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STATE PUBLIC WORKS BOARD Meeting of January 23, 2025

Agenda Item #3

SUBJECT TITLE:

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Acceptance and approval of Public Works Board meeting minutes for:

August 28, 2024, Public Works Board Meeting Vol. I (attached)

August 29, 2024, Public Works Board Meeting Vol. II (attached)

September 17, 2024, Public Works Board Meeting (attached)

September 17, 2024, Public Works Board Regulation Adoption Hearing (attached)

DISCUSSION:

Construction Law Counsel has reviewed the August 28, 2024, Public Works Division Board meeting minutes and recommends the following changes:

- 1. Page 9:16 change "Parks" to "Department"
- 2. Page 11:11 delete "or"
- 3. Page 16:14 change "between moving the line moving" to "standing in line."
- 4. Page 16:17 delete ":into" add "under"
- 5. Page 22:5 change "in" to "on"
- 6. Page 24:6 change "Bill" to "Phil"
- 7. Page 48:9,10, 14, 15, 17, 18, and 19 change "fabs" to "fobs"
- 8. Page 56:13 change "significant sizing" to "of significant size"
- 9. Page 59:1 change "locating: to "relocating"
- 10. Page 77:13 change "humanity" to "humane"
- 11. Page 78:12 change "utilizing" to "housing"
- 12. Page 78:13 change "starts" to "utilizes"
- 13. Page 78:19 delete "those"
- 14. Page 79:10 change "mission" to "prison"
- 15. Page 81:24 delete "our"
- 16. Page 87:5 change "start up" to "flighted out"
- 17. Page 92:12 change "direct and direct" to "direct and indirect"
- 18. Page 101:15 change "through's" to "there's"
- 19. Page 112:19 change "led" to "lead"
- 20. Page 123:9 change "together" to "to"
- 21. Page 125:18 delete "the"
- 22. Page 137:19 change "breath" to "breadth"
- 23. Page 139:18,21,22,and 24 change "skates" to "gates"
- 24. Page 140:3,10,14, and 17 change "skates" to "gates"
- 25. Page 144:13 change "my" to "may
- 26. Page 150:20 change "Region" to "Regional"
- 27. Page 150:22 delete "between
- 28. Page 151:7 change "skilled" to "filled"

- 29. Page 153:16, 17, and 18 change "Casey" to "Kacey"
 30. Page 156:21 change "of" to "out"
 31. Page 156:23 delete reason
 32. Page 157:8 change "Casey" to "Kacey"
 33. Page158:17 change "nurser" to "nursery"
 34. Page 161:3 change "Casey" to "Kacey"
- Construction Law Counsel has reviewed the August 29, 2024, Public Works Board meeting minutes and recommends the following changes:
- 1. Page 4:15 change "Bryan" to "Brian"
- 2. Page 8:17 change "we have" to "We're"

35. Page 162:19 change "Casey" to "Kacey"

- 3. Page 9:19 change "that" to "in"
- 4. Page 15:3 change "purpose" to "multi-purpose"
- 5. Page 15:3 change "build" to "building"
- 6. Page 15:23 change "o" to "of"
- 7. Page 28:11-14 ????
- 8. Page 31:6 change "for" to "that"
- 9. Page 46:11 change "unit" to "university"
- 10. Page 56:18 change "how are going' to "how are you going"
- 11. Page 56:23 change "out of" to "about"
- 12. Page 59:8 delete "Him"
- 13. Page 65:12 change "person" to "important"
- 14. Page 81:13 change "trick" to "TRIC"
- 15. Page 85:4 delete "appeal associated"
- 16. Page 88:21 change "had had" to "has been"
- 17. Page 88:21 change "and inadequate" to "and had inadequate"
- 18. Page 90:12-13 change "Marcus" to Markus"
- 19. Page 91:5 change "look" to "long"
- 22. Page 108:12 change "way" to "well"
- 23. Page 108:15 change "peel field" to "move"
- 24. Page 116:2 delete "eye"
- 25. Page 121:6 change "Marcus" to Markus"
- 26. Page 122:19 delete "with"
- 27. Page 123:10 delete "as"
- 28. Page 123:15 change "from" to "for"
- 29. Page 131: 3 change "work" to "working"
- 30. Page 140:25 change "two" to "ten"
- 31. Page 167:16 change "shoot" to "shoo
- 32. Page 16:20 change "fabs" to "fobs"
- 33. Page 172:25 change "compute" to "computer"
- 34. Page 178:1 change "FF&E" to "FTEs"
- 35. Page 185:23 change "MSLA" to "NSLA"
- 36. Page 186:2 change "NSOA" to "NSLA"
- 37. Page 186:19 change "is" to "was"
- 38. Page 196:8 change "led" to "lead"
- 39. Page 198:19 change "sever" to "receive"

Construction Law Counsel has reviewed the September 17, 2024, Public Works Board meeting minutes and recommends the following changes:

- 1. Page 19:20 change "Childrens" to "Veterans"
- 2. Page 55:8 change "lump" to "limp"

Construction Law Counsel has reviewed the September 17, 2024, Public Works Board Regulation Adoption Hearing meeting minutes and recommends their approval with no changes.

PRIOR ACTIONS:

None.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS//ISSUES:

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Approve or deny the August 28, 2024, Public Works Board Meeting minutes as amended.
- Approve or deny the August 29, 2024, Public Works Board Meeting minutes as amended.
- Approve or deny the September 17, 2024, Public Works Board Meeting minutes as amended.
- Approve or deny the September 17, 2024, Public Works Board Regulation Adoption Meeting minutes as submitted.

ACTION ITEM:

- Motion to approve or deny the August 28, 2024, Public Works Board meeting minutes as amended herein OR as further amended by the Board.
- Motion to approve or deny the August 29, 2024, Public Works Board meeting minutes as amended herein OR as further amended by the Board.
- Motion to approve or deny the September 17, 2024, Public Works Board meeting minutes as amended herein OR as further amended by the Board.
- Motion to approve or deny the September 17, 2024, Public Works Division Regulation Workshop meeting minutes as submitted herein OR as further amended by the Board

PREPARED BY: Susan K. Stewart, Construction Law Counsel

In The Matter Of:

STATE OF NEVADA

PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION VIDEO CONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

Vol. II August 29, 2024

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3	PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION VIDEO CONFERENCE BOARD MEETING	9:00 A.M. 2 -000-
4	THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2024	3
5		4 CHAIR HAND: Good morning. Welcome to the
7	9:00 A.M.	5 State Public Works Board meeting. It's 9:00 o'clock6 straight up. How did that happen? And this is the time
8	CAPITOL BUILDING	6 straight up. How did that happen? And this is the time 7 and place of the State Public Works Board meeting, and we
9	101 NORTH CARSON STREET	8 welcome you all here today and look forward to your
10	CARSON CITY, NEVADA	9 presentations. We will start with roll call and then
11		10 jump right into things. 11 ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Good morning. Wil
12	VOLUME II of II	12 Lewis, for the record. Roll call. Chairman Adam Hand?
14	THE BOARD: ADAM HAND, Chairperson CLINT BENTLEY, Vice-Chair	13 CHAIR HAND: Present.
15	JOY GRIMMER, Director, Department of Administration	14 ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Vice-Chairman Clint
16	PHILIP MANNELLY, Member KEVIN LEWIS, Member ROY WALKER, Member	15 Bentley? 16 VICE-CHAIR BENTLEY: Present.
17	NOI MADREK, MEMBEL	ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Member Tito Tiberti?
18 19	FOR THE POARD.	18 Member Kevin Lewis?
20	FOR THE BOARD: Kevin Doty, Senior Deputy Attorney General	MEMBER LEWIS: Present. ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Member Philip Mannelly?
21	WIL LEWIS, Administrator	21 MEMBER MANNELLY: Present.
22	BRIAN WACKER,	22 ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Member Roy Walker?
23	Administrator REPORTED BY: CAPITOL REPORTERS	MEMBER WALKER: Present.
24	BY: Nicole J. Hansen, Nevada CCR #446, RPR, CRR, RMR	ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Member and Director of Administration, Joy Grimmer?
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- 1 this very important board and then also for just
- 2 recognizing the needs across our state and capital. It
- 3 has been a while. Last session, we did not receive any
- 4 construction projects. However, we come forward today
- 5 with a number of projects that we're very excited to
- share information about. 6
- We also wanted to thank the Board and the 7
- 8 State and the Governor and the legislature for the \$50
- million in deferred maintenance that we received last
- 10 session. I would say it's a drop in the bucket too when
- 11 you look at the large footprint that the Nevada System of
- 12 Higher Education has across our state from every single
- 13 corner and in support of our over 108,000 students and
- over 16,000 employees. 14
- And so with that, I'd like to turn it to 15
- 16 Mr. Viton, and then we will go through the presentation
- and you'll have an opportunity to hear from each of our 17
- presidents and institutions. Thank you.
- 19 MR. VITON: Good morning. Chris Viton, Chief
- 20 Financial Officer for the Nevada System of Higher
- 21 Education. I just wanted to start. We have a list for
- 22 you of the presenters. I'm just going to give you all a
- 23 quick introduction, and then as the Chancellor said,
- 24 we'll hand it off to the presidents for their slides on
- 25 their particular projects.

- 1 of them represent bundled requests.
- One you're very familiar with. It's the
- 3 biennial higher educational capital and special higher
- education capital funding that the system receives that
- 5 amount has been \$15 million dollars each biennium and
- 6 that's much needed funding. We appreciate that. That
- amount, you might know, hasn't been -- has been the same
- biennial appropriation for the past 40 years or so
- without an inflation adjustment, so it does not -- it
- 10 covers and is allocated, but it leaves quite a gap. The
- 11 system maintains approximately \$6 billion in depreciable 12 property and infrastructure, and so you can see that with
- 13 the two percent estimate, that's about \$120 million
- 14 dollars a year need for deferred maintenance funding.
- 15 The other two items that are in that list are
- 16 item number 12 which is \$35.2 million, and that is
- specific projects that were put forward by the four
- 18 institutions listed. It is fire and sprinkler system for
- 19 DRI, some ADA improvements campus-wide for UNLV,
- campus-wide roofing projects at UNR, and an exterior
- 21 building renovation for TMCC. So that \$35.2 million had
- specific projects associated with it, and we would
- 23 allocate it that way if that were funded.
- 24 And then item number 14 is just a -- that is
- 25 a supplement to the HECC/SHECC funding that we would

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- - 1 allocate in a similar basis according to square footage throughout the system.

 - So the system has, as I mentioned, quite a
 - 4 deferred maintenance backlog. There is a maintenance
 - project listing across the system of about \$300 million
 - dollars of deferred maintenance projects, so there's
 - 7 quite a significant need there, and that funding would go
 - 8 a long way. And with that, I would like to hand it off
 - to Western Nevada.
 - MS. CHARLTON: And one last comment. I would 10
 - be remiss if we didn't extend our appreciation to all of
 - the institutions in the system, to your staff at the
 - State Public Works Board for working with our campuses
 - hand-in-hand. And I know that comes on behalf of
 - ourselves, the presidents as well as the Board of 15

 - Regents, so thank you. 16
 - 17 CHAIR HAND: Chairperson Hand, for the
 - 18 record. I failed to do this when I started again. If
 - you would please state your name and your institution
 - when you get started, that would be really helpful.
 - 21 Thank you.
 - 22 MR. DALPE: Thank you. Good morning
 - 23 everybody. Kyle Dalpe, president of Western Nevada
 - 24 College here in Carson City, Fallon, and our Douglas
 - 25 campus in Minden-Gardnerville. I'm going to try to make

- I thought it would help just to give you a 2 quick background on the process that gets us to here. We
- 3 started in the early part of this calendar year with
- 4 campus presentations on their priorities, and then over
- 5 the course of several months worked with the system's
- 6 business officers and presidents to sort through the
- projects, review them and move forward with the ranking
- 8 recommendations to the Board of Regents that they
- 9 received at their main meeting, special meeting, so that
- 10 we could submit that ranking to the Public Works
- 11 Division, and that's the ranking that you have in this
- presentation today. 12
- I'll cover a couple of items. So the way 13
- we've organized the presentation, it's by institution, so some of the projects will be out of order from the
- ranking, but we're based on their positioning in the
- ranking, they'll go through all of their projects at 17 once. 18
- 19 And I wanted to introduce we have three
- projects that are -- I would consider them bundled 20 deferred maintenance requests. There's actually other
- specific projects within the rankings that are deferred
- maintenance projects for some of the institutions as well, so I think all told, there's about half of these
- 25 requests that are deferred maintenance related, but three

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- 1 this work. We appreciate everything the State Public
- 2 Works has done over the recent years. We do have a
- 3 couple of projects that span back that you've helped us
- 4 with, and we appreciate as a small institution, we
- 5 appreciate the support.
- 6 Today, I've got four items we'll go over.
- 7 I'll spend a little bit more time on the first one. This
- 8 is our Aspen building on the Carson City campus. This
- 9 was ranked number one overall for the NSHE institutional
- 10 projects by the NSHE rankings process which I appreciate
- 11 my colleagues supporting us on this.
- As noted on here, we do have \$250,000 of our
- 13 own money allocated for planning, and we are asking for
- 14 the \$1.5 million for this project for this building.
- 15 Back up just a little bit and let you know real quick
- 16 that last year, Western Nevada College soared on
- 17 enrollment. We have up 17 percent last year and we've
- 18 maintained that and even got a little bit ahead of it
- 19 this year. That is the highest enrollment we've had that
- 20 more than 12 years. So we continue to build the college
- 21 programs without building new buildings, so we're trying
- 22 to take care and maintain the buildings that we have.
- 23 So our Aspen building which sits in the
- 24 center of our Carson campus has been renovated over the
- 25 last five to seven years. The first piece was Carson

- 1 building out the space for the food service which
- 2 includes the instructional space.
- 3 And, Mr. Chair, I'll just keep going, and if
- 4 I see a hand go up, I'm assuming being first, you guys
- 5 will hold all of your questions for the end, but you're
- 6 welcome to jump in and interrupt me if needed. I also
- 7 appreciate being the last in the alphabet going first
- 8 today because Western, we always go last. But the number
- 9 one project helped us for that.
- .o The second one that is one of our projects
- 11 you can see the ranking on the list there, number 14 is
- an observatory which is at the Carson City campus. If
- you've not been out there, I invite you to come out.
- 14 Saturday nights, we have star parties. They're a little
- 15 more robust in the fall because the days are shorter and
- 16 night skies are longer. We are looking for renovation
- 17 here of approximately \$1.1 million to help reboot that
- 18 observatory facility. It's gotten a little bit rundown
- in the 20 years that it's been there.
- The Carson campus overall as many of you
- 21 realize, was hit pretty hard two years ago by the snow we
- 22 had and we still have buildings that are recovering now
- 23 and the observatory sits up on the hill, so there's some
- 24 facility renovation that's needed. There's some pieces
- 25 that we can do for refreshing it, and what we're trying

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- 1 Nugget Hall. It's an events space. The second piece,
- 2 thanks to the Pennington Foundation, was over a million
- 3 dollars of support for biology labs including a cadaver
- 4 facility. We've put our own money into it to re-do and
- 5 refresh windows on the east side, which is the hardest
- 6 hit when the sun rises, and now we are working on our
- 7 bookstore space, which is going to turn itself into a
- 8 workforce hub with support of the Pennington Foundation,
- 9 the Redfield Foundation and our own institutional funds.
 - So when we look at that building, the last
- 11 piece that we have to renovate to make that building
- 12 complete is our cafeteria space which is our food service
- 13 space, our outdated restrooms, all of it in that area,
- 14 and that will finish that building.

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- We have not been able to have a food service
- 16 on campus for students because of the condition of the
- 17 cafeteria, so we have put together a plan as you can see
- 18 in the bullet points that will not only refresh that area
- 19 and renovate it for use as a commercial kitchen but also
- 20 help us have the fundamental first few classes of a
- 21 culinary program to link with our major partners that we
- 22 offer culinary now which includes Carson High School and
- 23 Churchill County High School and some of the others. And
- 24 so we are looking for the funding here that will help
- 25 support the final renovation of that building as well as

- 1 to do with that is we are trying to get that facility in
- 2 order: Proper lighting, etcetera, for stargazing so that
- 3 we can start to building more K-12 programs and bring in
- 4 students from the school districts. We have also looked
- 5 at other avenues for funding for programming, so this
- 6 would be facilities through State Public Works. The
- 7 programming component would come from other funding
- 8 sources so we can reboot that piece.
- The final two are kind of are specific to us,
- 10 but they are what I would call the deferred maintenance
- 11 or pieces that have started to really fall by the
- 12 wayside. One of them is our Sage Building and our Fallon
- 13 campus. We have three buildings out there. We own the
- 14 buildings. They live on the county property, but we are
- 15 responsible for the facilities and we have an HVAC
- 16 problem with our Sage Building which unfortunately, we
- 17 can't just take offline because it houses of course
- 18 needed programs, but in particular, our CTE programs.
- 19 Ironically, the HVAC replacement in the Sage Building is
- 20 the building that houses our HVAC program out there, but
- the HVAC is so old that they've been buying parts off the Internet. It's a single package on the roof, and
- 23 multiple buildings now have multiple packages, so it
- really needs a complete redo. And so that would help that building which houses our auto, computer science

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- 1 lab, our CDL commercial driver's license training and
- 2 welding labs. So we are looking for funding for that as3 well.
- 4 And then the final piece on our list is
- 5 boiler replacements at two of our facilities. Those are
- 6 at the Carson campus and the Douglas campus down in
- 7 Minden. Again, \$1.3 million to help with the boiler side
- 8 of the HVAC system. And so again, another more along the
- 9 lines of a deferred maintenance project, but one that
- 10 definitely needs to be done. We are a small institution.
- 11 We do have a record number of students. However, our
- 12 spaces are very dated and we spend a lot of time
- 13 renovating them and restructuring them before we even
- 14 look at the possibility of new buildings, and so keeping
- 15 them running is our priority.
- So with that, I think that's my last slide.
- 17 So if there's any questions, happy to answer them or I'll
- 18 hand it off to the next person.
- 19 MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. When you make
- 20 your presentations the way that you are making your
- 21 presentations, it's not how our books are.
- MR. DALPE: Oh.
- 23 MEMBER WALKER: We are arranged by your
- 24 priorities not by your divisional priorities. So would
- 25 you give us a little gap for one to the next one so we

- 1 constructed on the DRI and Reno campus adjoins TMCC and
 - 2 will also be shared with the Nevada State University
 - 3 providing the first purpose build facility in Northern
 - 4 Nevada for them. The building is envisioned as a 40,000
 - 5 square-foot facility with classrooms, laboratories,
 - 6 co-located, encouraging collaboration between DRI's world
 - 7 renown scientists and students from TMCC and NSU.
 - 8 DRI has experienced unprecedented growth in
 - 9 the last four years. Our revenue has grown by about 55
 - 10 percent and our employee numbers has gone up by about 50
 - percent, so we've grown from about 400 plus employees to600 plus employees right now, and we are trying to manage
 - 13 as efficiently as we can within the existing space that
 - 14 we have, but eventually, soon enough, our growth will be
 - 15 constrained by lack of space that we have. That's why
 - 16 this is a desperately needed project for us.
 - 17 This project has been -- DRI and TMCC has
 - 18 pursued this project for over 20 years. The first time,
 - 19 we went to the legislature in 2005 and 2007. The space
 - 20 that we're asking for we're also hoping to build a joint
 - 21 use auditorium in this building and then that will be
 - 22 used by all three institutions and this will also help
 - 23 the economy of the region. Recognizing the importance o
 - 24 the project, the Board of Regents chose this as number
 - 25 two overall ranking for this project. And I'd invite my

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- 1 can get to that page?
- 2 MR. DALPE: Absolutely. Yes. Absolutely.
- 3 MEMBER WALKER: Thank you.
- 4 MR. DALPE: The first one should have been
- 5 right on and then --
- 6 CHAIR HAND: And please state the number.
- 7 MR. DALPE: Okay.
- 8 CHAIR HAND: Thank you.
- 9 MR. DALPE: Mr. Chair, do I need to go back
- 10 and review my four or are we good? Back up? We're good.
- 11 MEMBER WALKER: I was able to get to each
- 12 one.
- MR. DALPE: All right. Heads up for those
- 14 behind me.
- 15 MEMBER WALKER: Trying to do such.
- 16 CHAIR HAND: You must have done a great job.
- 17 We don't have any questions for you. Thank you.
- 18 MR. DALPE: Thanks.
- 19 MR. ACHARYA: Good morning. I'm Kumud
- 20 Acharya, president of DRI. Acharya: A-C-H-A-R-Y-A. I'm
- 21 here with my colleagues but they will introduce
- 22 themselves later.
- So this is a unique project, a unique
- 24 partnership between three NSHE institutions, and this is
- 25 the only ask that we have this year. The project to be

- 1 colleagues if you want to add anything else at this time.
- 2 DR. HILGERSOM: So good morning. I'm
- 3 Dr. Karin Hilgersom, for the record, president of TMCC on
- 4 my ninth year, and it's been a dream come true with the
- 5 exception to capital. Anyway, that's why I'm always so
- 6 excited to come before this board and make the pitch, but
- 7 this is the best pitch I've done since I arrived in 2016
- 8 because of partnership.
- 9 This is a fantastic partnership between the
- 10 Desert Research Institute, Truckee-Meadows Community
- 11 College and Nevada State University. So why is it a
- 12 great partnership? Well, I first of all, Dr. DeRionne
- 13 Pollard and I have a lot of great partnerships that we've
- 14 already begun, and I think that one that's my personal
- 15 favorite, we have a three-plus one bachelor's degree in
- 16 graphic art and design at TMCC where Nevada State
- 17 University funds a full-time faculty member who covers
- 18 the upper division credits, most of them, and she is
- 19 located in Reno, right? So now we have students at a
- 20 two-year college, predominately two-year college getting
- 21 a very affordable bachelor's degree through Nevada State
- 22 University, all happening in Reno at TMCC. And this
- 23 really is the vision of the State University tier that we
- 24 now enjoy in Nevada. So that is really great.
- We intend on doing similar partnerships in

