webinars, hand sanitizers, sanitation practices, and various handouts/posters for jobsites. These resources can be found below. NCA continues to provide free COVID-19 inspections to help jobsites understand the directives implemented and enforced by OSHA.
Resources

Sample COVID-19 PowerPoint - Last Revised on 9.23.2020
This editable PowerPoint was created to provide members with a resource for training management and employees regarding COVID-19.

Sample Plan for COVID-19; Exposure Prevention, Preparedness, and Response - Revised by Members of NCA’s Safety Committee on 9.14.2020
This editable Sample Plan for COVID-19 was revised to contain updated regulations and relevant information for members to use as a template to create a suitable COVID-19 Plan for their company’s specific needs.

This editable Sample Checklist includes basic checklists for preventative measures, signage, and response planning.

COVID-19 Related Posters/Printable Resources - OSHA
Free downloadable resources.

We Kept America Building - AGC of America Special Report
AGC of America has created a special report called We Kept America Building. This new report details AGC of America’s response to the Coronavirus and highlights examples of how AGC has supported the industry during the pandemic.

Residential & Commercial Development Activity Forecast
Residential & Commercial Development Activity Forecast was prepared and produced by Applied Analysis and developed for Nevada Contractors Association and its member. Distributed August 2020.

Update on Nevada OSHA’s Enforcement Process
Under Governor Sisolak’s State of Emergency during the COVID-19 Pandemic and associated directives, the Nevada Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has been given enforcement authority under Reopening Response Plan. OSHA has released guidance documents for businesses as the Governor’s directives have evolved. The latest guidance is dated June 26, 2020 and is posted at http://dir.nv.gov/OSHA/Home/.

Updated OSHA Guidance for Roadmap to Recovery Phase 2
Updated NV OSHA Guidance for Businesses operating in Phase 2 of the Governor’s Roadmap to Recovery for Nevada. See Declaration of Emergency Directive 024 for more information on the new requirements for face coverings. Guidance from the Nevada Medical Advisory Team is also available.

Southern Nevada Business Reopening Guide
The Southern Nevada Health District is providing these guidance documents to assist industry as facilities and businesses begin to resume operations or prepare to open under the Governor’s Roadmap to Recovery Plan. The following documents include public health practices that are recommended not only for prevention of the spread of COVID-19 but also for other potential hazards that result from facilities being closed. These documents are subject to change as more information becomes available and feedback is received.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Preparing Your Small Business and Employees for the Effects of COVID-19
CDC guidance on preparing your business to protect your employees’ health and safety in the workplace.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers Responding to Coronavirus
April 20, 2020
Nevada OSHA guidelines has been modified for the construction industry in instances when 6-feet social distancing cannot be followed. Please view protocols to be followed.

COVID-19 Safety Stand Down
Construction companies throughout Nevada joined in this unified, statewide effort to help educate our work crews about the critical role safety and health plays during this global crisis. As an industry, we have an obligation on our jobsites to ensure every individual understands the policies and procedures to keep us safe during the COVID-19 crisis. We encourage you to continue these important meetings to help flatten the curve and keep our teams safe!

We encourage you to use this template COVID-19 Action Plan and Health Assessment Form to distribute to field operations and management within your offices. Additionally, you are encouraged to use this Toolbox Talk to aid in your discussions.

Let's get social, the safe way! Send us your Safety Stand Down pics and tag us on social media with #StayingSafe4NV Visit our Flickr Page for pictures of our members joining Safety Stand Down

CARES Act Analysis for Construction
A comprehensive analysis of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, as passed by the U.S. Senate on March 25, 2020.

OSHA Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID 19
OSHA made available guidance on preparing workplaces for COVID 19.

More Guidance from US DOL’s Wage and Hour Division (WHD) on Families First Coronavirus Response Act
The new guidance includes two new posters, one for federal workers and one for all other employees, that will fulfill notice requirements for employers obligated to inform employees about their rights under this new law. It also includes questions and answers about posting requirements, and a Field Assistance Bulletin describing WHD’s 30-day non-enforcement policy. The new guidance addresses critical issues such as whether employers may post required notice electronically, whether employers must provide notice of this law to recently laid-off individuals, when FFCRA applies to federal workers and when enforcement of the new rules will begin.

OSHA COVID-19 Letter- Construction Industry
In recent days the administration of the Nevada Occupational Safety and Health Administration (NVOSHA) has conducted intermittent surveys of active construction sites in Nevada. Due to the results of the survey, NVOSHA has provided guidelines for construction operations.

Proactive Measures for Addressing COVID-19 Questionnaire (PDF)
Proactive Measures for Addressing COVID-19 Questionnaire (Editable)
Every construction project is unique and what is feasible and appropriate for any one project will depend on its unique characteristics. The questions that construction contractors may want to ask of all employees, visitors and vendors, prior to allowing them to enter any one job site is available for your use.

AGC of America - Navigating the Outbreak: An Eight-Part Webinar Series on the Factors that Construction Companies Need to Consider, as They Strive for Business Continuity
A webinar will be held daily from Monday, March 23 through Wednesday, April 1 with a start time of 2:00 PM EDT. Topics will include legal liabilities, insurance challenges, labor and safety policies that should be put in place and what to expect out of Washington. Each webinar will take a deep dive into specific topics and feature AGC staff and outside expert speakers.
Pricing: Members – Bundle Eight-Part Webinar Series – FREE | Non Members – Bundle Eight-Part Webinar Series – $599

US DOL Publishes New Federal Paid Leave Guidance Families First Coronavirus Response Act

https://www.nvcontractors.org/covid19updates.html
The guidance – provided in a Fact Sheet for Employees, a Fact Sheet for Employers and a Questions and Answers document – addresses critical questions, such as how an employer must count the number of their employees to determine coverage; how small businesses can obtain an exemption; how to count hours for part-time employees; and how to calculate the wages employees are entitled to under this law.

**NV Governor Executive Order on Business Closure**

On March 20, 2020, Governor Sisolak made his suggested closing of non-essential businesses mandatory. An Executive Order was also issued shortly after the press conference. Section 6 specifically mentions Construction as an industry that can continue to operate while also outlining steps our industry must take in order to be compliant. It is encouraged for you to review these guidelines.

**Essential Businesses List- Office of Labor Commissioner**

Construction is considered an essential industry and, pending any further developments, we plan to continue with business as usual. We continue to work with permitting and inspection agencies to ensure that projects can proceed in a timely manner. We also understand that in order to be successful we must continue to receive materials and supplies from our subcontractors and vendors and we appreciate their efforts to fulfill demand.

**OSHA Guidelines for Construction**

This memorandum provides guidelines for the management of staff and labor in the mining, construction, and manufacturing industry sectors. We encourage you to make the necessary adjustments in order to comply with state requirements.

**NCA Toolbox Talk COVID-19 (PDF)**

NCA Toolbox Talk COVID-19 (editable)

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**Summary of Paid Leave Mandates**

President Trump signed into law new paid leave mandates that will take effect on April 2, 2020, and sunset on December 31, 2020. Nearly 7,000 AGC members from around the nation sent about 14,000 emails to their U.S. Senators in opposition to these mandates—the highest grassroots engagement on any issue we have seen in at least a decade. Thank you all for your efforts in pushing those action alerts. We will continue to press for avenues to make such improvements via legislative and regulatory means.

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For more information, please contact (702) 796-9986.