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- 1 this new facility, and the one that comes to mind for
- 2 TMCC are include both the sciences and teachers who teach
- 3 science. So it's all about STEM.
- 4 We're also up in enrollment this semester.
- 5 It's looking like we're up 18 percent, which is
- 6 phenomenal, and we're still enrolling. And school
- 7 started this week. So this is really terrific. We know
- 8 we have a growing number of teachers. We have a growing
- 9 number of scientists. We are also a Hispanic-serving
- 10 institution and a minority-serving institution, and we
- 11 are seeing just an increase in these two important
- 12 majors. And this will be transformative. There's three
- 13 zones in this new building: The imagination zone, the
- 14 invention zone, and the transformation zone. And I think
- 15 Dr. Pollard can talk a little bit about that because
- 16 she's so good.
- DR. POLLARD: That's a lot of pressure.
- 18 DeRionne Polland, Nevada State University, honored to be
- 19 before you again. I'll briefly state my brief
- 20 introduction. This type of concept is certainly not a
- 21 novel one. If you would look at higher education across
- 22 the country, maximizing taxpayers resources by
- 23 co-locating institutions who have shared missions and
- 24 also have shared delivery options maximizes the taxpayers
- 25 dollars while at the same time, providing access and

- 1 DR. HILGERSOM: Any questions?
- 2 MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. On your project,
- 3 I see your construction costs and your fit-and-finish.
- 4 And your fit-and-finish is roughly 10 percent of your
- 5 construction costs. If this is going to be labs and
- 6 technology, what are your specifics within the labs and
- 7 the technology? Is that just ten percent of construction
- 8 or are there specifics?
- 9 MR. ACHARYA: I'd like to maybe invite Peter
- 10 Ross, vice-president of DRI, and he has a lot of
- 11 experience building labs: 35 years at DRI.
- MR. ROSS: Good morning. Peter Ross, from
- 13 the Desert Research Institute, for the record. Thank you
- 14 for your attention to this project. We appreciate it.
- 15 Again, it's the number two priority ranked by
- 16 NSHE, so we're really excited that the Regents have also
- 17 recognized the importance of this facility. The costs
- 18 that we have currently projected are very preliminary,
- 19 and we've worked with fewer board staff to outline the
- 20 programming site evaluation and then the design of the
- 21 building, so there's still a lot of room within the
- 22 project for us to look at how best to optimize it. So
- 23 very, very early in the process.
- The illustration that you see on the slide
- 25 was developed four years ago with help from your former

- 1 choice to students. And that's what this opportunity, I
- 2 think, before us lies here.
- 3 As we stated, we already have a small
- 4 presence of blueprint in the north by doing that
- 5 primarily at TMCC. We also have online presence we
- 6 deliver courses in teacher education. What's very
- 7 important here that we believe is that this allows us to
- 8 have presence, a more defined and to free up space on
- 9 Dr. Hilgersom's campus, but it also allows our students
- 10 to see pathways, whether they are students wanting to 11 pursue becoming teachers, if they're students who want to
- become scientists, they're going to be in spaces where
- 13 they're going to have the opportunity to see, feel, and
- 14 live that.
- And then finally, what I think is probably
- 16 most important, it gives students an opportunity to think
- 17 about choice. There are phenomenal institutions in this
- 18 state, and having students be able to consider all of
- 19 those options as a part of their educational future is
- 20 something that we're very proud of. So I'm grateful to
- 21 my colleagues who have been planning this building for a
- 22 number of years. I recognize that this is a unique
- 23 opportunity that occurs in many states across the country
- 24 and certainly could be a novel one for the State of
- 25 Nevada. Thank you.

- 1 administrator, Chris Chimits, who came to DRI and worked
- 2 with us as a part-time architect, and we are looking
- 3 forward to updating that and making sure that it's
- 4 optimized for the needs of all three institutions.
- 5 MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. So you're not
- 6 after any more State money than what -- for
- 7 fit-and-finish than what is included in here?
- 8 MR. ROSS: The current request is for
- 9 planning, programming and planning through construction
- 10 documents. We hope to be back after that to ask for
- 11 further funds for construction of the building.
- 12 MEMBER WALKER: Okay. Thank you.
- 13 CHAIR HAND: Thank you for your presentation.
- 14 Nice job.
- 15 PRESIDENT SANDOVAL: Good morning
- 16 Mr. Chairman, Vice-Chair, Members of the Committee,
- 17 Director. For the record, Brian Sandoval, president of
- 18 the University of Nevada. It's a privilege and honor to
- 19 be here.20 And first and foremost, I want to thank you
- 21 all for your recommendation which the Governor adopted
- 22 with regard to the maintenance money. We're using that
- 23 to update the campus in terms of ADA projects across
- 24 campus, and it's truly been a benefit, and that was about
- 25 \$17 million of the \$15 million that we were recommending.

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- 1 So I think it's always important for you to know what
- 2 happened before and what we're doing now. But I am
- 3 honored to present the University's priorities list for
- 4 the 2025-2027 biennial capital request.
- 5 Our top capital request continues to be the
- 6 advanced planning for a new life sciences building. This
- 7 request has been our top priority since 2018 and has been
- 8 a priority for the Board of Regents every biennium since
- 9 2019, making this the fourth time we've requested funding 10 for this very building.
- And as you recall, the current Fleischmann
- 12 Agricultural Science Building is now 65 years old and no
- 13 longer meets the standards for laboratory and teaching
- 14 spaces expected of a competitive, R-1 Carnegie research
- 15 university, and we are proud to say that this year, our
- 16 research expenditures were approximately \$180 million
- 17 dollars, which is the highest research expenditures that
- 18 we've ever had, but if you've had the opportunity to
- 19 visit this business building, as I like to say, the '50s
- 20 called and wants its building back.
- We've done the best we can in terms of
- 22 accommodating all of the modern research that needs to be
- 23 done in that building. We've remodeled, we've done our
- 24 best to adapt the existing structure, but it's just
- 25 gotten to the point where we can't do that anymore. In

- 1 congenital and trauma-induced disorders. They will be
- 2 premed students, pre-nursing students, so these are all
- 3 skills and workforce that we desperately need in the
- 4 state. They'll also be involved in biotechnology.
- 5 environmental sciences and the pharmaceutical industry.
- 6 So again, moving on to number ten, the next
- 7 CIP request is not a fancy one but a necessary one that
- 8 would provide funding for a crucial HVAC and chiller
- 9 upgrade on the north end of campus. And again, if you
- 10 look at the photo on the slide, that's the temporary one
- that we use up on the north end of campus because thecurrent one has failed. And so every summer, we have to
- 13 rent this one in order to cool the building. But this
- 14 project entails installing two 300-ton chillers to
- 15 enhance the chilled water system that cools multiple
- 16 buildings ensuring a comfortable and sustainable
- 17 environment for our students and faculty.
- The current system, as I said, one chiller is
- 19 broken. I mean, it has failed. But it's aging and
- 20 becoming less efficient. The upgrade is vital for energy
- 21 conservation, operational sufficiency and the long-term
- 22 sustainability of our campus infrastructure, providing a
- 23 safe and conducive learning environment for our students
- 24 and faculty. And again, I think this request mirrors one
- 25 that was made by DRI two years ago which was approved by

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- 1 fact, if you walk into the hallway, we have those rinsing
- 2 stations that are sitting out in the hallways with no
- 3 drains because we can't accommodate that, but we need to
- 4 put those rinsing stations out there. So this is indeed
- 5 an urgent need for our campus to continue our R-1
- 6 research mission, and even more importantly, to support
- 7 our academic and research faculty.
- 8 I think if you look at the slide, I think
- 9 this building is approximately \$40 million dollars more
- 10 for the exact same building that we asked for four
- 11 sessions ago. So before I move to the next item, happy
- 12 to answer any questions with regard to the proposed life
- 13 sciences building.
- All right. I'll move on. The next item is
- 15 number ten. And actually, with your permission,
- 16 Mr. Chairman, I did leave some notes out that I would
- 17 like to make for the record with regard to life sciences building.
- 19 CHAIR HAND: Sure. Please do.
- 20 PRESIDENT SANDOVAL: So I think it's
- 21 important also to make a record for how students would
- 22 benefit and how the State would be served with regard to
- 23 this building. The types of students that will be
- 24 benefitting from a new building will be involved and will
- 25 be studying brain and neurodevelopment, sleep and

- 1 this committee. It's just one of those things. It's
- 2 here we've gotten a good useful life out of that chiller.
- 3 It has failed, and it is something that we desperately
- 4 need.
- 5 So with that, Mr. Chairman, Members of the
- 6 Committee, I'd be happy to answer your questions. Thank7 you.
- 8 CHAIR HAND: Well, NSHE is doing a fabulous
- 9 job presenting this morning because there are not many
- 10 questions. So thank you for your presentation. Good 11 job.
- 12 PRESIDENT SANDOVAL: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
- DR. POLLARD: Good morning again. DeRionne
- 14 Pollard, president of Nevada State University. It is
- 15 always difficult to follow my colleague, Mr. Sandoval,
- but I'm going to try and do so and hopefully can keep the
- 17 roll going in terms of us doing good things here.
- 18 Again, I'm representing Nevada State
- 19 University. To my left is Dr. Gloria Walker, who is our
- 20 vice-president for all things budget and finance. So as
- 21 I always say, I'm happy to have her answer the hard
- 22 questions and I will do all the easy ones to the extent
- Nevada State University is a new and growing
- 25 institution. We're just experiencing our 22nd birthday

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we can.

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- 1 coming up soon. We are going to be developing nearly 450
- 2 acres of developable land on that campus. We're
- 3 fortunate to have newer buildings and less deferred
- 4 maintenance than some of our colleagues have described.
- 5 However, our needs are unique in comparison to every
- 6 other institution. In particular, we can't fully serve
- our mission as a mid-tier institution that provides
- 8 savings to taxpayers by being a teaching institution
- 9 without the adequate resources necessary to do the work
- 10 of that. So with that in mind, you will see four
- 11 projects that I'll speak to and hopefully, I'll respond
- to any questions that you may have with that.
- The first project was ranked number five 13
- 14 according to the NSHE ranking list, and this is our
- 15 academic village. This is an opportunity for us to serve
- as a resource efficient hub where students can have all
- of their student services and many of their academic
- support services co-located in one facility.
- Nevada State currently requires 244 percent 19
- 20 more study space to meet the needs of our student body.
- We know that students support services are critical for
- 22 the students that we have the privilege of serving. 30
- 23 percent retention rates are seen when students access
- 24 tutoring services, so we want to expand that space. Our
- 25 current tutoring services exist in a space that's about

- 1 unique as it compares to many of our peer institutions
- 2 because we're new. And as a result of that, our campus
- 3 is primarily composed in the corpus of four buildings
- 4 right now with two other buildings that are adjacent
- 5 somewhat of a little bit of a distance from that in
- 6 addition to a series of residence halls. So we are
- compacted and our growth is contracted because we don't
- 8 have adequate space to do the growth that we need to do
- and can do.
- MEMBER WALKER: That being five years from 10
- 11 now, when will you start the process for your funding
- request for that expansion? 12
- DR. POLLARD: We have brought this for this 13
- 14 period as a planning project. We de-coupled it. I think
- our original presentation the first time we brought it
- 16 was all in at one. We were counselled to separate that,
- so last year we divided it as a planning project and we
- 18 bring it back this year. This is just for planning of
- 19 this \$5 million and then we will bring back in the
- 20 subsequent year subsequent session for construction and
- 21 FF&E.
- MEMBER WALKER: Thank you. 22
- DR. POLLARD: Thank you. 23
- CHAIR HAND: If there are no other questions, 24
- 25 go ahead and proceed.

- DR. POLLARD: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Our
 - 2 second project is ranked 13 in the NSHE list. I'll pause
 - 3 and let you advance if you'd like to do so. This is
 - 4 again a planning grant or planning project that we're
 - 5 asking for where we are going to build additional
 - classrooms, lab space and office space. Again on or
 - campus, Nevada State was one of our primary missions was
 - founded around the creation of nurses, and about 43
 - percent of all NSHE nurses that are background prepared
 - 10 come from Nevada State University within the state.
 - We are at profound capacity issues as it 11
 - 12 relates to our science laboratories. This allows us also
 - 13 to expand into other STEM areas and therefore, with fewer
 - 14 programs and less capacity, we're unable to meet the
 - 15 needs that we have currently in our campus, so we have
 - 16 asked for planning dollars to allow us to build this
 - building hopefully in a future year to come back and ask

 - 18 the body for consideration for construction and then 19 FF&E.
 - CHAIR HAND: Chairperson Hand, for the 20 21 record. Any questions?
 - MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly. I see here 22
 - 23 on this one, it says that you all are the second-fastest
 - 24 growing four-year public institution in the nation. That
 - 25 sounds pretty impressive. Can you speak on that a little

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1 one-seventh the size of this room. So we would benefit

- 2 deeply for our students having that, and our academic
- village was ranked higher in previous sessions.
- This is our third opportunity to bring this 4
- 5 before this body, but we have only continued to grow
- since that time. This project is one that is near and
- dear to my heart because we know that it is indeed
- necessary for students to have those support services in
- order for them to be successful within an academic
- environment. 10
- 11 Mr. Chairman, I can continue, or if you'd
- 12 like me to pause for any questions regarding this
- particular project. 13
- CHAIR HAND: Let's take questions if they 14 15 exist. Yes.
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- MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. DR. POLLARD: Yes, sir. 17
- MEMBER WALKER: In your submittal to us, you 18
- 19 have a deficit space requirement to be funded by 2029 by 73,000 square feet. 20
- DR. POLLARD: We do have a deficit space. We 21
- do not have -- if I am understanding your question 23 correctly, we do not have enough space to serve the
- 24 students that we have and certainly for the anticipated 25 growth of the institution. That is what makes us very

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- 1 bit? Is that mostly online or in person or?
- 2 DR. POLLARD: No, it's actually in person.
- 3 The chronicle of higher education a few years ago, they
- 4 do a national ranking of the fastest-growing institutions
- 5 and ours contributes, which is interesting, it's an
- 6 anomaly compared to what's happened across the country
- 7 where you're seeing the north and southeast and northeast
- 8 -- excuse me -- the southeast and the southwest are
- 9 growing in higher education typically whereas the
- 10 northeast and other parts of the country, particularly
- 11 the Midwest, are contracting. Our populations are
- 12 growing in these areas, and as a result of that, we've
- 13 enjoyed a growth.
- I'll also say it's because of how we serve
- 15 our students and the students we typically serve. 75
- 16 percent of our students at Nevada State are students of
- 17 color. Almost 80 percent of our students -- excuse me --
- 18 50 percent of our students are first generation students,
- 19 and we continue to attract what we call the new majority
- 20 in higher education.
- So as a result of that, we are growing
- 22 rapidly and we're also seeing expansions in addition to
- 23 online, in our dual-credit program. So we've been very
- 24 successful in both of those spaces, and as a result of
- 25 that, that growth, certainly has tempered some post

- 1 order to build out the rest of that facility -- excuse me
- 2 -- the campus. Short-term water pumps are costly and
- 3 have increased risk for damaging pipes due to bubble
- 4 pockets. I'm an English professor, but I have learned
- 5 about bubble pockets.
- 6 There is also an opportunity for this could
- 7 be grouped with our other capital priority projects as
- 8 necessary. The cost has increased dramatically as I've
- 9 said since I arrived here due to inflation. And
- 10 potentially, we are looking to expand this project and go
- 11 forth with what we're calling our smart growth
- 12 opportunity to build out through an alternative
- 13 non-public funded process for that campus. We're very
- 14 excited about what this could do for us, but more
- 15 importantly, what's necessary for the campus in the
- 16 long-term.
- 17 CHAIR HAND: Chairperson Hand, for the
- 18 record. Do we have any questions? Philip looks like
- 19 he's digging.
- 20 MEMBER MANNELLY: Yeah. Phil Mannelly, for
- 21 the record. This description talks about possibly
- 22 partnering with the City of Henderson, their municipal
- 23 water supply system. Would they share in some of the
- 24 costs of construction if that's feasible?
- DR. POLLARD: That is one of the -- whether

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- 1 COVID. I think all of higher education is experiencing
- 2 some renewed efforts around enrollment with the exception
- 3 of our community colleges in this state, so that's
- 4 something that needs to be, I think, congratulated
- 5 wholeheartedly. Thank you for the question.6 My next request is by far the most sexiest
- one on the list. This would be water infrastructures.
- 8 The thing that I love talking about all the time: Water,
- 9 water, water. This was ranked 19 on the NSHE ranking 10 list.
- I know that when I arrived at this
- 12 institution three years ago, during my interview, several
- 13 folks talked to me about a water problem. And I thought
- 14 we needed more water because we were in the desert, and I
- 15 found out it's not that we need more water, which we do.
- We actually have a water pressure issue. And as a result of that, we have about 75 percent of our available land
- 18 is affected by an inadequate water pressure issue. So
- 19 when I arrived, if I'm correct, it was a \$6 to \$7
- 20 million-dollar project. Now it is almost an \$11
- 21 million-dollar project that's grown extensively.
- It is a public safety issue for fire
- 23 suppression, and it also impacts our ability to develop
- 24 our property as we move forward because we have to have
- 25 water pumps in every building or every minor project in

- 1 the State, County and/or the City of Henderson, we've had
- 2 extensive conversations with the City of Henderson about
 3 this because they also have adjacent properties that the
- 3 this because they also have adjacent properties that they
- 4 know will be developing in the near future, so we are5 prepared and they're prepared to have those conversations
- 6 as well with us to help defray the cost. So that's
- 7 something that we think brings us to the table as a
- 8 benefit as well. Great observations.
- 9 CHAIR HAND: Looks like we have no further 10 questions.
- DR. POLLARD: Thank you.
- 12 CHAIR HAND: Thank you. Nice job.
- DR. POLLARD: My last project is ranked 23.
- 14 We just made it on the list here. I often tell people
- 15 that the one gift of COVID is that COVID has given us, I
- 16 think, a vocabulary and an awareness around mental health
- 17 and wellness, particularly as it affects college
- 18 students. So we are asking in this particular project of
- 19 planning dollars for a facility for mental health that
- 20 will allow us to have a licensed counselor and a
- 21 treatment area on the campus for students.
- We know this is critical for many of our
- 23 students, especially those who are first-generation
- 24 students who largely come from lower socioeconomic
- 25 backgrounds that may not have access to these types of

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- 1 facilities or services in their communities. Many of our
- 2 students actually are commuter institution primarily.
- They commute hours away, and if we can provide those
- services on our campus similar to many of our sister
- institutions, we know it would be not only an asset to
- those students and their families, but I dare say an
- asset to our community as we have healthier and thriving
- members in our community.
- And that, Mr. Chair, is the last project. 9
- And I'm happy to respond to any questions that you all
- may have regarding that or anything I've spoken to.
- CHAIR HAND: Again, very nice job. We don't 12
- 13 have any questions, so thank you for your presentation.
- DR. POLLARD: Thank you, sir. Thank you to 14
- every member. 1.5
- DR. DONNELLI: Good morning. For the record, 16
- 17 I'm Dr. Amber Donnelli, and I am the president of Great
- 18 Basin College. Thank you for the opportunity to speak
- with you today on behalf of Great Basin College. It's an
- 20 honor to be here to present to this distinguished group
- of leaders who play a critical role in shaping the
- infrastructure and future of the great state of Nevada. 22
- I'm pleased to represent an institution that 23
- 24 has been at the heart of higher education and workforce
- 25 development in rural Nevada for greater than 50 years.

- 1 is very clear. Without it, our ability to expand
- 2 programs and provide essential training for Pahrump's
- 3 industries remains constrained by our currently
- 4 undersized facility. This limitation directly impacts
- 5 our capacity to meet the educational and workforce needs
- 6 of our growing community.
- Pahrump is one of the fastest growing areas
- 8 in our state, and this new campus will play a crucial
- 9 role in improving access to higher education for its
- 10 residents. It will serve as a beacon of opportunity,
- 11 offering programs that directly address the needs of our
- local populations and our industries.
- Moreover, the campus is designed to be an 13
- 14 innovative and workforce development hub. It will help
- meet the critical needs of healthcare, manufacturing,
- Lithium mining and other emerging industries by providing
- training, resources and the necessary resources for this
- 18 sector. The Pahrump Valley campus will not only support
- the local economy but also contribute to the broader
- 20 economic development of Southern Nevada. And I'll pause
- there for any questions that you guys might have.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Yeah, Phil Mannelly. Can 22
- 23 you speak a little more about this commitment to build in
- ten years from the BLM? 24
- DR. DONNELLI: That's correct. So when the 25

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- 1 Our college serves a vast diverse region providing access
- 2 to quality education and training that empowers our
- students to strengthen our communities.
- Today I'm here to discuss the significant 4
- projects that are crucial to the continued growth and
- success of our institution. These projects not only
- enhance our ability to serve our students, but also align
- to our broader goals in the State of Nevada with economic
- growth and development, workforce readiness and community
- enrichment that are vital for the State of Nevada. 10
- This first slide outlines the beginning of a 11
- 12 new chapter for Great Basin College as we embark in the
- development of our Pahrump Valley campus. This master
- planning project is a crucial step in expanding our reach 14
- to impact Southern Nevada. The project is more than just
- buildings and infrastructure. It represents our
- commitment to expanding our educational access and 17
- 18 fostering community growth in Pahrump and the surrounding
- areas. 19
- The total cost of this project is \$12.46 20
- 21 million with \$12.16 million requested from the State and
- 22 \$300,000 committed by Great Basin College. In 2016, the
- 23 Bureau of Land Management conveyed 274 acres of land to
- 24 Great Basin College with a commitment to build within ten
- 25 years. As we approach that deadline, urgency for funding

- 1 land was handed over to Great Basin College, you have to
- 2 have some sort of development on that land. And so we
- 3 are headed towards that deadline of 2026 where we have to
- 4 have some sort of progress. This is our initial step of
- 5 that progress, and I would tell you that initially when
- we started looking at this in 2016, the cost of what
- 7 we're asking for today was around \$3 million. And just
- 8 as President Sandoval said with that increase over time,
- 9 it keeps growing, so a year ago, it was \$8 million. Now
- 10 we're at a \$12-million mark, and we know that that's
- 11 going to go up in the next year to \$13 million. So we're
- 12 in that same cycle of seeing that develop and the cost
- 13 increasing.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly again. I 14
- 15 guess probably a two-part followup question. Then does
- 16 the just doing the design satisfy the requirements of the 17 BLM? And is there anything short of a, you know, all in
- 18 looks like, you know, \$115 million-dollar project that
- would satisfy the needs of the BLM?
- DR. DONNELLI: I mean, ideally, we would like 20
- 21 to do the full project, but doing it in pieces and having
- 22 some sort of development, so this is the first that they
- 23 would accept as progress towards development on the
- 24 property without actually breaking ground. Any further

25 questions?

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- 1 All right. As we focus on preserving the
- 2 legacy of Great Basin College, it is essential to address
- 3 the infrastructure needs of our two most historical
- 4 significant buildings: McMullen Hall and Lundberg Hall.
- 5 These buildings have served our campus communities for
- 6 decades, but their age has brought on critical challenges
- 7 that must be addressed to ensure the continued -- to
- 8 ensure that they will continue to serve efficiently.
- 9 The McMullen Hall and Lundberg Hall roof and
- 10 the HVAC repair total cost is \$1.1 million with \$1
- 11 million-dollar request and \$100,000 committed by Great
- 12 Basin College. Both buildings have rooftop HVAC systems
- 13 that are nearly 30 years old, far beyond their useful
- 14 life. Additionally, the roofs are in poor condition with
- 15 previous repairs no longer effective leading to
- 16 persistent leaks and ongoing damage.
- The McMullen Hall is a central hub for
- 18 college housing our library, veterans affairs office,
- 19 classrooms and office space. The leaks not only damage
- 20 the building but also pose health risks due to the water 21 exposure.
- Lundberg Hall houses vital data centers and
- 23 infrastructure such as SCS, NDOT and GBC, making it a
- 24 critical project and that the space cannot experience
- 25 further water damage. These repairs are not just about

- 1 functionality but also make GBC more attractive for
- 2 prospective students and faculty. The renovation is
- 3 essential to maintaining a welcome, efficient and
- 4 accessible environment for both students and staff at
- 5 Great Basin College. And are there any questions?
- 6 Hearing none, I'll go on. This project
- 7 focuses on the comprehensive repair and resurfacing on
- 8 our parking lot asphalt both in Elko and the Ely campus
- 9 along with necessary repairs to walkways on the Elko
- 10 campus. By addressing the existing surface damage, we
- 11 aim to ensure safety, accessibility and the overall
- 12 aesthetics and appeal of these vital areas ensuring
- 13 long-term durability and improved user experience. The
- 14 total cost of this project is \$825,000 with \$750,000
- 15 requested from the State, and \$75,000 will be provided by 16 GBC.
- Some of the key points that I would mention
- 18 is that the Elko campus has nearly 500 square feet of
- 19 asphalt, and the Ely campus has around 42,000 square
- 20 feet. This project will address cracks, potholes and
- 21 general wear and tear, sealing the asphalt, repainting
- 22 parking stalls on both campuses. Regular comprehensive
- maintenance like this is essential to extend the lifespan
- 24 and infrastructure and reduce the needs of frequent
- 25 repairs; ultimately saves money by addressing these

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- 1 maintaining the infrastructure, they are about the
- 2 safeguards of health and safety and functionality of this
- 3 critical spaces at Great Basin College. And I'll pause
- 4 for any questions that you might have.
- 5 Great. This project focuses on renovating
- 6 and modernizing Berg Hall at Great Basin College Elko
- 7 campus. Our goal is to transform the building into a
- 8 welcoming student center with efficient workspace while
- 9 ensuring it meets ADA compliance and standards. This
- 10 renovation is essential to ensuring the functionality and
- 11 accessibility of one of our key campus buildings.
- The project has a total cost of \$2.75 million
- 13 with \$2.5 million requested and \$250,000 contributed by
- 14 Great Basin College. The renovation will modernize Berg
- 15 Hall at the Elko campus, transforming it into a student
- 16 center with workspace. And some of the challenges that
- 17 we have in that building just because of the datedness of
- 18 it are those ADA compliances. The HVAC system, lighting
- 19 and windows will be improved, creating energy efficiency
- 20 and reduced operational costs.
- 21 Currently, there is significant temperature
- 22 variations and poor circulation throughout that building.
- 23 The campus administration building is also housed in this
- 24 area, and this will improve our business operations.
- 25 Modernizing the space will not only improve the

- issues early on rather than allowing them to continue toget worse.
- 3 Additionally, the Elko campus has over
- 4 193,000 square feet of concrete much of which is falling,
- 5 cracked or heaved. These conditions pose significant
- 6 safety and accessibility risks. This project is crucial
- 7 to maintaining the integrity, safety and usability of our
- 8 campus infrastructure and helping to prevent larger, more
- 9 costly repairs in the future. And are there any
- 10 questions on that project?
- I'd like to thank you for your time and your
- attention today as we outline these critical projects
- 13 that are essential to the future of Great Basin College.
- 14 Each initiative, as we've discussed, reflects our
- 15 commitment to providing high quality education, fostering
- 16 community growth and ensuring that our facilities are
- 17 safe, efficient and accessible. By addressing these
- 18 needs, we are preparing Great Basin College to continue
- 19 to serve as a pillar of opportunity and excellence for
- 20 generations to come.
- I would also add that we're also experiencing
- 22 a high increase in growth in our student population of
- 23 over 16 percent at the start of this semester. That's
- 24 more growth in students than we have seen in the last
- 25 three to four years pre-COVID, so we know that we're

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1 growing and we're growing at all of these locations.

- I look forward to the opportunities ahead as
- 3 we bring these projects to life, and I am confident that
- with your support, we will achieve great things at Great
- Basin College and the communities that we serve. Thank
- you again for your commitment to the future of higher
- 7 education in the State of Nevada. And I am happy to
- address any final questions. Thank you.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly. I've got
- another question. I think it was mentioned on project
- number six, but in general, it talks about, you know,
- 12 skilled workforce for local businesses. Are there any
- 13 programs in particular that your college has that serves
- 14 I think that area as Pahrump or just in general that may
- 15 be unique for Great Basin that's not offered at other
- 16 colleges?

1 tech hub.

- DR. DONNELLI: Right. So that is a great 17
- 18 question. Dr. Amber Donnelli, for the record. I
- 19 appreciate you asking it because the second largest
- 20 Lithium deposit is in Tonopah. And so one of the
- 21 programs that we are going to be developing is called a
- 22 process plant operator trainer. That's going to be key
- 23 in our ability as a state to train workforce to develop
- 24 that project and work within that mining extract as well
- 25 as the processing and the lithium loop with that lithium

- 1 EKG. So the mining manufacturing is also a newer
- 2 program. So we're really expanding there and growing and
- 3 have an opportunity to see even more growth there. But
- 4 we're constrained by just having the one building and
- 5 what we can actually put in there. So we oftentimes use
- 6 the high school. It's adjacent to our primary campus
- 7 there. And so one of the programs that we're looking at
- 8 adding is going to be a diesel program, but that would be
- in partnership with their school district and using space on their campus in order to use their automotive lab.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly. Another 11
- 12 question. Perhaps a followup on my prior one. With the
- 13 land patent issue, is there a contingency plan if this
- isn't funded? 14
- DR. DONNELLI: You have to have some sort of 15
- development on there whether that be water, putting in a 16
- well or even developing a road into that piece of
- 18 property. It is also adjacent to the speedway, and so
- our thought process is really to utilize some of the
- 20 funding that we would have committed to this project and
- 21 use that for either road or some sort of utility access.
- And that might buy us a short amount of time, but it
- 23 wouldn't allow us to actually grow or develop or make an
- 24 impact other than retaining the piece of property which
- 25 was not the intent when that was deeded over to us.

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- The other areas are the manufacturing that we 2
- 3 already have in that area and then SB 375, which was the
- 4 funding that we received for nursing, our expansion is
- 5 specifically in Pahrump because there is such a need and
- such a shortage there that that's where we put the
- majority of the funding directed towards that campus.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Thank you. 8
- DIRECTOR GRIMMER: Joy Grimmer. I have a
- 10 question. Can you explain what the current footprint in
- 11 Pahrump is like, your enrollment numbers, that sort of
- 12 thing?
- 13 DR. DONNELLI: Yeah. So we have a pretty
- significant number of dual enrollment students there, but
- our campus also has its -- we're right around 38 percent
- of our enrollment comes from there. We're seeing a steep
- increase in how many students we actually have in that
- area and what we're recruiting to that area. But again,
- with the limited space and what we can have, we have one 19 building there. 20
- Right now, what we're able to offer as far as 21
- 22 live courses physically there are mostly in health
- sciences. We added the nursing program there. We've 23
- added the medical imaging program there, and then we just 25 added NAPE, which is medical assisting, phlebotomy and

- CHAIR HAND: Thank you very much. Great job. 1
- DR. DONNELLI: Thank you. 2
- PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: Good morning. It's
- 4 good to be here with you all today. I want to start by
- saying in my time at UNLV -- sorry. For the record,
- Keith Whitfield, president of UNLV. 6
- So in my time at UNLV, one of the true game 7
- changers for us was the investment of public works into
- building a new advanced engineering building. That on
- 10 our campus in the short time that it's been since it's
- 11 completed has truly transformed and built our capacity to
- 12 be able to provide a much needed piece of the workforce
- 13 in our state, so I want to thank you for that support.
- So for today, we bring you three different 15 projects, the first of which is the Lee Business School
- 16 Building. It's ranked number six in terms of the NSHE
- 17 priority request, and it's number one for us. This would
- 18 be seeking a little over \$6 million dollars in State
- 19 funding to support the construction of a new Lee Business
- 20 School Academic Building. The other half would be come
- 21 from philanthropy, from internal funds and financing.
- 22 The State funding is going to be critical for us to be

23 able to move this forward.

- Before I get into some of the specifics about
- 25 the particular building, there is a context behind this

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- 1 that I think is important and shouldn't be missed. On
- 2 December 6th of last year, we had a shooting that
- 3 occurred in our business building, and while we were
- 4 already thinking about changes that we wanted to make and
- 5 to build a new building, I think that accelerated the
- urgency of that.
- What our goal and plan is to build a new 7
- 8 building and then to repurpose the building where that
- eventually happened. That will provide in some ways some
- 10 relief just changing the face of the campus, changing a
- 11 little bit of the history of the campus in a way. And so
- 12 this is a critically important project for us.
- 13 This new building stems from significant
- 14 limitations in the current facility which lacks
- sufficient classroom, collaborative spaces and dedicated
- 16 areas for students services. It also hampers our ability
- 17 to create more industry partnerships and community
- engagement. The existing building also cannot
- 19 accommodate the growth and expansion to meet future
- needs. 20
- 21 And relative to expansion and future needs,
- 22 it is important -- this is an interesting point in the
- 23 cycle of the university because as we start the fall
- 24 semester, we do our official counts in September. And
- 25 currently, we have the largest incoming class that we've

- 1 maybe speak a little more about the current enrollment of
- 2 the college of business in general and perhaps
- 3 projections and how that ties into this facility?
- PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: Great question. And
- 5 I'm a numbers guy, so it's killing me that I don't have
- 6 the exact numbers, but we're seeing relative upticks in
- 7 every single one of our programs, so there is an uptick,
- 8 but I couldn't give you exact numbers.
- One of the places I do know that it's grown
- 10 actually is in terms of our graduate student enrollment.
- 11 And so that's a really important piece when you think
- 12 about the economic viability of those people that are
- 13 getting degrees and going out and being able to really be
- 14 productive. And so we are seeing an increase in terms of
- 15 the graduate student enrollment. I can give you that as
- 16 a positive.
- 17 MEMBER MANNELLY: Thank you.
- 18 PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: So let's keep moving on
- 19 here. Our next project is our number two priority, and
- 20 it's priority number 18 or 17. 17. I think it's 18 in
- 21 terms of the NSHE priorities. This would be for new UNLV
- 22 education building.
- UNLV is seeking a little over \$6 and a half 23
- 24 million dollars in State funding to support the
- 25 construction of a new education building. The building

- 1 ever had at the university, and we also may top as much
- 2 as 33,000 students, an increase of over five percent.
- 3 And so the university is growing in many different ways,
- 4 and this is a critical building to be able to try to deal
- 5 with those changes and the advancements that we're seeing
- in lots of different areas of the university.
- The building will house a 23,000 square-foot 7
- student success center and a 3,600 square-foot piece
- that's going to be dedicated to Ph.D. and doctor of
- business administration programs which is vital for
- attracting students to come to our unit and for our 11
- state. Areas of interaction for students and the 12
- business community is critical for them to be able to
- have the kinds of experiences that they need to have to
- serve our public, and this project is designed to be able
- to generate significant cost savings by consolidating the
- business school into a single facility whereas right now,
- it's distributed, which would allow for again, repurposes 18
- 19 of Lee Hall.
- For the project, the total cost of the 20
- 21 project is \$136 million dollars. That's what we're
- estimating, with total square footage being 131,000
- square feet. With that, I will stop and see if you have
- 24 any questions on this particular item.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly. Can you 25

- 1 that we're in currently is over 50 years old and is
- 2 really no longer sufficient to be able to meet the
- 3 growing needs and demands of students in the community.
- 4 Retrofitting it would be too costly and insufficient.
- 5 And a new facility is essential to advance pre-K through
- 6 12 education. We also do a lot of our mental health
- training for folks to be able to go out into the
- community and serve as well as other workforce
- development outcomes.
- 10 Our college of education has really been
- 11 outstanding in the last few years. It has done things
- 12 like creating one of the nation's -- I think it's still
- 13 the only apprenticeship program preparing more than a
- 14 thousand teachers for apprenticeship success. We're
- proud that we've also been able to earn recognition in
- 16 both state and federal levels for recognition for its
- groundbreaking efforts for tackling the challenges that
- we have in the State in the pre-K through 12 sector in 18
- 19 terms of teacher shortages.
- 20 Our impact is growing. In the past year,
- 21 we've seen a 15 percent increase in enrollment in
- 22 education with a remarkable 43 percent growth over the
- 23 last five years. But our impact does not stop at UNLV.
- 24 We're working directly with school districts and
- 25 community leaders statewide in supporting K through 12

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1 programming and implementing youth workforce development 2 initiatives.

- We need this new building to be able to 3
- 4 better serve and be able to better meet those workforce
- 5 needs. Our commitment to education and mental health is
- unwavering, providing critical telemental health as well
- as virtual education services to students and families
- 8 across Nevada is desperately needed and to continue and
- we need this new building to be able to best serve our
- community. The project cost estimate is \$135 million
- with a total square feet being about 132,000 square feet.
- 12 With that, let me stop and see if you have
- 13 any questions.
- 14 MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly again. Both
- 15 of these have 50 percent funding from the school. What's
- 16 the revenue source for that? And unless I missed it on
- 17 the other ones, I think maybe University of Nevada -- I'm
- 18 from Northern Nevada -- had 50 percent on the design but
- 19 not the construction. How are you guys able to fund 50
- percent versus not seeing that in the other institutions? 20
- 21 PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: Our plan is to be able
- 22 to use private philanthropy, perhaps some of our
- 23 investment income that comes through the university.
- 24 This is another one of those things that's a top
- 25 priority, and so we would seek every additional way in

- 1 you programming for the future taking that into account
- 2 as our society's growing and developing in that
- 3 direction?
- PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: I love talking about
- 5 building stuff, but I love talking about that even more.
- 6 I don't have my little sheet. We're going all in into
- 7 that space because that's what we see is really
- 8 happening. As kids are coming through the K-through-12
- system, one of the things that's fascinating is is that,
- 10 you know, before maybe 20 percent of the kids would call
- 11 them themselves gamers. Now it's as high as 70. And so
- 12 they are in that space. They're learning in that space,
- 13 they're thinking in that space, and so we're doing a
- 14 couple of different things.
- One of them is building out a virtual reality 15
- 16 immersive learning facility in our library, and that's
- just one of the pieces that's happening around campus in
- 18 the education sector. We're doing just as you're
- 19 mentioning. We're trying to figure out ways to have
- 20 hybrid models of both online. We haven't gotten to the
- 21 point of doing virtual with that yet, but we think for
- 22 this facility we're building, education is going to be
- 23 one of the prime ones that wants to get in there and not
- 24 only be able to teach the students to figure out ways to
- 25 be able to offer students educational opportunities but

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- 1 also for the teachers to be being up on something that is
 - 2 just it's not even coming down the road. It really is
 - 3 already here. And so the immersive learning also could
 - 4 be something.
 - I think we have someone who is developing
 - 6 content. One of the things that we're doing with that is
 - not relying on what's already there. We want to build
 - our own content and hopefully use it as something that
 - could generate revenues because other schools will use it
 - 10 because we do see this is something that's really just
 - 11 catching on fire.
 - 12 And so your point is very well taken. This
 - 13 is an important piece of higher ed that's changing, and
 - we need to be able to adjust to it. And some of it is
 - 15 having facilities like the education building like we are
 - 16 already trying to do in our library to be able to provide
 - 17 the kind of training that people need in a 21st Century
 - 18 environment.
 - MEMBER LEWIS: Thank you. 19
 - 20 PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: Let me move on to the
 - 21 next one now. This is number 19 in terms of NSHE
 - 22 ranking, and in a way, beloved, but in a way,
 - 23 frustrating, and that's our fine arts building. Our fine
 - 24 arts building that we currently have is the oldest or
 - 25 second-oldest building on campus. It was built in 1959.

1 which we could to be able to build this building. And particularly for the philanthropy, once the planning is

- 3 approved, that makes it much easier to be able to go out
- 4 to our community and be able to raise money because they
- 5 know that it's going to be real.
- 6 We've had a lot of good conversations with
- folks, but they're waiting for this piece to know that
- planning piece of it's going to go on knowing that we
- have approximately a two-year run up to be able to then
- 10 need the funding to be able to bridge our half to a
- 11 building project like we typically do with public works
- where we share 50/50. MEMBER MANNELLY: Thank you. 13
- 14 PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: And just an additional
- point. It's similar to what we do with the advanced 15
- 16 engineering building. And as you remember, I think all
- of us can tell a story about COVID. COVID interrupted 17
- that because we desperately needed to in the state be
- 19 able to provide some additional funding, so that was
- 20 pulled away. When we came back 2022, we did that 50/50 21 split, and that's how we came up with the ability to
- 22 build the advanced engineering building.
- 23 MEMBER LEWIS: Kevin Lewis, for the record.
- 24 I'm curious to see how much the virtual learning has an
- 25 impact on any of your educational programs and how are

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- 1 So UNLV is seeking \$5.2 million in State
- 2 funding to support the construction and planning for a
- 3 new fine arts building. UNLV would come up with the
- 4 other half of that through a blend of philanthropy and
- 5 internal funds and financing. But without State funding,
- 6 the project just simply can't proceed. We're limited in
- 7 our ability to be able to meet the growth and demands
- 8 that are needed in terms of supporting Nevada's economic
- and cultural development.
- 10 One of the pieces that this ties to -- and
- 11 I'm not getting over ahead of myself, but one of the
- issues that our state is considering and facing is the
- 13 idea of the film industry coming here. And in part, this
- is to be able to develop and to meet the needs and
- 15 challenges that are going to go on with that. Again, the
- building was built in 1959. Replacing Grant Hall would 16
- eliminate the need for \$2.6 million dollars in deferred 17
- maintenance and operational inefficiencies that are in a 18
- building that that's old. 19
- 20 The college of fine arts is seeing a 22
- 21 percent increase in enrollment over the past decade
- 22 highlighting the urgent need for additional space and
- 23 resources. The project will enhance UNLV's ability to
- 24 produce graduates equipped to meet the evolving needs of
- 25 Nevada's economy. Some of that may change in the future,

- 1 I heard you touched a bit on the entertainment sector as
- 2 they're starting to come into Nevada as we have Sony
- 3 coming on board, we have Warner Brothers. I wanted you
- 4 to elaborate possibly on some of the programs that might
- 5 address the workforce in that particular industry.
- 6 PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: Thank you for that
- 7 question. One of the interesting things is something
- that we started. I can't recall that program. It's not
- that old. It can't be ten years old, but it's called
- 10 entertainment engineering. One of the really interesting
- 11 interdisciplinary programs that we actually have at UNLV
- 12 that prepares people for if you're like me, I love the
- 13 Cirque Du Soleil. The people in the back actually doing
- 14 the kinds of work coordination, whatever, that need to be
- 15 done behind the scenes, they learn some of that in that
- 16 shared spaces between entertainment and engineering. And
- 17 so that's one of the leading programs that we have.
- 18 Some of the others in terms of film in
- 19 itself, I'll come back into this. I think it's maybe my
- 20 just understanding of that industry, it's content
- 21 creation. That's what's driving most of the stuff. It's
- yeah, there's the super stars and all of that other kind
- 23 of stuff, but as we even see influence of AI, the big
- 24 pushback from the film industry or from the folks that
- 25 work in the film industry is that it was the AI that was

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- 1 and this building would help our students to be well
- prepared to address that need.
- The building's design will promote
- 4 interaction and support for all students as seen from the
- previous ones, previous projects that I've talked about,
- and I think I've heard from my colleague as well the
- ability for students to actually be able to not just sit in a classroom but I call them collision spaces where
- 9 they can meet and talk with one another. That's an
- 10 additional piece of education that has to happen of
- 11 interactions from students and interactions with students
- 12 and their faculty. And so even in designing buildings,
- that needs to be written in because it's an incredibly
- important piece of how higher ed is serving our students
- and getting them prepared for the workforce. 15
- The design of the building will promote 16
- interaction for those students helping them also to close 17
- achievement gaps and to foster an inclusive learning environment. The fine arts programs require specialized
- classrooms and labs that align with the industry 20
- standards. So with that, the project estimated cost is somewhere between \$80 and \$100 million dollars with the
- total square feet being 74,000 square feet. And with
- that, I'll see if you all have any questions. 25 MEMBER LEWIS: Kevin Lewis, for the record.

- 1 going to create content and that was going to take away
- 2 jobs. So it's a very interesting point in time for us, I
- 3 think, as a state, of considering what it would mean to
- 4 be a hub for the film industry.
- One of the things that we hear all the time
- 6 from them is that Las Vegas and Southern Nevada is not
- like other places in terms of film tax and all of those
- sorts of things because we're so close. People can go
- back and forth. And so that's one of the arguments. And
- I will say that this is not my hill to die on. This is
- something that just to be able to support our community,
- to be able to support our state, we're trying to figure out ways in which we can try to help that effort, but
- it's theirs to be able to promote. But between our film,
- 15 music, theater, all of those things go into that. And so one of the things as we've talked 16
- about, some of the possibilities with some of these
- different entities is the idea of how are going to hire
- your students? How are you going to involve our
- 20 students? And there are some really interesting dynamic 21 things that are actually rolling up getting better.
- One of the things that happens in higher ed
- 23 -- and apologize if I'm getting excited out of this cool 24 stuff, but one of the things that we are doing and just
- 25 growing by leaps and bounds is internships. Businesses,

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- 1 no matter what sector they are, they want to see students
- 2 that have the ability to do the kind of work that they're
- 3 interested in doing. Just because you have a great GPA
- 4 and have a bunch of classes you take, they want to see
- 5 that you've actually done stuff. And so that
- intersection between having real-world examples and
- opportunities are critically important. It's part of the
- 8 reason why even these buildings are so important because
- they're not just designed to be classrooms. They're
- 10 designed for us to be able to engage the community. And
- 11 all of them in our preliminary discussion, for example
- 12 we're looking at parking because we want to make sure
- 13 that they sit in a place where people can actually get to
- on our campus and not walk in 110-degree heat. That is
- 15 one of the things we're working with. But did that
- 16 answer your question?
- MEMBER LEWIS: Kevin Lewis, for the record. 17
- 18 Yeah, that sure did. I just wanted you to possibly
- elaborate -- I don't know if any discussions may have
- taken place with some of those film companies, but there
- 21 might be opportunities for additional funding that could
- come from Sony or Warner Brothers and wanted to see if
- 23 you're outfitting those programs to provide the workforce
- for those particular areas. 24
- PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: You're thinking like 25

- CHAIR HAND: Thank you, gentlemen. Nice job.
- VICE-PRESIDENT MCCOY: Good morning. My name
- 3 is James McCoy. I serve as the vice-president and chief
- 4 economic officer for the College of Southern Nevada. I'm
- 5 joined by my colleague to my left, Mr. Rolando Mosqueda,
- 6 serving as our vice-president for finance and
- administration and our new acting president. Welcome to
- 8 Nevada from Texas. Him his name is Dr. Bill Kibler. He
- joins us in the rear.
- So today, we're really pleased to be able to 10
- 11 present for you for consideration two CIP projects, the
- 12 first being number eight on the NSHE prioritization
- 13 scale, and the second being number 16 that we'll get to
- 14 toward the end.
- We're going to spend the lion's share of our 15
- time today talking about number eight, and that's our
- northwest campus. For those of you who are familiar with
- Southern Nevada and if you're familiar with the northwest
- sector of Southern Nevada, you've seen a sign that looks
- like the one on your screen there for the better part of
- 21 two decades. The future home of the CSN northwest
- campus. And you know the history of that particular
- 23 parcel of land as it intersects in the intersection near
- 24 94 and the 215 Beltway, you know 20 years ago that was
- 25 BLM land. And you also know that that land was part of

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- 1 we're thinking, which is that once they make their
- 2 progress on because of the tax bill is important, I
- 3 think, for both of the two or three different entities
- 4 that are thinking about coming, once they have that
- established, that gives us the next leg up, the next
- deeper conversation about what their investment actually
- might be. For one of those entities that wants to come
- to UNLV and to really be working with us closely, they've
- talked about the internship piece of it actually even
- 10 having about 15,000 square feet of a very large building
- dedicated to our students being able to learn, grow,
- 12 practice their trade and think about it. It's another
- 13 piece of this kind of collision space. If that's what a
- student actually wants to kind of do to actually be there
- with industry professionals is the best environment that
- you can have. So that's what we're thinking is going to
- 17 continue to happen as we go on. This is September. I
- 18 think as they prime for their legislative actions, we'll
- continue to have more of these conversations, and I think
- that just that is going to be something that we can
- 21 deliver a little bit more when it becomes more real.
- MEMBER LEWIS: Thank you. 22
- CHAIR HAND: Looks like we have no more 23
- PRESIDENT WHITFIELD: Thank you. 25

- 1 the desert meaning there was nothing around it. And we
- 2 were blessed to be able to acquire that land through a
- 3 long experienced process.
- I know I've lived in this great state for 22
- years, and I've been a part of the CSN family for all of
- those 22 years. And when I moved to Southern Nevada, I
- 7 saw that sign. And I purchased a home not too far from
- that sign thinking one day I'll teach there. That was 22
- years ago. So we're really pleased as you can imagine to
- 10 be able to bring this project again to your body and to
- 11 the state. We're really pleased that the Nevada System
- 12 of Higher Education has prioritized this project as one
- 13 of their priorities as well.
- So I want to share with you a little bit
- 15 about what this vision for this project looks like. One
- 16 of the themes that you've been talking about and
- discussing today with colleague from around the higher
- 18 education space is around the areas of aligning our
- educational pathways to those areas that are important to
- 20 our State for workforce develop, economic
- 21 diversification, etcetera. In other words, we're
- 22 creating opportunities for our citizens to enter into
- 23 educational pathways where there is a real career waiting 24 for them in Nevada.
- 25 Sir, you just talked about the film industry,

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- 1 and that intersection as an economic diversification
- 2 driver. That's exciting for us too at CSN. When we
- 3 began to think about what the first building might look
- 4 like on what will eventually over probably the next
- 5 decade or more become a comprehensive CSN campus in the
- 6 northwest sector of the valley, we first started to look
- at the labor statistics. What are some of the critical
- 8 needs in our labor force in Nevada? You've heard today
- the critical needs around nursing, and we're grateful for
- 10 the legislative action through SB 375 last session that
- 11 appropriated \$20 million dollars to help support higher
- 12 education in the nursing sector. You've talked about the
- 13 film industry. We've talked about advanced manufacturing
- today, all critical things that are important to College
- of Southern Nevada as well. 15
- One of the areas that is in desperate need of 16
- 17 more growth from a workforce standpoint is the area of
- public safety. I'm going to pause on that and dwell on
- 19 that for a moment. As citizens, as we wait in response
- 20 time, whether that be a law enforcement call, a fire
- 21 call, a paramedic or an EMS call, oftentimes, and we're
- 22 seeing in the local newspaper, right, those response
- 23 times are sometimes hours. And then in a critical
- 24 emergency, sometimes that ambulance takes better part of
- 25 30 minutes. We don't have enough skilled workforce in

- 1 public service.
- Employers, they told us exactly what needed
- 3 to be in this building to ensure that our contemporary
- 4 approach to the curriculum and design of the
- 5 infrastructure was going to be there. We're grateful
- 6 that the State legislature appropriated \$4.5 million
- 7 dollars in planning to us last session. And I want to
- 8 let you know we've been good stewards of that money and
- we've developed our plan.
- 10 Turned out that \$4.5 million dollars wasn't
- 11 enough to cross the finish line to get to 100 percent
- 12 construction document ready so that when we approach the
- 13 legislative session hopefully with your support this next
- 14 session, we could say we have 100 percent construction
- 15 documents ready in hand and we'll be ready to break
- ground in June of 2025. 16
- When we realized that gap, the College of 17
- 18 Southern Nevada anted in ourselves and we matched that
- 19 \$4.4 million dollars of CSN money. So we're about 50
- 20 percent in of CSN moneys to match the State appropriation
- 21 of \$4.5. And that's what you see on the screen, bottom
- 22 right-hand corner. So we can provide assurances thanks
- to the great staff of the State Public Works that we will
- be construction ready one hundred percent come June 2025.
- 25 Not only will this center serve the public

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1 this area.

- 3 as we establish the first building in the northwest

- square-foot facility will be inclusive of our law

- about it because it's a pride point for us. We're
- 11

- District. We're the provider of police officers to

- fire marshall, the City of Las Vegas, so you can see

- 21 doing is providing police officers, badged police
- agencies. And they're tremendous partners to us, so much

- And so this is the primary attraction for us
- 4 campus on that desert plot of land is to build a center
- 5 of excellence in public safety. It's a 60,000
- square-foot facility. The first phase of this 60,000
- enforcement training academy. And if you don't know
- about CSN's regional police academy because I'll tell you
- servicing the agencies that are hiring law enforcement
- officers in Southern Nevada. We partner with the State
- Highway Patrol, we partner with Clark County School
- University Police Services right here at NSHE. We
- provide the marshalls in Southern Nevada. We provide the
- badged officers that require POST certification for the
- we're not producing Metro's officers. They have their
- own robust academy and that's important. But what we are 20
- officers, POST certified police officers to a variety of
- so that as we were conceptualizing the planning of this
- 25 first building, we built an advisory committee made up of

- 1 safety sector, but I also want to dwell on one other
- thing. One of the major access points for any community
- college and CSN is no different, is that of access.
- 4 We're a community college. Our mission point is to serve
- 5 every human being in Nevada and particularly from our mission standpoint in Southern Nevada that desires a
- higher education. It doesn't matter if their family went
- to higher education before them. It doesn't matter what
- 9 ZIP code they were born into. It doesn't matter what 10 their high school GPA was or even if they graduated high
- 11 school. We welcome them.
- And so when you think of the 30,000 students 12
- that CSN serves today as a Hispanic serving, as a
- minority-serving institution and you think of the
- population growth that is in the Southern Nevada region, there is a gap in access to higher education in the
- northwest corridor of our valley.
- We've got 9,700 students today who are living
- 19 in ZIP codes in the northwest sector of our valley that 20 are having to commute sometimes by bus, and sometimes
- 21 those bus routes take upwards or two or three hours to
- get to their campus. 23 Imagine a scenario they don't have to drive
- 24 by the sign. They can actually drive to the sign and get 25 their education. So to that end, not only will we serve

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1 the public safety sector of this valley but a good

- 2 portion of that building, about a third of it, is
- 3 dedicated as a first entree into general education to
- 4 support the citizens in the northwest sector of the
- 5 valley. So citizens can come, new students can come,
- existing students can come and get their English, get
- their math, get their high school diploma, get their
- psychology, all of the while on that half of the
- building, we're training the next generation of public
- safety officers. 10
- 11 One of the tenants of this project that's
- 12 also really person from an accreditation lens is any time
- you're going to offer a complete program, you have to
- 14 have a library. So we built a modest library space to
- 15 ensure that the students can be successful while they're
- 16 in this building.
- We're also by accreditation requirement need 17
- 18 to have a mental student support services, recognizing
- 19 this is the first building and as the campus grows over
- the next decade or more, more buildings will be erected
- 21 and greater planning can occur for those larger
- footprints for additional classrooms and student support
- 23 services. But I want to be upfront that this 60,000
- 24 square feet is not only inclusive of the Center of
- 25 Excellence for Public Safety but for some general ed and

- The last segment of this particular project
- 2 that I want to dwell on a little bit is the cost.
- 3 Recognizing that obviously, we've been good stewards of
- 4 that \$4 and a half million dollars and will be
- 5 construction ready by June of 2025. But when you see
- 6 that \$155 million-dollar price tag, that's a big swallow.
- So we itemized out, thanks to the State Public Works and
- the architecture firm and the construction CMAR, we
- itemized out what this looks like so you can understand
- why that cost is so incredibly high. The building itself
- 11 is \$62.4 million. It's only one building. But because this is going into undeveloped land that is now
- surrounded by commercialized and residential areas
- including an RTC park-and-ride, there's a lot of land
- improvement that needs to be done as you would have to do
- 16 on any brand new campus facility. And so I wanted you to
- know that the portion of that \$155 million after you get
- 18 past the \$62 for the building itself is for a central
- plant. The onsite improvements are coming in at \$12.6.
- The off-site improvements to connect in to utilities and
- 21 things is \$6.5. The EVOC course itself, if we're
- fortunate enough to get that support, is \$15.6 million.
- To ensure the sound barriers that go around 23
- 24 that EVOC track as you can see the schematic there, that
- 25 EVOC track in the top center part of the screen, that

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- 1 for some student support services as well.
- One of the things our advisory committee told 2
- 3 us very loud and clear, whether that be a City of North
- 4 Las Vegas, the City of Las Vegas, the City of Henderson,
- 5 AMR, whether that be the Clark County School District,
- the University Police. They all said the same thing.
- City of Henderson too. They said this. FBI said it too. They said this. If you build an EVOC course and you
- build one in Southern Nevada, we will come. That is the
- 10 greatest need in this state is an EVOC course. And I
- 11 think this board heard about that in Northern Nevada just
- 12 yesterday.
- 13 Imagine a scenario in this state where we
- 14 could provide emergency vehicle training not only in
- 15 Northern Nevada, but also in Southern Nevada. The
- 16 commitment from these agencies and the city and county
- 17 municipalities has been that if you build an EVOC course
- 18 just like the Field of Dreams says, we will come. So not only will you be able to provide new training to new
- 20 officers to support our needs, but we'll also be able to
- bring our incumbent workers, our existing workforce to
- 22 EVOC course at the College of Southern Nevada north
- 23 campus and deliver continuous training and development
- 24 for our existing officers and our existing paramedic, EMS
- 25 and fire as well.

- 1 white square toward the bottom of the screen, the future
- 2 building next to it for an additional biennium later, all
- 3 of that is inclusive of the \$155 million. The building 4 itself is \$62.4.
- 5 One of the things that we're also looking at
- -- and you may have noted this in your paperwork, is
- 7 right now, although we've committed just shy of \$4.5
- 8 million in planning to get this thing ready, we're also
- grateful to our CSN foundation and the philanthropic arm
- 10 of our institution who have committed to doing a
- 11 philanthropic campaign. Just next month in September in
- 12 a few days, they'll decide on what their target goals are
- 13 that they can reasonably manage philanthropically.
- We're also looking at this as an opportunity 14
- 15 to rent the space to agencies outside of our own CSN
- 16 operations, so imagine State Highway Patrol coming in and
- 17 being able to leverage the EVOC course for a fee and
- 18 perhaps in a higher quality facility because indeed, it's
- 19 going to be a Center of Excellence. When we say Center
- 20 of Excellence, we mean top of the class.
- We had the opportunity and part of our 21 22 planning to travel out to Texas to see various
- 23 institutions of higher learning, Austin Community College
- 24 being one of them, Collins College being another, where
- 25 we saw centers of excellence where they partnered with

- 1 public safety municipalities to do this right. So we've
- 2 modeled much of this planning based on those institutions 3 as well.
- So with that, before we move on to item
- 5 number 16 in our second and only other priority at CSN,
- we'll pause for any questions, Mr. Chairman.
- 7 CHAIR HAND: Roy Walker. Are you aware of
- the other EVOC budget that is proposed to us?
- VICE-PRESIDENT MCCOY: The one that you heard 10 yesterday, sir?
- MEMBER WALKER: Well, the amount of their 11
- construction cost is substantially less than yours. 12
- VICE-PRESIDENT MCCOY: For the EVOC course 13 14 itself?
- MEMBER WALKER: Yes. 15
- VICE-PRESIDENT MCCOY: Okay. I am not aware 16
- 17 of that, but we can certainly look at what they're doing.
- 18 MEMBER WALKER: I would suggest that the
- north and the south get together and start looking at
- this because two, they've also, in their financial impact
- 21 or in their financial statement, are using the same
- 22 agencies that you quoted that you would bring to. So
- you're going to have competition for the two. 23
- VICE-PRESIDENT MCCOY: Thank you, sir. Any 24
- 25 other questions?

- 1 filled with weeds and cracks and potholes, and that's
- 2 also where we do our currently EVOC training course is at
- 3 the Sam Boyd Stadium parking lot. And the third is at a
- 4 fee out in Boulder City, and that's not owned by any
- 5 particular agency. It's rented particularly by Henderson 6 PD.
- 7 MEMBER MANNELLY: Thank you. As I said, I
- 8 may have misremembered that, so appreciate that. And I
- have a separate question. Your know, relative to the
- 10 \$4.5 million in planning with I think this is a CMAR
- 11 project construction manager at risk, have you seen some
- 12 value engineering or, you know, alternatives to perhaps,
- you know, meet the end goal for the campus at a, you
- 14 know, lesser overall budget? In other words, has the,
- 15 you know, that process been fruitful?
- VICE-PRESIDENT MCCOY: I appreciate that 16
- 17 question. The answer is yes. In fact, we recognize that
- 18 the initial cost of this has got a sticker shock and
- 19 anticipating what the total capital budget might be for 20 improvements statewide, we recognize this is significant.
- 21 And so as the conversations are had, and
- 22 we're looking at things like what does the size of a
- 23 central plant really need to be as a first phase from
- 24 just one building as opposed to a central plant for
- 25 perhaps an entire campus, or perhaps if we didn't fund

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- 1 from a State perspective the EVOC course but rather
- 2 leveraged sort of a pay-to-play approach and we utilized
- 3 support from the agencies who are telling us they're
- 4 going to rent this EVOC from us, outside of our own
- 5 police academy, those are the kinds of things we could
- 6 begin to value down to get to a price that might be a bit
- 7 more supported.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Thank you.
- VICE-PRESIDENT MCCOY: If I may conclude,
- 10 Mr. Chairman, with just one more comment on this
- 11 particular project, and that is, as it relates to the
- date of conveyance from the BLM and its associated land
- 13 development agreement with the City of Las Vegas, for the
- 14 record, in 2018, the initial date of conveyance occurred
- with the BLM. 15
- Just shy of 2020, it was noted that there was 16
- 17 a significant error in that initial date of conveyance.
- 18 The initial date of conveyance in 2018 was cancelled and
- 19 re-issued on the record in September of 2020.
- The reason this is important is the land 20
- 21 development agreement by which our colleague at GBC was
- 22 referencing this as well the date by which in our
- 23 language the deadline to commence construction has
- 24 changed by two years. So initially, on the initial part
- 25 of the date of conveyance, we would have had to be

MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly. Follow up 1 2 on that. Just for the record, I think theirs was \$8

- million. I'm looking at it here. But if I recall
- 4 correctly, in their presentation as well, they said that
- 5 the Southern Nevada Peace Officers already have EVOC
- 6 facilities at like Metro has their own and things like
- that. And they were saying up in Northern Nevada, there
- you know, Highway Patrol, Washoe County, etcetera don't
- have their own, so by putting one up here, that would be
- 10 a resource for the State to lease it out to them. But as
- 11 I recall, they said in Southern Nevada, those are already
- 12 existing. I may have misunderstood.
- VICE-PRESIDENT MCCOY: I'd be happy to 13
- 14 respond to that. Obviously, we're knee deep in this
- planning, so I can't speak to what the presentation may
- 16 have said yesterday. I believe it was somebody from
- POST, right? But what I can tell you with great
- certainty in Southern Nevada, there is not an EVOC course
- that's directed toward Metro or anyone else. 19
- As a matter of fact, what the agencies are 20
- 21 currently doing today is renting out space at one of
- 22 three locations. One: The Las Vegas Speedway at a
- significant cost. Two: Sam Boyd Stadium's parking lot 24 at a reasonable price point. But if you've been to Sam
- 25 Boyd Stadium's parking lot lately, you know that it's

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1 commencing construction by June 28th of the 2026, hence 2 our urgency to get this planning ready.

Now, thanks to our president's conversations

4 with the City of Las Vegas and making sure we're squaring

5 up the revision to the conveyance of 2020, and then eight

years following that point by which the date of commenced

7 construction has to begin, we're looking now at September

8 of 2028, so that's a real big buffer for us to be able to

do some of that value perspective to get this thing

going. Continue, sir? Okay. We've got just one more

project to share with you, and I'll turn it over to my 12 colleague.

13 VICE-PRESIDENT MOSQUEDA: Thank you. For the

14 record, Rolando Mosqueda, Vice-President of Finance and

Administration, College of Southern Nevada.

This is NSHE priority ranking number 16, and 16

this is the retrofit, seismic retrofit of the our North 17

18 Las Vegas campus, which houses both our library and the

east wing of the building. The retrofit of the building

wing needs to be brought up to code. The original

construction occurred in 1983. 21

Subsequent to that time, CSN has learned that 22

23 there needs to be a retrofit, a remodel again, in order

24 to comply with current code. This is a continuation of

25 efforts at CSN across the ecosystem to address any

1 with me today, I have Vice-President of government

2 relations and finance -- actually, finance and government

3 relations, General Mike Peyerl. And I'll go ahead and

4 tee us up, and then he'll fill in some specifics and gaps

5 and hopefully, the two of us can take your questions.

So this building is such an exciting project.

7 And you may or may not recall, for those of you who were

8 on this board a couple years ago, that we showed you a

9 really exciting video. We're not going to do that again

10 today. And I'll explain a little bit why that is, but it

11 does continue to be a great project for the college, and

12 largely because of our growth. But more specifically,

13 our growth in engineering, in STEM fields, including data

14 analytics and data sciences, and the continuing

15 prosperity that Northern Nevada enjoys within our

16 entertainment and theatre industry. And part of this

project would include a theatre tech program if it ever

18 moves forward.

So this is a project that's about 52,000 19

20 square feet. It has student collaborative spaces for

21 robotics, coding, engineering, and that's the action link

22 which is kind of a multi-use large space for those

23 fields, a 90-seat restaurant with a teaching kitchen to

expand our successful culinary arts program that we've

25 currently enjoyed for many years, teaching spaces for our

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1 compliance issues that we have. This area, as you know,

2 CSN has a substantial footprint in the southern part of

3 the state. This particular project is in the North Las

Vegas campus.

Specific to the North Las Vegas campus, this

area where the project would occur is central to the

7 student learning experience. It houses the library on

the second floor, student services on the first floor

adjacent to the June Whitley Lounge. There's a small

food service area and a bookstore across the hall. So

11 again, very focused on the student learning experience,

12 not disrupting that experience and accommodating our

13 coordination with our academic side and some of the other

14 stakeholders of the college.

15 Next slide. And this is just a design phase

for that project. Obviously, it would be done in phases,

again, and not to disrupt the learning experience for our

students and for continuity of learning. And there's not

much else to share. And I'm glad to take questions. 19

Thank you. 20

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CHAIR HAND: It looks like we don't have any 21

questions. Again, nice job. Thank you, gentlemen. 22

PRESIDENT MCCOY: Thank you.

DR. HILGERSOM: Good morning again. I'm 24

25 Karin Hilgersom, for the record, president of TMCC. And

1 hospitality and tourism students, and we did partner with

2 UNLV, so there's a great pathway for Northern Nevadans to

3 complete their degree and then head out to UNLV for

4 additional studies, and also the EastView Building would

5 include a theatre. And we've had a nice theatre program

6 with no theatre for many years, and we really need to

7 have a permanent home for a small theatre at the TMCC

campus. 8

So I will say that the justification for this 9

project is that really, in Northern Nevada, we really are

11 at the cusp of a new era and TMCC is just vital to that.

12 We're vital to that. Like I said, we're growing, and so

13 much of that growth is in the workforce and STEM field as

14 it relates to advanced manufacturing, as it relates to

15 electric vehicle production, as it relates to battery,

battery production, lithium, all of those things.

And when you think about these fields, what

18 you need are a lot of technicians, and we train a lot of

19 those at our Edison facility and our new Panasonic shared

20 training center on Plumb Lane, but it also requires

21 engineers. So for every engineer, you've got eight

22 technicians, but happy to report that we have students

23 who are interested in both.

And one of my proudest moments as the

25 president of TMCC was in 2019 when I learned that our

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- 1 underrepresented student groups including our Hispanic
- 2 students, that they were choosing STEM fields at a higher 3 rate than their traditional white student counterparts,
- 4 right. This is pretty exciting because what it shows you
- 5 is that fields like engineering are really becoming
- 6 diverse, integrated where all students can enjoy these
- 7 excellent careers. And that's what's been really, really great. 8
- So I'm really excited also to be here today
- again with my two partners: DRI and Nevada State
- 11 University. And I do think I need to be really, really
- 12 honest about something, and that is that should the
- shared facility that I discussed with you earlier on the 13
- 14 agenda today, the science experience center with DRI and
- 15 Nevada State University, should that get funded, some
- 16 elements of this project can be housed there because
- we're growing again in engineering. That includes
- 18 physics courses, chemistry courses, data science people.
- And we think that a shared facility would be equally
- 20 effective at housing that growing number of students for
- 21 a prosperous Northern Nevada workforce. So I did want to
- put a shout out for that again because I think if that
- 23 building is funded and becomes reality -- and I love the
- 24 partnership that that building signifies and how it would
- 25 meet the space needs at TMCC, then this facility would

- 1 dollars in interest, and it recapitalizes about \$350,000
- 2 back into the college that we're going to look at putting
- 3 into future capital projects. So as far as a bond goes,
- 4 which as you look at this \$20 million dollars, we would
- 5 be asking -- TMCC is postured to be able to go to NSHE
- 6 and get approval for a bond in order to do this.
- In addition to that, TMCC has, through the
- president's great financial strategy, we originally were
- looking at putting \$5 million dollars of institutional
- 10 support dollars towards this and at this point, we could put \$10 million dollars towards this project. So we
- 12 really looked at the strategy and how we would fund that.
- 13 In addition to that, once this project was
- 14 funded, the donors would start to look at TMCC as a value
- 15 and be able to pull those donor dollars in. So overall,
- 16 we have no issues if approved to get the total \$64
- 17 million dollars for the project. And if you have any
- 18 questions. Thank you.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly. The 19
- 20 engineering program, for example, is that a two-year
- 21 program or a four-year program?
- PRESIDENT HILGERSOM: That's an excellent
- 23 question. Most of our engineering students successfully
- 24 transfer to the University of Nevada-Reno, which is just
- 25 an incredible pathway. And very appreciative for the

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- 1 probably not come before you in a couple of years, right?
- We would figure out how to do the other elements.
- So my top priority continues to be ranking
- 4 number two, the shared facility, and I'm so excited about
- 5 that. And I can't emphasize enough that we really are
- running out of space for these science and engineering
- fields that we -- TMCC I'm also proud of the fact that we
- are very efficient with our use of space. Even with the robust online presence, we still continue to need the
- 10 hands-on project-based learning and undergraduate
- 11 research spaces. And so hopefully, project two will get funded and we can move forward and really model for the
- State the synergies when three institutions partner 14
- together. Thank you.
- VICE-PRESIDENT PEYERL: Good morning. Mike 15
- 16 Peyerl, for the record: P-E-Y-E-R-L, the vice-president
- of finance, government relations and IT. And thank you
- for having us here today and looking at this project. 18
- So I'll just get right down to the numbers. 19
- So we're asking for \$29 million dollars total project 20
- value of \$64 million. You say how are you going to come
- 22 up with the rest of that money? And so one of the things
- 23 that we did this year is we're starting to look forward
- 24 to the future. And so we were able to pay off a bond
- 25 early, ten years early, which saves us over a million

- 1 engineering program available to those students at that
- I will say, and I am glad you mentioned this
- 4 because it triggered something. We are the only college
- right now, the only predominately two-year college that
- 6 is offering and in the process of our first accreditation
- a bachelor's degree in architecture. So we do have a
- 8 handful of bachelors degrees at TMCC, and those degrees
- are designed not to duplicate the University of Nevada-
- Reno, and since an architecture program did not exist in
- 11 Northern Nevada, we were very fortunate when the Board of
- Regents, with support from all of my colleagues, said yes
- to a bachelors of architecture degree at TMCC. 13
- 14 The architecture accreditation does take a
- 15 while, so but the architectural accreditors are very
- excited. They think this is a great experiment for an
- affordable degree. And the reason that's relevant is
- should this building become a reality, action link is
- going to become a space for those architecture students
- to use because the accreditors have also said to us you
- 21 need a better space for this program, and so start
- working on that. So thank you.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Yeah. You must have read 23
- 24 my mind because I was, you know, you're talking about
- 25 synergy and just making sure there was synergy between

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- 1 TMCC and President Sandoval's engineering program as
- 2 well. Question on the donors. Is that mostly coming
- from businesses and industry?
- VICE-PRESIDENT PEYERL: Mostly from private 4
- donors from foundations that we work with. Now they
- haven't committed the total amount that we're asking for.
- Once we have this approved, we could go after those
- donors and look for it. Additionally, that \$10 million
- dollars in institutional funds that we have set aside is
- the offset if we did fall short on donors. 10
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Okay. Thank you. Because 11
- 12 perhaps again, I may be misremembering, but many of the
- 13 companies that are up at trick and things like that seem
- 14 to recall that they that at least suggested reinvestment
- 15 into local education and skilled workforce and things of
- the sort with TMCC, so just wondering if that's
- potentially an avenue as well. 17
- PRESIDENT HILGERSOM: So I honestly, the 18
- Tesla training is occurring at our Edison location, and 19
- we even have a Tesla-branded classroom now funded by
- 21 Tesla. Panasonic and TMCC recently worked together, and
- 22 Panasonic has opened a new training facility right on
- 23 Plumb Lane by the airport. It's an excellent location,
- 24 and the TMCC sign is at the front of that because it is
- 25 also a TMCC training partnership with Panasonic.

- 1 particularly the rise of construction costs has grown
- 2 astronomically.
- We recognize that you have heard a lot of
- 4 presentations yesterday. You have more to hear today,
- 5 and we know that there's a lot of needs in the State of
- 6 Nevada, so we appreciate your favorable consideration for
- 7 the important work that our institutions do and these
- 8 dire needs that we have.
- And so with that, we also want to see if
- 10 there's any follow-up questions. We know you asked some
- 11 questions regarding philanthropic support and matching
- 12 funds and the difference between our community colleges
- 13 and our universities. There is a difference in the
- 14 ability for colleges to garner that philanthropic support
- 15 as well as not having necessarily the same access to
- 16 student fee revenue that may provide some matching
- opportunities. And so we really are grateful that our
- 18 universities have such strong partnerships and
- particularly on the design, and I do want to be mindful
- 20 that it's design side that they have historically come
- 21 forward with 50 percent of those matching funds and so
- 22 we're grateful for that.
- And so, Mr. Viton? 23
- MR. VITON: Thanks. Chris Viton again. And 24
- 25 I don't know how much more to add to that other than

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- 1 reiterating those comments. It is a difference in
- 2 capacity between the institutions in terms of their
- 3 ability to generate that philanthropic return and the
- 4 resources that they have available to leverage for
- 5 financing that that is -- does tend to be where those
- matches come from. And again, I think what you've seen
- in the request in this cycle is consistent with the
- approach that we've taken within those different
- institutions in prior cycles as well.
- 10 MEMBER MANNELLY: Phil Mannelly again. I
- 11 have one kind of overall overarching question, and that
- 12 is: Do these projects and the budgets that are presented
- 13 contemplate the use of project labor agreements? And it
- could be institution-to-institution, but perhaps you're
- best from an overall perspective to know.
- 16 CHANCELLOR CHARLTON: So these projects are
- 17 primarily design projects. The one project that is
- 18 construction is for the CSN campus. And so we would
- 19 obviously work with Public Works. They do all of the
- 20 project management on that side, so I would have to defer
- 21 to the State Public Works Board.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: And just I understand that 22
- 23 the approval at this point for a lot of these is design,
- 24 but they also have, you know, contemplated construction
- 25 budgets as well.

So I would say that and those are our largest 1

- 2 really workforce training and industry entities, and
- 3 we're working with doing hundreds and hundreds of
- 4 students every year with the goal of getting them jobs at
- Panasonic and Tesla. So we're sort of good to go on
- that. So those entry-level manufacturing jobs, we're good. 7
- I think where we're struggling are the 8
- students that want to become engineers. That's where
- we're struggling. And so this facility would alleviate
- that as would the shared facility if should that become a
- reality first with DRI and Nevada State University. 12
- 13 CHAIR HAND: Looks like we have no other questions. 14
- PRESIDENT HILGERSOM: Thank you. 15
- CHAIR HAND: Thank you. Nice job. 16
- CHANCELLOR CHARLTON: Good morning. And 17
- 18 again, for the record, Patty Charlton, Chancellor, Nevada
- System of Higher Education. Just wanted to provide just
- a few closing remarks. Thank you again for the time
- today. As you can hear from our institutions, many of
- these projects have come before this body and before the governor and the legislature multiple times over multiple
- bienniums. But one thing I can tell you that is constant
- 25 in this is that over time, the rise of design costs and

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- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, with 1
- 2 State Public Works, for the record. So yeah. Member
- 3 Mannelly, State Public Works projects typically do not
- 4 have an appeal associated POA associated with them.
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Okay. So then the cost of
- 6 construction that we're seeing right now doesn't
- contemplate that.
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Correct. 8
- MEMBER MANNELLY: Thank you. 9
- 10 CHAIR HAND: It looks like we don't have any
- 11 other questions. Thank you all, all of you, for your
- presentations today. And I know it takes a lot of work
- and I very much appreciate it. I'm sure the rest of the
- 14 board does as well. And I didn't wear my Wolf Pack tie
- 15 today. I wore a tie with some other colors in it. So
- 16 please forgive me, President Sandoval. Again, thank you
- 17 all, and great job.
- 18 CHAIR HAND: Good morning, Department of
- Wildlife. I know we have a lot of excitement in the 19
- 20 room. We also recognize the importance of your time and
- 21 appreciate you being here today, and we look forward to
- your presentation. And we'll go ahead and give you the
- opportunity to get started.
- 24 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: I'm Rodd Lighthouse, for the
- 25 record. I'm the supervising professional engineer for

- We have 15 dams. Four of them are high 1
- 2 hazard dams, three of which you'll see in the
- 3 presentation today. We have two significant hazard dams,
- 4 at least three campgrounds, at least four water tanks,
- 5 multiple roadways and bridges, eight paved parking lots
- 6 and at least ten security fences with gates. So \$1.25
- 7 million dollars doesn't go too far. So we are looking
- 8 for some help today, and we appreciate the help that
- you've given us in the past.
- So the next slide shows some of the statewide 10
- 11 projects that we've applied for or yeah, applied for
- 12 through the CIP process. We know we aren't required to
- 13 present on these, but we wanted to present on them
- 14 because they're really important to us, and actually the
- 15 fire suppression system here at Lake Mead Hatchery would
- 16 be our number one project if it was included in the
- 17 non-statewide portion of the non-statewide program. So
- 18 the other -- all three of the remaining three are really
- 19 important to us as well, but of critical importance are
- 20 the eastern regional headquarter roof and the Fallon
- 21 field office roof. Those are facilities that have
- 22 recently been -- I know our Elko office has new carpeting
- 23 in it. The staff there just painted it. And the roof
- 24 leaks, and we want to make sure that we preserve the work
- 25 that we put into it.

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- Our Fallon office is a new building to us.
 - We've recently spent -- in addition to purchasing the
- 3 building, we've recently spent close to a million dollars
- upgrading that facility too, so we want to protect our
- investment there as well. And then that Lake Mead
- 6 Hatchery, we've spent a lot of money recently on a
- visitors center there. And the roadway leading into the
- place is it's pretty poor condition.
- Anyway, so the next few slides are the
- 10 statewide projects just to give you a little flavor of
- what's going on at some of these sites, but on each one
- of these introductory pages, we have the impact to the
- 13 mission.
- In the past, we stated what the consequences 14
- 15 for not doing this work was on the last page of the
- presentation, but we've decided to put it here on the
- front page. And so Lake Mead is the only hatchery
- 18 responsible for producing and protecting native
- endangered species of fish, and they require resilient
- and reliable facilities and utilities. For 15 years, the
- hatchery had had unreliable and inadequate fire
- 22 suppression, posing unnecessary life, health and safety
- risk to personnel and places the hatchery operations at 23 24 severe risk.
- The next slide shows the pump house. This 25

1 the Department of Wildlife. To my right is Caleb McAdou, 2 Deputy Director, and to my left is Jordan Goshert, Deputy

- 3 Director. Thanks for letting us present today to share
- 4 our needs with you.
- The first slide here is just a little 5
- 6 overview of NDOW. We have 334 full-time employees, 120
- buildings including 28 residences, 34 radio sites, 14
- wildlife management areas which comprise about 169,000
- acres, eight major facilities, seven unique divisions
- 10 which are listed there above in the -- what do you call
- 11 those? The diagram there. I'm drawing a blank here, but 12 anyway, up above there in the blue boxes, four fish
- 13 hatcheries and three regions.
- It's kind of a bland slide, and I've been 14
- 15 thinking of ways to improve it and to hopefully show why
- we need your help, but to maintain 120 buildings, we have 16
- a budget of about \$1.125 million dollars. That equates 17
- to \$9,375 of maintenance budget per building. 18
- What isn't on that slide is some of the other 19 20 facilities that we need to take care of, and those
- 21 include diversion structures water wells. We have 20
- water wells, seven of them domestic, we have four boat
- docks, we have water conveyance systems with underground
- 24 piping that can convey water from water purveyors to our
- 25 property.

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- 1 pump house is original to the -- well, I'm going to
- 2 backtrack here a little bit. It's original to when we, I
- 3 think, started occupying the place in '72, and it takes
- water from the lake -- well, it was converted to use lake
- water in 2019. Prior to that, it was run by water from
- the lake, and it was full of the Quagga mussel and it
- wasn't really operable. In fact, we couldn't really use
- our visitors center out there because we were uncertain
- 9 if we had a reliable fire suppression system. So in
- 10 2019, we converted the domestic water. But during that
- 11 process, we didn't upgrade the pump house. And since
- 12 then, we've had several issues with the pump house.
 - You can see in these pictures corroded pipes,
- 14 water on the floor from leaking pumps and pump motors.
- 15 It's really kind of a mess in there. So right now, we
- got a quote to replace or to repair the fire pump and the
- motor is obsolete. So I think the quote I got was well
- 18 over a hundred thousand dollar like \$150,000, but anyway,
- 19 to keep this place viable and safe, we need to upgrade
- 20 it. And while we're doing that, we'd like to inspect the
- 21 whole system, just do a complete job, replace all of the
- 22 valving and rusting components, upgrade the fire pump and
- 23 jockey pump and evaluate and repair, upgrade the fire
- alarm system and controls. 24

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25 The Elko roofing project. I already said we

- 1 pretty significant health issues, right. So we have
- 2 immediate needs with probably lower risk, and then we
- 3 have things like Kingston Dam which could be catastrophic
- 4 and extremely high risk but perhaps less immediate. And
- 5 so we spent a really look time trying to figure out what
- 6 we prioritize when we considered kind of this
- soup-to-nuts scenario of kind of these immediate needs,
- 8 employee safety, but also what could be a really high
- hazard, high risk to public safety with these dams. So
- 10 I'd just wanted to point that out.
- 11 We did our best to prioritize them and then
- also meeting immediate needs such as office space for
- growing needs in some of our rural communities as we lost
- 14 housing in Eureka and have more of an emphasis in White
- Pine County and Ely. So I just wanted to point that out
- 16 to the board that this has been a challenge for us to put the priority on this.
- 18 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Thank you. So number one.
- This we presented on this project several times. It was
- 20 two separate projects previously, but recent events have
- 21 made us think that maybe we should put them together, so
- it includes the entryway onto the Mason Valley Wildlife
- 23 Management Area for Miller Lane, which this is in
- Yerington. And at the entrance there, there's an
- irrigation ditch. It's called Joggles Ditch, and you can

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- 1 spent a lot of money up there recently on carpeting and
- 2 paint, and we're just trying to keep that place
- 3 watertight so we can conduct our normal operations up
- 4 there. A couple of pictures showing the roof leaks. The
- 5 roof is 22 years old at this point, and we've Band-Aided
- it about as long as we can. 6
- So the next one is the Fallon office. Same 7
- thing. A lot of money in there that we've just invested
- in the place and we're trying to keep this place going
- 10 for the next 30 years. Hopefully, we're doing minor
- 11 maintenance. I know getting a new roof on there is going
- 12 to allow us to do that. Marcus knows what the roadway
- 13 looks like up there, so Marcus over on the Public Works
- 14 table, he knows we need to get that things fixed.
- So these are the CIP projects that are not 15
- 16 statewide projects, and they are listed in order of
- importance to NDOW or rank. So as we go through here, I 17
- can tell you what the rank is, but the rank, this is the
- 19 rank on this page of our projects:
- MR. MCADOU: And if I may, Mr. Chair, I do 20
- want to say that frankly, as a department, when we look
- at these projects from a holistic perspective, it is
- extremely difficult for us to provide ranking when you 23
- 24 consider, you know, really we have everything from
- 25 current occupied residences with employees that have

- 1 see there the culvert is nearly full. That culvert is
- 2 compromised and the top of it's rusted out, and we've
- 3 been thinking it's going to fail for several years.
- 4 Fortunately, we haven't had any issues with it yet, but
- 5 it's something that we feel is of high importance and we 6 need to get that corrected.
- Along with that is a bridge over the river
- further down the road a few miles down the road to the
- north, and this bridge has been on NDOT's list for years
- 10 for needing to be rehabilitated. By not taking care of
- 11 these things, it's just a matter of time before something
- 12 happens, so I think that we're getting to the point where
- 13 we've put it off long enough. It's time for us to do
- 14 something. And like I said earlier, with our limited
- 15 maintenance budget, it's hard to take care of all of this
- 16 stuff on our own. So we need a little help, please. So I already explained that the culvert's
- 17
- 18 compromised. You can see it's full of debris. That's
- due to the design of the ditch downstream. Actually this
- water does flow uphill here, so we get a lot of sediment
- 21 in the ditch. It's also something we need to fix, but
- that's something we can do in-house with a backhoe and
- 23 personnel. So once we get that fixed, we won't have this
- silting up issue. But you can see those culverts pretty 25 thin gauge there. It's quite old, needs to be replaced.

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- The bridge -- the rest of the photos are of
- 2 the bridge, and you can see that the approach decking
- there is deteriorated up against the grading. There's
- 4 the abutments are cracked. The bearings where the bridge
- 5 bearings on the abutments, it's full of debris and silt.
- The bridge needs to be painted.
- The guardrails are -- you can see the form 7
- around and the concrete where the guardrail post was in 8
- the ground there is all deteriorated and gone. Most of
- 10 it's gone. So we just need to -- I think as far as the
- 11 bridge goes, I mean, if we do a little maintenance, I
- 12 think it will last another 20 years before we have to do
- 13 any maintenance, but it's time to take care of that.
- The next project is also at Mason Valley and 14
- 15 it's the roadway. In 2023, we had a flood out there.
- The first picture shows the road. The flood came across
- 17 the main access road. This is how the employees get out
- 18 to the job site or get off the job site, how we haul fish
- off the job site, how emergency services access the job
- 20 site, how solid waste is removed from the job site, how
- 21 they get the mail. I mean, this is the road that gets us
- 22 on and off the site. And it runs from Miller Lane to
- 23 Sierra Way, and the whole road was flooded. At this
- 24 location here, it was -- the water cut across the road
- 25 and it was impassable.

- 1 later project, is so that we can address some of those
- 2 safety concerns that I previously discussed. But also,
- 3 NV Energy has two well houses, pump houses on the
- 4 northern end of this road, and during this flooding
- situation a couple of years ago, they could not access
- 6 their facilities. And one of the wells was down. And if
- the other one went down, Yerington would have had been
- without power. So it's really critical that we get this
- 9 road to a condition where it's usable in extreme
- 10 conditions so that we can ensure that Yerington has power
- 11 so we can continue to do our job out there.
- Another Mason Valley project. This is the 12
- old -- I said old. It's existing, but it is old. This
- 14 is the wildlife management area office. I think it was
- 15 built in the '40s. Sorry I don't have that information.
- 16 It's old and it's rundown. In fact, I think we finally
- 17 told our staff that they're no longer allowed to work in
- 18 this thing. It's just that bad. So they're without a
- 19 home right now. But the next few pictures show just how
- 20 horrible it is.
- 21 One of the lower right pictures, you can see
- 22 that's a power electrical panel. And what might not
- stand out too well is that's on the paneling behind it,
- 24 that's damage from water leaking through the roof or
- 25 ceiling.

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- It got so severe out there we had to evacuate 2 most of our personnel. I think only two people, two
- 3 staff members were left onsite to take care of the
- 4 product which is fish and make sure that our facilities
- 5 -- well, trying to protect the facilities as best we
- 6 could. Obviously, with the flows, we might not have had
- any way to protect them, but fortunately, we didn't -- it
- never got up to that critical point to where the house
- was going to get washed away. But any way, right here we
- had a local pile of debris that we could put into the
- 11 hole to fill it, and then the next page shows the
- finished product. 12
- And this was critical at the time because we 13
- 14 had probably close to a million dollars worth of product
- onsite: Fish that we needed to get offsite because they
- were getting too big for the raceways and we were afraid 16
- of losing the fish. 17
- So I pretty much went over the reasons. One 18
- 19 of the reasons for the need to get this thing -- this
- project is actually just for the design, designing
- 21 roadway improvements, roadway and drainage improvements,
- and it's going to take a large hydrology study to figure
- all of that out. 23
- But one of the other reasons that we need to 24
- 25 get this road designed and constructed, which would be a

- MR. MCADOU: If I may, I do want to point out that the department, I believe it was in the 1950s when
- 3 we purchased the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area,
- 4 which is a wildly popular area for, you know, residents
- 5 of Washoe County and other counties on the western side
- 6 of the state. And generally speaking, we don't charge
- much in the way of fees. You know, we want public use.
- We encourage a lot of public use.
- And I just want to make it clear that I don't
- believe that it has been negligence by the Department of
- Wildlife that these buildings have deteriorated to this
- point. I think we've tried to make due with the minimal
- budget that we've had and frankly, the condition of the
- facility when it was originally purchased. Just the age
- alone, the facilities have degraded. But I just wanted
- to, you know, to give our staff credit. They do amazing
- work out there and put a lot of the sweat and blood into
- 18 keeping the facility nice. And so just wanted to point 19 that out.
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: So this project we're 20
- proposing to construct a thousand square-foot office and
- 22 a 4,800 square-foot heavy equipment storage building
- 23 kind of like the building you see here, which is not
- 24 4,800, but just something to keep our expensive equipment
- 25 out of the weather to protect it.

- The plan is to build a thousand square-foot
- 2 office over by the hatchery because at the hatchery,
- 3 there's a shop, and we want to have combined usage at the
- 4 shop, have the hatchery personnel and WMA personnel be
- 5 able to use the same shop so we don't have to spend money
- 6 for another shop a mile down the road. Thought it makes
- 7 more sense economically to do that. If you're wondering
- 8 why we don't share the office at the hatchery, it's
- 9 because it's really not big enough for the staff that we
- 10 have in there right now plus the staff from the WMA, so
- 11 just propose another office over there kind of adjacent 12 to it.
- The Ely office building. Not really much to
- 14 see in that picture other than the fact that maybe it's a
- 15 little small. I think it would be small for a family to
- 16 live in it let alone try to have people working out of
- 17 it, but the main thing with that is that we've overgrown
- 18 it. And right now, we have people sharing offices which
- 19 I mean I guess that's not a big deal, but the lower right
- picture, you can see this is the game warden's office.
- 21 They put two desks in there at an angle back-to-back so
- 22 that they have an office.
- And it's a good idea, except that I don't
- 24 think it meets any kind of a code. And you can see it's
- 25 jammed full of stuff. There's not legal room for an

- 1 us: Harvest check-ins for Bighorn Sheep. Many of you
- 2 are familiar with that. Right in the middle of our
- 3 conference room. We have a consistent need for a meeting
- 4 space to house -- to host public meetings, excuse me.
- 5 And so this really is, like I said, hard to prioritize
- 6 all of these projects, but this is one of those that's
- 7 truly is an immediate need. Less risk here, but we just
- 8 frankly don't have enough space to put our current
- 9 workforce in. And the objectives are not meeting the
- 10 objectives of not working from home.
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: So this upper left photo is
- 12 a check-in, a harvest check-in. And it's actually it's
- 13 not as grotesque as what I wanted because there are some
- 14 grotesque things that are brought in to be checked in
- 15 occasionally. And this is right in the office. This is
- 16 in the conference room. You can see the office. These
- 17 are the partition wall offices in the background. Yeah.
- 18 A lot of times, these things have maggots all over them
- 19 and they're just -- they stink. They're just nasty. And
- 20 it's not a good condition. So the fix here is we are
- 21 proposing to build a 1,500 square-foot office addition
- 22 onto this building, L-shaped.
- To go back to the first slide, it would be
- 24 off to the only corner of the building you can't see and
- 25 extending off to the east there. You're looking at the

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- 1 egress. Well, this even to get out if there's an
- 2 emergency, I mean, obviously, they can get out, but it's
- 3 just not to code.
- 4 There's another picture, another office
- 5 showing how crowded it is. That office, if I'm not
- 6 mistaken, is in the conference room. Okay. So when I
- 7 first started with the department in 2014, one of the
- 8 projects was to build some walls in the conference room
- 9 to create two offices. And so this is one of the offices
- 10 now filled up. And I think you're looking from the
- 11 office out into the conference room.
- MR. MCADOU: Vice-versa. You're looking from
- 13 the conference room into these offices, and this was a
- 14 scenario where we actually put up temporary cubicle walls
- 15 into the conference room ten years ago to accommodate the
- 16 need for additional staff in 2014.
- 17 Since that time, we've added three additional
- 18 staff. With the housing crisis in Eureka, Nevada, we've
- 19 had to close our office in Eureka. Employees cannot find
- 20 housing, and we've had to move those staff to Ely. And
- 21 so now this office currently has eight employees with one
- 22 or two employees immediately foreseen with no opportunity
- 23 for growth beyond that.
- So with doing nothing, people have, as you
- 25 can see in this photo, this is a very important task for

- 1 west side of the building. And then that same photo
- 2 would -- off to the right there, we would propose to
- 3 build a 444 square-foot necropsy lab just there to
- 4 separate from the building but off to the right of that
- 5 walkway there. There's a door -- you might be able to
- 6 see it over there from the conference room. It would be
- 7 just off to the right of that.
- 8 This next project is in Elko. The 2023 flood
- 9 again didn't only affect Mason Valley. It affected us in
- 10 Elko. Water coming off the what's the range there? The
- 11 Adobe Range came rushing out of the mountains, and we
- 12 thought we were in good shape here until it got down to
- 13 us and it just started eating away. It's hard to tell
- 14 how much earth was moved here, but it's a lot. A lot of
- 15 earth was moved out here. My guess is several hundred
- 16 yards of earth was moved out here, maybe even a thousand.
- MR. MCADOU: I'd say closer to a thousand.
- 18 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: But that piece of concrete
- there was the stoop coming out of the door of the shop.You can see it took it right off the building there. And
- this building is probably 100 feet long, and then beyond
- 22 that is our storage yard with security fence, and it --
- 23 yeah.
- The next picture, you can see it running down
 - there next to the security fence and then encroaching on

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- 1 our property, but this channel was away from us, and this
- 2 flood came down and went where it wanted to go and about
- 3 took the building out there. So this project would be to
- 4 design and construct some erosion protection or
- 5 rechannelize. You can see that bottom right photo there,
- 6 we did a little rechannellization to help us out, but we
- 7 need to buttress up against the building there with some
- 8 better -- drawing a blank here, but more embank riprap or
- 9 whatever to stabilize that area all the way up and down
- to along the fence and everything.
- MR. MCADOU: If I may to maybe provide a
- 12 point of clarification. So the ditch in the bottom right
- 13 photo was an emergency action during active flooding by a
- 14 local contractor so that we didn't lose the entire
- 15 building. On the back end of that ditch in that photo,
- 16 by the basically it would be the northeast corner of the
- 17 building, the ditch naturally, the sinuosity of that
- 18 natural ditch wants to cut into the building, and so we
- 19 did place some large riprap there.
- Thankfully, we were on the back end of that
- 21 flooding event, but it was even breaching a pretty
- 22 significant amount of riprap at the time. We don't think
- 23 we will survive another event like this without
- 24 compromising this building. And so and just the
- 25 sedimentation of this ditch, it's really just an

- 1 place. It's all spelled out here.
- 2 And one important note here is when I first
- 3 started presenting these dams a few years ago, these dams
- 4 were considered to be in fair condition, and now they've
- 5 been downgraded to poor condition, so we're not getting6 any better.
- 7 Next project is a water intrusion project.
- 8 This house has a basement. We need to do some grading
- 9 around the building to promote positive drainage around
- 10 the house, maybe put in some dry wells, but the next
- 11 photos you can see the basement of the house. It's the
- 12 effervescent on the concrete floors and the water comes
- 13 through the walls. The slab is popping up. You can see
- 14 some poor drainage up against the building, even some
- s water on the floor there.
- The next two projects are security projects.
- 17 Some of you may be aware that NDOW has had -- well, some
- 18 of you are probably aware that there's a lot of people
- 19 against hunting, but there's activists that come into our
- 20 facilities, create some issues vocationally, but the next
- 21 two are projects at our Elko and Reno office. And you
- 22 can see there's no -- the public are free just to walk in 23 and walk into someone's office, and we're trying to
- 25 and wark into someone's office, and we're trying to
- 24 hopefully make that a little bit harder on somebody. And
- 25 then with that, we need to upgrade our facilities'

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- 1 emergency scenario. It's lost a lot of its
- 2 effectiveness, and there's also consequences here.
- 3 Shortly after this ditch out of the photo,
- 4 this goes underneath an NDOT road, NDOT maintained road,
- 5 NDOT culverts, which are undersized. And so a
- 6 consequence of these upstream actions will certainly
- 7 impact downstream. Without us doing something, we
- 8 actually could be impacting Interstate 80 as well as
- 9 other State highways.
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: I was told I need to hurry
- 11 up. So the next two projects are reservoir projects, dam
- 12 projects, dam rehab projects. What I'm trying to show
- 13 here is that on the first one, Eagle Valley is the dam,
- 14 is less than three miles to Ursine, the Town of Ursine.
- 15 There's greater than 271 million gallons of water. If
- 16 that dam breaks, the town is going to get wiped out.
- 17 Same thing for Kingston Canyon. It's four
- 18 and a half miles from the dam to the Town of Kingston.
- 19 There's 184 acre feet, which is 60 million gallons of
- 20 water. Same thing. You can see some of the issues with
- 21 these dams in the pictures that follow these to feed-in
- 22 slides. The spillway at Kingston is you can see it's
- 23 toast. It needs to be replaced. There's vegetation on 24 the dams that need to be cleaned up. There's riprap that
- 25 needs to be placed. There's reshaping that needs to take

- 1 external facilities like security gates and fences and
- 2 whatnot. This is a comprehensive security improvement3 project at both sites.
- 4 Another dam project. This one doesn't have a
- 5 town downstream close by, but it does have Highway 50
- 6 within about three miles of the site. It's the largest
- 7 of the reservoirs: 1,080 acre feet, 351 million gallons
- 8 of water coming out of there if we have a problem with a
- 9 break. So same things. We need to recontour the dam,
- 10 riprap. Vegetation, same issues.
- 11 Argenta Wildlife Management Area. It's a new
- 2 area in Battle Mountain. Pretty popular place so far.
- 13 It's an active ranch. We have facilities out there that
- 14 we need to protect. And this old ranch, you can see on
- 15 this lead-in photo there used to be a residence there
- 16 right below where it says Argenta WMA. Right now,
- 17 there's a foundation, which you can see on the next page.
- 18 It's fairly new. It's in good shape. We think we could
- 19 utilize it to put a house on there. That's our goal.
- 20 And we have all utilities there, so it's on the wish list.
- Then the last project, this is an energy
- 23 conservation project. And I think it fits well with the
- 4 governor's energy policy objectives, but if you notice,
- 25 this is out at Mason Valley, again at the hatchery. If

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- 1 you go to the next page, you can see that our power usage
- 2 out there is about five times greater than any of our
- 3 other hatcheries. And we feel if we can get a
- 4 photovoltaic system out there that we can reduce those
- 5 costs and get them in line with the other facilities.
- 6 And that's it. If you have any questions, let me know.
- 7 MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. On your dam
- 8 projects, have there been any agencies with your
- 9 downgrade issues: Cease and desist? Any kind of
- 10 reconstruction?
- 11 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Sorry. I don't hear that
- 12 way. I'm not sure I caught -- heard the question
- 13 correctly.
- MEMBER WALKER: Your dam projects, has any
- 15 agency given you cease and desist, repair and fix
- 16 instructions? Any kind of documentation from any agency?
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: We do receive annual reports
- 18 from Dam Safety Division of Water Resources, but not
- 19 cease and desist. We haven't received a cease and
- 20 desist.
- 21 MEMBER WALKER: So have they downgraded to
- 22 poor?
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: They're the ones that
- 24 downgraded it to poor.
- 25 MEMBER WALKER: Have you conversed with them

- 1 and that's certainly we don't want to repeat that again.
- 2 We don't want to overbuild and waste resources, but we do
- 3 want to give ourselves enough room for expansion.
- 4 As an example, the Elko office, one of our
- 5 regional offices, I believe it was constructed in 2002 or
- 6 2004. That was, in our minds, overbuilt at the time. We
 - are now at or beyond capacity of that office as well.
- 8 And so I think our proposal here really tried to reflect
- 9 a happy medium, if you will, of trying to anticipate
- 10 future growth but not going too far out over of
- 11 overbuilding either. I think frankly, we probably could
- 12 use to expand that a little bit, but just trying to find
- that middle ground, if that answers your question.
- 14 MEMBER WALKER: It doesn't.
- MR. MCADOU: Okay. Sorry.
- MEMBER WALKER: I will ask a more direct
- 17 question. When is the next time you will be back before
- 18 this Board to ask for money to expand your Ely office?
- MR. MCADOU: I would hope with this expansion
- 20 that it would be beyond 20 years.
- 21 MEMBER WALKER: Perfect. You answered the 22 question.
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: I would like to say that
- 24 Philip De La Mare with Public Works, who did the write-up
- 25 for Public Works on the project, he did take that into

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- 1 on the steps required to bring these up to a good or
- 2 better?
- 3 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Their reports provide that
- 4 information on what needs to be done which is summarized
- 5 on the sheet there.
- 6 MEMBER WALKER: Okay. So they've recommended
- 7 the construction that has to take place.
- 8 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Yes.
- 9 MEMBER WALKER: Then on your -- let's see.
- 10 Building, I believe it is in Ely. Yes, it's in Ely, your
- 11 1,500 square-foot office and lab.
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Yes.
- MEMBER WALKER: What's the percent growth
- 14 that you mentioned that you've had with the additional
- 15 staff in that area? How long is this 1,500 square feet,
- 16 what is the useful life or the lifecycle of the square
- 17 footage that you want with your anticipated growth?
- MR. MCADOU: Yeah. For the record, Caleb
- 19 McAdou, Deputy Director of Operations. Excellent
- 20 question, and that's one that we've kind of toiled with
- 21 back and forth. I would say frankly, ten years ago, we
- 22 wouldn't have anticipated the growth that we have in
- 23 White Pine County.
- What I will say respectfully to those before
- 25 me, I think this building was undersized from the start,

- 1 consideration in his write-up. He did increase the size
- 2 of the building. I think we were asking for 1,200 feet,
- 3 and he said he thinks we should put 1,500 feet for those 4 exact reasons.
- 5 MEMBER WALKER: I'm good with 20 years.
- 6 MR. MCADOU: That really is our hope.
- 7 MEMBER WALKER: My next question concerns the
- 8 Elko office and the erosion drainage damage that you've
- 9 had. I see the ditch goes straight by the office. Is
- 10 there enough property to take this ditch away from the 11 office?
- MR. MCADOU: Yes. Again, for the record,
- 13 Caleb McAdou. The State owns a significant portion of
- 14 land to the northeast. Beyond that would be the
- 15 direction that we would want to peel field this ditch
- 16 away from the office. That's controlled by the State,
- 17 managed by the Division of State Lands. I believe it is
- to again and to aith an the New de West 1 To 12 Control of
- 18 assigned to either the Nevada Youth Training Center or to
- the Division of Forestry, but frankly, it's just vacantrangeland, so I believe there's adequate space to do so.
- 21 MEMBER WALKER: And the budget has considered
- 22 that with all the riprapping that's going to happen?
- MR. MCADOU: That's my understanding.
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Yeah. Embankment or
- 25 protection and channelization, I believe, is the project.

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- 1 MEMBER WALKER: That's all I have.
- 2 MEMBER LEWIS: Kevin Lewis, for the record.
- 3 On that particular project, based on the topography, it
- 4 makes sense for the drainage to go to the northeast of
- 5 the building?
- 6 MR. MCADOU: Yes, sir.
- 7 MEMBER LEWIS: And based on topography, it's
- 8 adequate enough for that drainage to be moved in that
- 9 direction? Of course the warehouse is how much grade
- 10 above where that drainage could go? Is it feasible from
- 11 a physiological standpoint? Am I making sense in my 12 question?
- MR. MCADOU: Yes. Do you want to answer?
- MEMBER LEWIS: Because you guys know the topo.
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: So yes. The building will
- 17 be safe if we can move the channel to the northeast and
- 18 the topography will allow us to do that. We're not going
- 19 to have to move mountains. We are just going to have to
- 20 dig a ditch.
- 21 MEMBER LEWIS: There you go. That's my
- 22 question. You answered it.
- MR. MCADOU: It is -- from a perspective of
- 24 Nevada topography, it is flat ground. I mean, there is a
- 25 grade to it, but there's -- it's really relatively flat.

- 1 MEMBER LEWIS: Okay. Great. Okay. Thank
- 2 you.
- 3 CHAIR HAND: Member Hand, for the record. On
- 4 the dams, are there any opportunities for federal grants
- 5 or anything like that to support some of that work?
- 6 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: There is. And we actually
- 7 applied for a grant and got it, and we even spent a
- 8 significant amount of money to comply with some of the
- 9 requirements of the grant, and it never materializes. I
- don't know if it was because of COVID or what, but we applied for a grant to study -- that particular one of
- 12 those dams has a leak, so it's not totally applicable for
- 13 the maintenance perspective, but there is a grant.
- 14 CHAIR HAND: As a followup, has historically,
- 15 has grant money been used to repair some of NDOW's dams?
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: We're repairing a dam right
- 17 now, and there is some grant money attached to that.
 - CHAIR HAND: I guess the question, the real
- 19 question is: Have you considered pursuing some grant
- 20 money to do some of these repairs?
- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Yes. And usually dam safety
- 22 will let us know when there's an opportunity. We can
- 23 look for opportunities as well. Yeah, they do come up
- 24 for sure.
- 25 CHAIR HAND: I guess in my memory, I think

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- MR. LIGHTHOUSE: You can see in that picture
- 2 that's up on the screen right now off to the right of
- 3 that fence as you're looking at it, so it's fairly flat
- 4 out there.
- 5 MEMBER LEWIS: Okay. Based on that lower
- 6 picture, it seemed like everything to the I guess the
- 7 east seems a little higher topography, but I could be
- 8 off, so I just wanted to --
- 9 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Look at the left picture.
- 10 So you can see off to the brush out there, it's about the
- 11 same elevation as where that channel is.
- MR. MCADOU: What you are seeing there what
- 13 appears to be higher topography is actually where they
- 14 peeled that earth back to control the water.
- 15 MEMBER LEWIS: Okay.
- 16 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: Yeah.
- 17 MEMBER LEWIS: Thank you.
- 18 DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: This is Brian Wacker,
- 19 with State Public Works. If I could add something to
- 20 this. One thing to help you, Member Lewis, with these
- 21 questions is part of this project is not a huge project,
- 22 but we are looking at doing a drainage study at this site
- 23 just to answer those exact questions before we get into
- 24 construction. So yes, we're going to be taking a look at
- 25 all that as we get into this.

1 there was some -- in the past, there were some

- 2 opportunities, and was it Marlette maybe? Was there some
- 3 grant money on that?
- 4 ADMIN DEPUTY WACKER: Correct. This is Brian
- 5 Wacker, for the record. So State Public Works has been
- 6 able to do projects at Marlette Lake and Hobart Reservoir
- 7 has some FEMA grant funds available. And so that's
- 8 something actually on these projects as well we look
- 9 forward to going down that route and looking for the FEMA
- 10 dollars on those if we could. But they are there.
- 11 CHAIR HAND: I guess I would just encourage
- 12 that they be pursued if there's a challenge. You all
- 13 have a lot of items on your list, and with the
- 14 maintenance budget you talked about, you obviously can't
- 15 do all of the work, right. So if there's grant money out
- there, we could get it, that would be wonderful.
- 7 MR. MCADOU: Mr. Chairman, for the record,
- 18 Caleb McAdou, Deputy Director. A comment very well noted
- 19 and completely agreed. I am new to this job, but my
- 20 understanding was, as Rodd has indicated, that we
- 21 applied. There have been efforts, and I don't want it to
- 22 seem like that hasn't occurred, and we are very familiar
- 23 with grants, and we try and use that to augment our
- limited resources all the time and I've made note of
- 25 that. We certainly will pursue that, but we have

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- struggled based on my understanding of executing that toa place of actually being useful.
- 3 MR. LIGHTHOUSE: These dams are -- Rodd
- 4 Lighthouse, for the record. These dams are small, but
- 5 they've been neglected and there's communities below
- 6 them. So, you know, when you're comparing to Oroville,
- 7 there's no comparison here. This is a pond, right? So
- 8 it's difficult to justify or maybe the person that's
- 9 funding it, the agency that's funding to justify putting
- 10 money into one of these little things, but their
- 11 consequences are still significant.
- 12 CHAIR HAND: And Member Hand, for the record
- 13 again. Just so Brian, did with the Marlette and Hobart
- 14 project, did you all assist? Did Public Works assist in
- 15 those efforts at all?
- MEMBER WALKER: Brian Wacker, for the record.
- 17 On those projects we did, and that's really because
- 18 Marlette Lake is part of State Public Works, and so we
- 19 directly helped the staff. I know most other projects
- 20 because I know NDOW is very familiar with grant funds.
- 21 Probably you guys are better at it than we are, I'm sure.
- 22 And so we probably looked to more or their staff to
- 23 spearhead the effort for their grant applications but we
- 24 obviously would be ready and willing to help with
- 25 whatever we could on that.

- 1 MR. DURAN: My name is Sandor Duran. I am
- 2 the energy manager for the Army National Guard.
- 3 MR. LUNDBOM: Good afternoon. Quinn Lundbom,
- 4 base engineer for the 152nd Airlift Wing up in Reno,
- 5 Nevada.
- 6 MS. IVEY: Good afternoon. My name is Jayme
- 7 Ivey. I'm with the Nevada Army National Guard, and I am
- 8 over the plans and construction department.
- 9 MR. CHAPPELL: We'll start out and hope this
- 10 video works to kind of introduce -- you know who we are,
- 11 but we'll introduce a little more with the video. There
- 12 was sound to that video, however. I think the pictures
- 13 and the video did enough.
- Once again, Clayton Chappell, for the record.
- 15 Appreciate this opportunity. Appreciate the Board and
- 16 the Division for their support over the last couple of
- 17 decades that I've been in this position and working with
- 18 the State Public Works.
- Most of the slides will follow what you have
- 20 in your packet there. There will be a few slides that
- 21 will be out or a few projects will be a little bit
- 22 different. We understand, because we were updating our
- 23 slides and we heard that the book already got published
- 24 by the time we were updating our slides, so for the most
- 25 part, it should follow what you have there.

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- 1 CHAIR HAND: Thank you. Well, I guess we're
- 2 questioned out. Thank you for your presentation today.
- 3 And wildlife is near and dear to me, and I hope that we
- 4 can, in the CIP, find some money to help you.
- 5 MR. MCADOU: Thank you very much for your 6 time.
- 7 MEMBER MANNELLY: I'll make a motion to
- 8 adjourn for lunch.
- 9 DIRECTOR GRIMMER: I'll second.
- 10 CHAIR HAND: All in favor aye?
- 11 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 12 CHAIR HAND: Opposed? Motion carries. Thank 13 you.
- 14 (Lunch recess.)
- 15 CHAIR HAND: Chairperson Hand, for the
- 16 record. Good afternoon. Welcome, military. We're glad
- 17 to have you here today and look forward to your
- 18 presentation, and I know you know the drill, but if you'd
- 19 please state your name and affiliation, we'd appreciate
- 20 that. And again, we look forward to a nice presentation
- 21 from you all.
- MR. CHAPPELL: Good afternoon. I'm Clayton
- 23 Chappell. I'm with the Nevada Army National Guard. I'm
- 24 the director of installations and environment, and I'll
- 25 have the team that I have here introduce themselves.

- We'll go to the next slide. So what we've
- 2 done is -- and this is an eye chart to start out is the
- 3 first 15 projects are federally funded, and we're seeking
- 4 the State match in order to execute these funds or
- 5 execute these projects.
- 6 The next group towards the bottom left, there
- 7 are eight projects there, and they're slated to get
- 8 federal funding. So we're going to work with our higher
- 9 headquarters and the National Guard to be able to get
- 10 those, but they're slated to get the federal funds. And
- 11 then the projects 24 through 46, which are the remaining
- 12 23 projects, you'll see some of these projects a couple
- 13 of times in this presentation, and I'll explain them a
- 14 little bit, but we will once again work with our
- 15 counterparts at the National Guard Bureau and get the
- 16 federal funds. And we've been successful in the past
- 17 seeking getting those federal funds.
- So with that, we'll start with our first
- 19 project. So our first project is at the CH-47 or also
- 20 called the Chinook helicopter at or Stead facility in
- 21 Reno. We have seven Chinook helicopters, and we're only
- 22 able to house two sometimes we can squeeze three of them
- 23 indoors.
- And as you can see from the picture, there
- 25 are times we have to go out in the elements and sure it's

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- 1 military equipment, but we'll have to go out in the
- 2 elements in order to mobilize or do responses. And one
- 3 of the things the federal government has pushed out over
- 4 the last several years is to house these in storage
- 5 hangars. And so we're in the process of completing our
- 6 UH 60 storage hangar. In fact, it's framed right now and
- 7 it's in the same location. And this project right here
- will be adjacent to that one for the CH 47 Chinook
- helicopters.
- It was a Congressionally added project, so we 10
- 11 do have the federal funds. This project was actually
- 12 presented last CIP but didn't get picked up with the
- 13 State funds. We're bringing it forward to say hey, we
- 14 worked with our Guard counterparts that says hey, we
- 15 cannot lose these funds.
- 16 We understand the importance of housing these
- 17 pieces of equipment so we're doing design initially as
- 18 federal, and we'll have some federal dollars to do the
- 19 \$57.7 to do the project and we're seeking the rest as
- 20 State funds to complete this project. So we're seeking
- 21 \$16 million, just over \$16 million for this project.
- 22 Next project.
- 23 MR. LUNDBOM: Again, Quinn Lundbom. So our
- 24 first project here is also our number one project for the
- 25 wing. It is an aircraft parking apron expansion. It's

- 1 basically a hundred percent federally funded, I'm just
- 2 looking for help from your team to get it through the
- construction phase of the project. So thank you.
- MR. DURAN: Sandor Duran, for the record.
- 5 Power distribution and lighting upgrade for the office of
- 6 the adjunct general building in Carson City, Nevada. And
- 7 we received funds in FY '22. We didn't make it through
- the CIP. During that time, we worked with State Public
- 9 Works to develop construction documents that are waiting
- 10 for bid as soon as we find the State funding.
- 11 The power portion of this project will
- 12 increase the breaker space within the facility. It will
- allow critical projects that can't be done onsite due to
- 14 lack of power infrastructure and have been shelved, and
- it also currently, the power needs of the facility are
- not being met by the current infrastructure.
- The lighting project will go from fluorescent 17
- 18 tubes to LED's, which will increase efficiency, longer
- 19 lifespan, reduce maintenance costs, improve lighting
- 20 quality, dimmability control, reduce carbon footprint.
- Another thing we're going to do with this project is
- 22 attach the occupancy sensors to the mechanical control
- system to allow the system to come on and off as our
- 24 occupancy is dynamic and it's not just 9:00 to 5:00, so
- 25 it will allow for the system to turn off when no one is

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- 1 about 65,000 square feet that we intend to expand our
- 2 apron to add as you can see here, one more aircraft
- 3 parking spot. Relatively straightforward project,
- 4 concrete. What's there right now is just dirt, gravel, 5 so we have the space.
- A little bit of back story on this project.
- The Air Force and DOD is going through a modernization of
- our C-130s right now, and our airframe we have is from
- the '90s, and so they're slowly modernizing the aircraft
- and bringing them up to date. So about a year ago, we
- had a team from National Guard Bureau come to our base.
- They inspected us and this was their number one finding
- was our aircraft, our apron doesn't accommodate all eight
- aircraft safely. After finding that, we were not
- selected for the next Js. We are working on it in the
- future, but this is one of our project, hence why it's
- number one. 17
- Since then, Major General Berry, the acting 18
- general for the State of Nevada -- sure you all know 19
- him -- he strongly advocated for this project, and as
- such, was able to receive \$800,000 of State design funds
- from leftover ARPA money. Right now, I'm currently
- working with your team to go through the design efforts,
- which we're hoping to have completed in the next six to
- 25 ten months. So this portion of the project, which is

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- 1 there as well as come in on the weekends when they don't
- 2 tell maintenance that they're going to be there. We have
- 3 \$900,00 in federal funds and we're looking for \$2.7 in
- 4 State funds to complete the project.
- The central -- for the record, Sandor Duran.
- 6 The Central Plant replacement in Las Vegas Readiness
- Center. The building was built in 2007. During that
- time, the chillers compressor had started over 25,000
- times which should be a quarter of that in normal
- operation of the equipment. For the last ten years,
- State maintenance has spent countless man hours in-house
- as well as worked with State Public Works in
- troubleshooting a solution to correct the operational
- errors of the chiller as well as spent countless dollars
- on bringing in outside vendors and contractors to try to
- 16 troubleshoot the issues with the chiller.
- It's not a maintenance issue as maintenance
- 18 staff has done the maintenance of the annual maintenance
- required by the piece of equipment every year, but
- 20 unfortunately, it still hasn't fixed the issue with the
- 21 chiller. And maintenance believes, within the next
- 22 several years, we're going to have failure on that
- 23 chiller. We currently have \$900,000 in federal funds, 24 and we're looking for another \$900,000 to complete the
- 25 project from State dollars.

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1 MR. CHAPPELL: For the record, Clayton

- 2 Chappell once again. If I could have moved this to
- 3 number one, I would have. However, most of the projects
- 4 are significantly more important than that one. However,
- 5 I am very excited about this potential State match
- 6 program. I appreciate Wil, Brian, and Marcus in working
- 7 with me and my staff on how to solve the problem of the
- 8 funding gap between the federal process, which is on the
- 9 annual basis, and the State, which is in the biennial
- 10 basis and being able to get more federal dollars into the
- 11 State.
- And so the charts that you see there on the
- 13 left-hand side are just some depictions of the federal
- 14 dollars we've been able to bring into between the
- 15 bienniums and then we're seeking State dollars and we're
- 16 trying to figure out how to do that. And over the years,
- 17 we've been creative in working with State Public Works or
- we're executing projects at other federal facilities.
- And after a while, we can only do so much at
- 20 our federal facilities, and the majority of our soldiers
- 21 and I'd say the airmen as well are at armories and
- 22 readiness centers. That's where they spend the majority
- 23 of their time. And so that's where we need the State
- 24 matching funds.
- So as I said, the charts break down a couple

- The new infrastructure will allow the
- 2 facilities to be islanded from the grid during utility
- 3 outages which will allow the PV system to continue to
- 4 operate. A common misnomer is that when the utilities go
- 5 out the PV panels are still allowed to operate, but due
- 6 to the way they're currently installed, when the power
- goes out on the grid and we have outages, and the PV
- 8 panels go down. So this will allow us to upgrade our
- 9 infrastructure to allow the PV panels to operate during
- 10 utility outages, charge the batteries as during the
- 11 daytime and allow the batteries to work at night,
- 12 therefore taking our three-day generation or three-days
- 13 worth of fuel for our generator and stretch it out to
- 14 various days which will increase our energy security and
- 15 resiliency from the Guard.
- And these are systems required or these are
- 17 systems that we are requesting from lessons learned from
- 18 National Guards from Texas, Florida, and Puerto Rico that
- 19 have experienced natural disasters within the last few
- 20 years. We currently have \$27.5 million dollars in
- 21 federal funding and looking for \$900,000 in State match
- 22 to complete the project.
- Sandor Duran, for the record. Replace the
- 24 interior lighting and controls at the United States
- 25 Property & Fiscal Office located in Carson City. The

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- 1 of areas of where in the last several years from 2020 up
- 2 to we're anticipating through 2026, federal dollars that
- 3 we can bring to the table.
- 4 What we're going to do is match the State
- 5 dollars that are in the State match program and be able
- 6 to execute projects. Not delay projects, not come up
- 7 with different creative ideas on how to create ways to do
- 8 it. This will help us in bringing even more federal
- 9 dollars. It's \$2.5 million from the State, and we'll
- 10 guarantee that we're going to bring \$2.5 million at a
- 11 minimum from the federal government, and we'll be able to
- 12 execute this. So this will help bridge the gap between
- 13 these different federal fiscal years, State fiscal years
- 14 and just the dynamics behind that.
- MR. DURAN: Sandor Duran, for the record.
- 16 Microgrid and photovoltaic system at Harry Reid Training
- 17 Center located in Stead. The project will add
- 18 photovoltaic with batteries and interconnect the ASF
- building with the field maintenance shop. This project
- 20 will reduce the number of run-time hours on the standby
- 21 generator during utility outages as the photovoltaic and
- 22 batteries will provide site energy night and day.
- 23 Interconnecting the field maintenance shop to the ASF
- 24 will allow both facilities to take advantage of the large
- 25 generator and infrastructure at ASF.

- 1 current lighting is fluorescent tubes. We have lighting
- 2 that is failing within the facility throughout the
- 3 facility. We are looking to upgrade to LED's which will
- 4 provide occupant comfort, energy efficiency, longer
- 5 lifespan, reduce maintenance costs, improve light
- 6 quality, dimmability and control, reduce carbon and
- 7 reduce our carbon footprint. Funding: We have \$652,000
- 8 in federal funding and looking for \$267- in State match
- 9 to complete the project.
- 10 MS. IVEY: Jayme Ivey, for the record. This
- 11 project is to remodel the restroom facilities at
- 12 Henderson Armory. The current restroom has had one
- 13 renovation where the women's restroom was added to the
- 14 facility. There has not been any upgrades to the
- 15 restroom since this addition.
- We also have a new program in the facility
- 17 called Star Base which is a STEM program for 5th through
- 18 12th graders that partners with Clark County School
- 19 Districts. With this program, we want to create a
- 20 restroom that separates the locker and shower room areas.
- 21 They currently are all open to the space. Therefore, the
- 22 restrooms have to be shut down when the students are in
- 23 there and the restroom facility cannot use them. This
- 24 remodel will also allow the restrooms to be brought up to
- 25 current ADA code and provide fixtures that are more

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- 1 efficient energy and water conscious. We currently have
- 2 secured \$900,000 in federal funding and we are requesting
- 3 \$2.4 million to complete this project.
- 4 Advanced planning: Renovation for the Navy
- 5 Operational Support Center. This renovation of the
- 6 facility will provide more efficiencies how the Army
- 7 National Guard operates on a daily basis in drill
- 8 weekends and times of mobilization. We procured this
- 9 video through the State of Nevada -- excuse me. We
- 10 procured this facility through the State of Nevada in
- 11 2022 from UNR.
- This renovation will also bring the facility 12
- 13 up to current code and standards both through the
- 14 International Building Code, ADA and also National Guard
- 15 Bureau and DOD standards for our organization. The space
- 16 renovation will also allow for flexibility of space to
- 17 accommodate four companies. Each company has 100
- 18 personnel per company and provide building offices and
- 19 storage that meet our needs. The federal funding for
- 20 this is a little bit different than your book. We will
- procure a million and split this project 50/50 with the
- design with the State. 22
- 23 MR. CHAPPELL: Clayton Chappell, for the
- 24 record. The advanced planning for the civil support
- 25 team. This is a CBRN, so it's a chemical, biological,

- 1 complete the design and go after construction dollars on
- 2 this particular project.
- MS. IVEY: Jayme Ivey, for the record. The 3
- 4 advanced planning of the combined support and maintenance
- shop. This facility is our CSMS, and it is currently
- 6 undersized, and it is around 12,000 square feet. It was
- also built in 1997. The current facility does not meet
- 8 the requirements, and due to the undersize of the
- 9 facility, updated equipment and the growth of the units,
- 10 we've outgrown our facility.
- 11 The current amount of work bays also reduce
- 12 the number of vehicles that we can maintenance at once
- and how many mechanics can service vehicles at once. The
- 14 new facility will allow for six work bays compared to
- 15 current four and one dedicated inspection bay. The
- 16 current facility is also deficient in tool storage space.
- 17 supply storage and administrative areas. We would
- 18 increase the facility up to 53,000 square feet with a new
- 19 building which would bring our operational space up from
- 20 12,000 square feet.
- 21 This is also a Congressionally-approved
- design project of which we've secured \$2.7 million
- dollars in federal funds, and we are requesting \$1.6 from
- 24 the State in order to complete the design of this
- 25 project.

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- MR. DURAN: Sandor Duran, for the record.
- 2 PV connected battery storage system: United
- States Property & Fiscal Office located in Carson City.
- This project will add batteries to the existing
- photovoltaic system and add infrastructure to the
- 6 facility to allow islanding during power outages. This
- project will also reduce the number of runtime hours on
- the standby generator during utility outages as
- photovoltaic batteries will provide site energy night and day. 10
- The new infrastructure will provide -- will 11
- allow the island to be -- the new infrastructure will
- allow the facility to be islanded from the grid during
- utility outages which allows the PV system to continue to
- operate. The systems requested are from lessons learned
- from Army National Guard disaster responses in Texas,
- Florida and Puerto Rico as well as some increase the
- Nevada Army National Guard's energy security and
- resiliency and the ability to respond in times of need.
- Currently, we have obtained \$1.8 million dollars in
- federal funding and looking for a match of \$368,000 of
- State match to complete the project.
- Sandor Duran, for the record. Install 23
- 24 electrical vehicle charging stations at field maintenance
- 25 shop 7 which is located in Las Vegas. As we continue to

- 1 radiological, nuclear and explosive units. It's a
- 22-person full-time unit that assists local authorities.
- They've been called a few times.
- They're here in Carson City in a leased
- 5 facility. They're over in the same facility where the
- State is actually taking some of their employees out this
- building and putting them in permanent structures that
- the State owns. We're wanting to do the same thing. 9 It's over \$27,000 a year to house these folks in this
- 10 location. It doesn't meet their requirements as far as
- 11 space. Security doesn't meet their requirements. And as
- I mentioned, the cost. 12
- This unit, as I said, works with local 13
- authorities and we're working with Division of State 14
- Lands and the State Public Works Division on a final 15
- location here in Carson City so they can -- near the 16
- Capitol building so they can continue to train with local 17
- authorities, and they're an asset throughout the state.
- They've done missions in Elko and Markleville which is 19
- not in the State, but here nearby. They've done it in 20
- Carson City, they've done it in Reno, and as I said, Las 21
- Vegas. Great asset to have for the State. 22
- We do have this is a Congressionally added on 23
- 24 from the federal side, so we do have the design dollars.
- 25 We're seeking the State dollars of just over \$300,000 to

- 1 grow in the State, this is an accordance with the Guard's
- 2 master plan for electric vehicles. Current vehicles are
- 3 being upgraded to electric vehicles per Executive Order
- **4** 14057.
- 5 The National Guard and public vehicles will
- 6 be able to use the chargers. The charger stations will
- 7 have payment software so electrical costs are accounted
- 8 for from the federal government as well as private users.
- 9 The federal government currently has \$488,000 for this
- 10 project and looking for a State match of \$364,000 to
- 11 complete the project.
- Sandor Duran, for the record. Install
- 13 fiberoptic interconnect, Floyd Edsall Training Center
- 14 located in North Las Vegas. During Speedway
- 15 construction, the fiberoptic interconnection was removed
- 16 due to budget constraints in 2018.
- 17 Adding the fiber line between the facilities
- 18 not only connects the site for future planning but also
- 19 eliminates redundant utility services which result in
- 20 monthly utility savings not having to have redundant
- 21 Internet services at each site. This will also reduce
- 22 the manpower and infrastructure required for the Guard,
- 23 restore communications in the event of an emergency.
- 24 natural disaster or communication failure which will
- 25 allow better response times in those events. Currently,

- 1 projects.
- Now the next group are eight projects that
- 3 are slated for federal funding. As I said, we're work
- 4 with National Guard Bureau to acquire them and to get the
- 5 funding for these projects.
- 6 MS. IVEY: Jayme Ivey, for the record.
- 7 Taxiway delta replacement in north Reno. Currently, we
- 8 are working with the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority to
- 9 obtain a taxiway into our leasehold. The taxiway is in a
- 10 state of severe deterioration as you can see from the
- 11 photo. It is marked as a level of failure for the
- 12 taxiway.
- The issue with this is the aircrafts are
- 14 kicking up a lot of foreign object debris when they take
- 15 off from here. We have a C-12 plane and then of course
- 16 we have our Black Hawk and Chinook aircrafts as well.
- 17 The issue with the FOD: Foreign object debris, is it's
- 10 assistant damaga to the syndensomic and arrange and arrange
- 18 causing damage to the undercarriages, engines and props
- 19 and propellors of the aircraft. Each one of those
- 20 maintenance, especially with the propellors and the
- 21 props, it costs anywhere between \$100- that \$500,000 per
- 22 blade. So with this repair work, we will create an FAA
- 23 standard for the taxiway that will create a better and
- 24 safer environment for aircraft and our pilots. The
- 25 federal funding will be \$3 million, and we would request

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- 1 the federal funding secured of \$1.2 million dollars and
- 2 looking for \$1.4 million dollars from the State to
- 3 complete the project.
- 4 Sandor Duran, for the record. Please replace
- 5 electrical panels at Floyd Edsall Training Center. We
- 6 will be upgrading the power at two facilities: Floyd
- 7 Edsall Training Center which is the CCA and the CSMS. We
- 8 also upgrade the NV Energy service to the facilities
- 9 onsite.
- 10 Currently, we're operating the building power
- 11 onsite which has led us to find out the -- has allowed us
- 12 to identify the shortcomings in the current
- 13 infrastructure that was built in 1997. This also is due
- 14 to lack of breaker space for -- due to lack of regular
- 15 space. Critical infrastructure upgrades are being
- 16 shelved due to lack of space. Needs of the facility
- 17 cannot be meet because of this. Currently, we have
- 18 \$419,000 in federal funds. Looking to the State for
- 19 \$952,000 to help complete the project.
- MR. CHAPPELL: So once again for the record,
- 21 Clayton Chappell. Those first 15 projects have the
- 22 federal funds already attached to them, some
- 23 Congressionally added here within the last year to year
- 24 and a half. So the federal funds are there. We're
- 25 asking for the State matching funds to execute on these

- 1 \$2.6 from the State to complete this project.
- 2 Interior renovation at Fallon Readiness
- 3 Center in Fallon, Nevada. Fallon Readiness Center has
- 4 had minimal repair work over the years and is one of our
- 5 oldest readiness centers built in 1962. It is in
- 6 desperate need of repair. The restrooms do not meet the
- 7 requirement for the soldiers to put on weekends and there
- 8 is also sewer issues and septic smells in both of the
- restrooms.
- The kitchen is also undersized and not usable
- 11 and does not meet code compliance. We also need to
- 12 upgrade the fixtures and HVAC that's within the building
- 13 to make this more updated code and energy efficient. And
- 14 this will make it also more usable for the soldiers in
- 15 the building. The federal funding for this will be \$2.7
- 16 million dollars, and we would request from the State \$2.9
- 17 in order to complete this project.
- 18 Pavement maintenance and site improvement at
- 19 Fallon Readiness Center in Fallon, Nevada. The back lot
- of this site has a lot of drainage issues on the lot and has created deteriorated organizational parking that
- 22 cannot be fully utilized by the unit. The fencing also
- needs to be fixed to meet the height requirements of our
- 24 antiterrorism enforced protection standards to ensure
- 25 that the facility and the equipment remain secure. We

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- 1 will receive \$815,000 in federal funding and we would
- 2 request \$955- from the State in order to complete this project.
- MR. LUNDBOM: Quinn Lundbom, for the record.
- 5 All right. So advanced planning or design for the
- Margrave at our installation up there in Reno. So this
- project will install a box culvert in the existing open
- channel ditch. It's about a thousand linear feet long.
- It creates a couple of things. It's a safety issue for
- 10 us. Just about 700 feet to the east of this image down
- 11 here is an active runway up at the Reno-Tahoe
- 12 International Airport. So as you can imagine, wildlife,
- 13 birds, it's a major concern. Birds and aircraft don't
- 14 get along. So other than just our aircraft, it also
- 15 affects the international airport up in Reno.
- 16 So in addition, this ditch is owned by the
- 17 City of Reno. It is on airport property which is then on
- 18 our leased land up there. So three different agencies.
- 19 It's also waters of the U.S. So this project will
- culvert this thing, get it through the design.
- The federal funds, I get that every year 21
- 22 anyway, so the federal funds are no issue to accommodate
- 23 that. And then the design portion of our -- excuse me --
- 24 the construction portion of it will be later on which I
- 25 fully intend that the federal government will fund a

- 1 parking and civilian parking. The security fencing will
- 2 also adhere to the antiterrorism protection requirements
- 3 of the DOD. Without this site -- without this project,
- 4 the site will continue to degrade and will cause issues
- 5 with our trainings and use allotted there. Federal
- 6 funding will secure \$1.2 million, and we would request a
- State match of \$1.4 million dollars to complete the
- 8 project.
- MR. DURAN: Sandor Duran, for the record.
- 10 Interior renovation at Plumb Lane Armory located in Reno.
- 11 Nevada. Currently, all the water piping at the facility
- is galvanized pipe. As you can see from the picture,
- after we were installing a water meter in the main, the
- 14 pipe is filled with minerals. The rust and other
- 15 minerals are in the drinking water, the cooking water,
- 16 and the water used for showering by the soldiers.
- Currently, the restroom HVAC is inadequate
- for the space. The plumbing needs to be remodeled to
- include hot water return, reduce water waste, modern
- 20 fixtures to reduce water usage. Currently we're looking
- 21 for \$1.2 million from the feds and a match of \$1.3
- million dollars from the State to complete the project.
- Sandor Duran, for the record. Window
- 24 replacement of Washoe County Armory. Currently, the
- windows are original to the building built in 1997. The

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- 2 requirement to get us through the design fees with your
- 3 team. So thank you.
- 5 maintenance shop two at our northern Reno site. The
- current wash bay is located on the south end of our FSM
- facility that was built in 1994. Due to budget
- constraints, we just could not enclose it in order to get
- become difficult to clean our equipment due to weather

- 13
- protects our current wash bay from cracking and freezing 14
- temperatures. The federal funding will be around 15
- 16
- million-dollar match in order to complete this project.
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- site since the acquisition from UNR in 2022. The current

- while the Navy Reserve owned the facility. 23
- 25 lot usage for training exercises, military vehicle

- 1 hundred percent of it again just using the State
- MS. IVEY: Jayme Ivey, for the record. Field

- the facility built. During the winter months, it's
- 11 and freezing temperatures.
- Enclosing the wash bay will allow this to 1.2
- become a year around operation no matter the weather and
- \$842,000, and we would also request from the State a \$2.4
- Site improvements at Camp Washoe in north
- 19 Reno. The Nevada Army National Guard has been using this
- site needs repairs to the parking lot on the south and
- west sections of the site due to lack of maintenance
- The repair work will also allow for better 24

- 1 window seals and frames are broken which allows air, dust
- and insects in the facility even when the windows are closed. The west-facing windows radiate the heat in the
- late afternoon in the summertime, causing occupant
- discomfort and complaints as well as additional stress on
- 6 the HVAC equipment. Winter drafts also cause occupant
- discomfort and additional stress on the HVAC equipment.
- Currently, we are looking for \$221,000 in federal funding
- for this project and a State match of \$255,000 to
- 10 complete the project. MR. CHAPPELL: For the record, Clayton 11
- Chappell. Just a reminder that those eight projects we
- just discussed have federal funds slated for them. As
- Major Lundbom pointed out, he gets those annual budget
- amounts on the federal side. We as well on the Army side
- get those, so they are slated to have the funding. We're
- looking for the State match to complete those eight 18 projects.
- 19 The remainder of these projects we're working
- 20 to get the State funding. And when I talk about hey,
- you're going to see some of these projects a couple of
- times, these projects with a State match program will
- work extremely well in us getting and securing additional
- federal dollars. It gets very competitive on the
- 25 national level, and once we're able to say we got the

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- 1 State dollars to match whatever projects, we will get --
- 2 in fact, I got an email today about \$50,000 to do some
- 3 demolition and we said we got the State money. We can do
- 4 this demolition, and that just happened today because
- 5 it's getting towards the end of the federal fiscal year
- at the end of September. So these projects, once again,
- we are seeking with and working with our counterparts at
- National Guard for these.
- MS. IVEY: Jayme Ivey, for the record. Field 9
- 10 maintenance shop one is located in our North Las Vegas
- site. This site was built in 1997, and we have a lot of
- issues with our storage due to increased maintenance,
- 13 materials and equipment.
- I don't think I have to tell you guys how hot 14
- 15 it gets in Las Vegas. Due to this, we have some tires
- 16 that had to be exposed out to the elements. We've had
- them melt in the sun because we do not have adequate 17
- storage. This also decreases the life of the equipment 18
- 19 that we have to store outdoors. And we do use a
- makeshift storage area as you can see with the Conex 20
- 21 containers in order to keep them out of the elements year 22 around.
- The current situation also decreases work 23
- 24 efficiencies by not having storage adjacent to the main
- 25 work bays. This requires maintainers to go through the

- 1 By allowing the military vehicles to access the back, it
- 2 removes them from the main street and civilian traffic
- 3 which creates a safer environment in front of our
- 4 Henderson Armory and prevents traffic congestion. We're
- 5 looking to secure federal funds of \$459,000 and we
- 6 request \$528,000 in a State match to complete this
- 7 project.
- 8 Advanced planning at Swan Lake. This project
- is for our Army Combat Fitness Test Track and Athletic
- 10 Field. We currently secured funds at Las Vegas, but due
- 11 to restrictions by National Guard Bureau where each state
- 12 is allowed one site per state, obviously, it's not
- 13 conducive by having Reno and Las Vegas so far apart. We
- are looking to work to get an exception to criteria for
- 15 this project to help provide federal funds for this, but
- this advanced planning project will provide a permanent
- structure for soldiers that are required to test on our
- 18 fitness qualification which is mandatory for them to
- pursue future career status within the Guard. 19
- 20 This would consolidate the training to one
- 21 designated space for all of the northern National Guard
- 22 members. For both Carson City and Reno locations,
- 23 soldiers must use the current armories to train using
- temporary dirt fields around concrete spaces. While this
- 25 does meet the need, we are having to replace the

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- 1 facility in order to get supplies while servicing the
- 2 equipment. With this project, we can extend the life of
- 3 our materials, have adequate storage and remove the Conex
- makeshift storage containers at this shop. We want to
- secure federal funding of \$828,000 and we would request a
- 6 State match of \$953,000.
- Site improvements at Henderson Armory. Due 7
- to the construction and development around Henderson
- Armory site, the commercial, residential and public areas
- 10 have caused a shift in water drainage to our site. The
- 11 highlighted portion is beginning to show heavy dirt
- 12 runoff from large rains and watershed onto the site.
- 13 This creates issues with effective use of our parcels and
- 14 for the unit station at the armory and issues with their
- 15 equipment and vehicles that are stored in that area.
- 16 Currently, gate number one has been closed
- off and riprap has been added to help the water and soil 17
- 18 runoff the city streets and drainage. The closed gate
- 19 affects our mobilization by not allowing Nevada National
- Guard access that would create a healthy path of travel 20
- if the gate were open for military vehicles. 21
- We also have a request for a new gate on the
- 23 back half of the property to the west. By opening the
- 24 new gate, this will help vehicle maneuvers in heavy
- 25 traveled areas and the commercial area this side of town.

- 1 temporary turf often and the use of the facility in ways
- 2 that it was not designed for. Some of the running paths 3 are not fully hazard-free, and we have had injuries with
- 4 soldiers who are trying to meet their qualifications.
- The State funding we had requested is \$1.6, but if we do
- secure an exception to criteria for National Guard
- Bureau, we would split the cost 50/50 between the State.
- Concrete replacement at Harry Reid Training
- Center. This is also at our north Reno site associated
- 10 with our Washoe County Armory. Due to the weather and
- 11 age of the concrete, it's now to the point where it's
- 12 beginning to deteriorate and cause personal hazards,
- 13 cracks and unlevel service for the personnel who work up
- 14 there. This project would replace the degraded pavement
- and provide more safety to the personnel entering the
- facility. Federal funding would be \$468,000 and we would
- request \$537,000 from the State to complete this project. 17
- 18 MR. DURAN: Sandor Duran, for the record.
- 19 Geothermal Wellfield Speedway Readiness Center located in
- 20 North Las Vegas. The infrastructure for the wellfield
- into the facility to the wellfield is already installed.
- With the installation of the geothermal wellfield, we
- 23 would remove the building's need for natural gas and
- heating months. It would reduce the need for a cooling 25 tower for nine months to two months which will

- 1 significantly reduce water usage in the area. Paired
- 2 with a photovoltaic project, the facility reduces the
- 3 need for outside utility requirements and increase the
- 4 energy security and resiliency of the Guard.
- We believe this project will meet the Nevada
- 6 Executive Order from 2023-07 and Senate Bill 358.
- Currently, we are looking for \$652,000 federal dollars
- and a State match of \$621,000 to complete this project.
- Sandor Duran, for the record. Upgrade
- 10 lighting at Clark County Armory. Currently, all lights
- 11 in the facility are florescent tubes. We're looking to
- 12 upgrade LED's and provide occupancy sensors. We feel
- this project will increase occupant comfort, provide
- energy efficiency, increase lifespan, reduce maintenance
- 15 costs, improve light quality, dimmability and control and
- 16 reduce carbon footprint.
- This one, we'd also connect to our building 17
- control system to allow for the mechanical system to work
- with our dynamic building occupancy. We are currently
- looking for \$500,000 in federal funds with the State
- 21 match of a million to complete the project.
- MAJOR LUNDBOM: Quinn Lundbom, for the 22
- record. Advanced planning: Indoor small arms shooting
- 24 range up at our installation up there in Reno. This
- 25 project would demo our existing containerized shooting

- 1 Construct storage buildings for the Nevada National
- 2 Guard's State maintenance. We have three sites that are
- 3 in a situation as you can see from the photos, all of
- 4 their materials are stored in Conexes in north Reno,
- Carson City, and in North Las Vegas.
- The lack of these buildings requires us the
- staff to have to locate their equipment in multiple
- containers and provide an inefficient space for their
- tools and supplies. Some of the equipment cannot fit in
- 10 the Conex containers and is stored outdoors in the
- 11 elements which shortens the life of the materials and
- 12 equipment. By doing this project, it will provide
- 13 adequate structure for the maintenance staff, and they
- 14 will have one location for tools, materials and
- 15 equipment, increasing work efficiencies and maintaining a
- 16 more secure work space. We are requesting for this
- project \$7.3 million dollars for construction.
- Canopy over the simulators at our North Las
- 19 Vegas site. Due to the heat in Las Vegas, it directly
- 20 affects the simulator training trailers. It creates an
- overload on the HVAC units making them work hard to cool
- 22 the trailers. Each trailer contains training simulators
- for soldiers during their annual training weeks. The IT
- 24 equipment also produces a lot of heat, and with the
- 25 addition of summer temperatures in Las Vegas, it makes it

- 1 units and install or build a new approximately 10,000 2 square-foot facility that would incorporate ten shooting
- 3 ranges, a classroom and an overview range.
- Currently, our existing infrastructure is
- 5 considered equipment. We purchased it in 2015. As it is
- considered equipment by National Guard Bureau, I don't
- get sustainment dollars for this, so the units are slowly
- deteriorating. The roof is leaking. Half of the range 9 retrieval systems don't work. HVAC system is going bad.
- 10 So inevitably, I need to replace this. Obviously, our
- 11 shooting range is important to our domestic mission here
- 12 as well as our international mission for qualifications and such. 13
- Additionally, once the construction is 14
- complete, there is a potential for a multi-agency use of 15
- this facility. Whether other agencies within their local
- area may or may not be able to use it, I think it would
- be determined after construction. Right now, as a design
- portion of this, we don't have money, so I'm looking for
- \$1.2 million in State funds to get this project off to
- design. I do anticipate, however, that once the design
- 22 is complete, construction funds from the federal
- 23 government will be available for the construction
- portion. Thank you.
- MS. IVEY: Jamey Ivey, for the record. 25

- 1 very difficult for them to perform the trainings due to overload of the HVAC system.
- The addition of the canopy will reduce direct
- 4 sun impact and lower the temperature of the trailers
- 5 running the simulations. Federal funding for this would
- 6 be \$1.5 million and we would request \$1.6 in State
- dollars to complete the project.
- Overhead door replacement at Harry Reid
- Training Center in north Reno. This project will replace
- the current outdated and uninsulated doors at two of our
- facilities. It will also provide new insulated and
- mechanically operated doors. This will help in loss of conditioned space both in summer and winter months. The
- federal funding is \$211,000, and we would request
- \$280,000 from the State to complete this project.
- Maintenance work bay at Speedway Readiness 16
- Center. Speedway was constructed in 2020, and so it's
- our newest armory. Unfortunately, due to budget
- constraints, we did have to cut out the maintenance work
- bay. This is a requirement for all of our armories. And
- it is so that when soldiers who are doing their drills,
- they are able to maintain the vehicles on the site. By
- adding this, we will create a space that they can operate
- other vehicles onsite. You can see in the photos some of
- them that are currently there.

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- 1 Due to the fact that this readiness center
- 2 does not have one, they do have to travel down to North
- 3 Las Vegas in order to maintain the vehicles which causes
- 4 inefficiencies and overall times of in times where they
- 5 get called up, they would have inefficiencies to be ready
- 6 when needed. The federal funding would be provided
- 7 \$560,000 and we would request State funding of \$1.3 to
- 8 complete the project.
- 9 Maintenance work bay at Henderson Armory. We
- 10 have the same situation here. This armory does not have
- 11 a current maintenance bay. This would also provide a
- 12 site for the 72nd MP's and other units who use this for
- 13 the majority of their equipment to be maintained on site.
- 14 Due to this site being located in Henderson, Las Vegas,
- 15 the closest site is over 20 miles away to Las Vegas
- 16 Readiness Center which they have to drive the vehicles up
- 17 there in order to do maintenance and maintain them. The
- 18 federal funding for that project is \$560,000, and we
- 19 would request \$1.8 million from the State in order to
- 20 complete this project.
- 21 RV parking pads at Battle Born Youth
- 22 Challenge Academy in Carlin, Nevada. Due to limited
- 23 affordable housing and access in Elko to the employees of
- 24 Battle Born Youth Challenge, the proposed request would
- 25 construct RV parking with utility connection to help

- 1 When we first built this facility, it's on Silverada
- 2 Ranch Boulevard, and those that are familiar with that
- 3 area, it's significantly developed over there. In fact,
- 4 State Public Works is in the process of designing and
- 5 will be constructing a DMV in this area. So it has
- 6 exploded as far as development.
- 7 And our main gate is off Silverada Ranch
- 8 Boulevard, so there's some safety issues. We're noticing
- 9 it's more and more difficult to make different turns.
- 10 particularly with the equipment that we have. So what we
- 11 end up doing is relocating the main gate off of Arville
- 12 and work with the State Public Works Board and the City
- in order to develop that and for our future access, our
- 14 primary access. We're looking at federal funds of \$1.5
- 15 million and seeking the match of \$1.5 from the State as
- 16 well to complete this project.
- 17 High security office area. So this facility
- 18 was built in 2020, and this houses the 17th Sustainment
- 19 Brigade. And this particular unit is slated to go to
- 20 central command. They're about ready to deploy in the
- 21 next 60 days, and they'll be spread out through central
- 22 command area which is in Iraq, Syria, Jordan, Qatar,
- 23 Saudi Arabia, and so they're about ready to take off.
- 24 But one of the things that has happened over the last
- 25 several years is their need for more and more secure

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- 1 alleviate new and existing staff with housing issues.
- 2 The federal funding would be \$350,000, and we would
- 3 request a State match of \$378,000 to complete the
- 4 project.
- 5 Star Base classroom at Clark County Armory in
- 6 northern Las Vegas. The Star Base program serves the
- 7 students for the Clark County public schools. The
- 8 program currently allows a set number of schools in the
- 9 district to attend a one-week STEM program funded by the
- 10 DOD. The popularity and outcome of this program over the
- 11 past two years has increased the program's need to reach
- 12 more schools within the district. The current facility
- 13 has run out of space for its expansion at their level 101
- 14 which is fifth and sixth-grade students.
- The addition of two more classrooms in the
- 16 Clark County Armory will allow onboarding for additional
- schools currently on the waitlist to attend the program
- 18 and also allow ease of access for schools who are located
- 19 in the northern portion of the district. The federal
- 20 funding would be \$460,000 provided for this project, and
- 21 we would request \$2 million dollars for State funding in
- 22 order to complete the project.
- MR. CHAPPELL: For the record, Clayton
- 24 Chappell. This is the main gate relocation of our
- 25 Anthony Cometa Complex that is in southwest Las Vegas.

- 1 areas for their equipment.
- 2 And so what this would be doing is
- 3 constructing basically some walls and some additional
- 4 power so they can plug in the computer systems and have
- 5 better accountability of what's at this location. We
- 6 would be seeking \$175,000 in federal funds and roughly
- 7 \$788,00 from the State to complete this project.
- 8 MS. IVEY: Jamey Ivey, for the record. The
- 9 overhead door replacement at Carlin Readiness Center in
- 10 Carlin, Nevada. This is very similar to our other
- 11 project. We do have outdated doors that don't provide a
- 12 lot of insulation, and we do have energy loss in both the
- 13 summer and winter months. We would provide new insulated
- 14 mechanically operated doors at this site. We would bring
- 15 \$316,000 of federal funding, and we would request
- 16 \$364,000 from the State in order to complete this
- 17 project.
- 18 Athletic Field: Battle Born Youth Challenge
- 19 Academy. This project is to provide an athletics field
- 20 for the students to attend Battle Born Youth Challenge.
- 21 This is an at-risk program for at-risk youth. They come
- 22 up there, they go through a schedule, and this project
- would be able to provide enrichment and team building for the students that participate.
- MR. DURAN: Sandor Duran, for the record.

- 1 Install parking lot solar panels at Speedway Readiness
- 2 Center located in North Las Vegas. We are looking to we
- currently have 50 KB PV system onsite, and we're looking
- 4 to increase the size of it to meet the full demand of the
- facility. This is the project we're paired with the
- geoexchange. The facility reduces outside utility
- requirements, increases resiliency in the face of natural
- disasters and emergencies and increased readiness. We
- also believe that project will meet the Nevada Executive
- Order 2023-07 and Senate Bill 358. Currently, we are 10
- 11 looking for \$2 million dollars in federal funds and a
- 12 State match of \$2.9 to complete the project.
- Sandor Duran, for the record. Connect the 13
- 14 sewer system at Speedway connection to sewer system at
- Speedway Readiness Center located in North Las Vegas.
- 16 During building construction, there was other facilities
- 17 that took up the space on the city sewer. Therefore, we
- 18 had to pivot and go to a septic and leach field system.
- 19 But during that construction, we made sure to include the
- infrastructure to make sure the sewer line was easily
- 21 connected to the city infrastructure when upgraded.
- City of North Las Vegas upgraded its sewer 22
- 23 system in approximately 2022. With this project being
- 24 constructed, we would reduce maintenance costs of the
- 25 leach field and the septic system as it would be

- 1 in the Army and air side, but we're active in State and
- 2 community events and disasters too, wildland fires,
- 3 flooding. We're participants in the New Year's Eve
- 4 mission every year down in Las Vegas working with the
- 5 local law enforcement and working with the hospitals with
- 6 the Air Guard does for that event as well, so we're out
- and about throughout the entire state. The soldiers do
- 8 appreciate the newer facilities and the newer equipment
- 9 and able to execute and train appropriately for their
- 10 various missions. Now subject to your questions.
- 11 MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. Was your
- 12 priorities the way the order that you gave us?
- 13 MR. CHAPPELL: For the most part, yes. The
- 14 original priority list that we worked with with Wil and
- 15 Brian and State Public Works Division is for the most
- 16 part what we had. There were some adjustments over the
- last I'm going to say two weeks, particularly in the last
- 18 within the last week, we had to make some adjustments and
- 19 add a couple of the priorities in there.
- 20 MEMBER WALKER: And I would like our staff to
- work with your staff to adjust them because I struggled
- keeping up with all of the changes. If it wasn't for our
- 23 board in front and matching project numbers, I was lost.
- So I need some clarification on priorities because I've
- got arrows going through here where things were put in

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- 1 abandoned in place. Currently, we are looking for
- 2 \$700,000 in federal funds and looking for a State match
- of \$700,000 to complete the project.
- MS. IVEY: Jayme Ivey, for the record. Last
- project. Repelling and rock wall at the Battle Born
- Youth Challenge Academy in Carlin, Nevada. This is
- another enrichment project for the students to attend the
- Academy. And this is another way that we can provide
- team-building exercises while they're at the Academy
- 10 before graduation. We would provide \$776,000 federal
- 11 dollars and we would request from the State \$877,000 to
- 12 complete this project.
- MR. CHAPPELL: Here's our final slide. Sure 13
- 14 you're looking forward to that one as far as our
- projects. What I'm trying to capture here is just some
- of the federal dollars. This doesn't account for
- maintenance sustainment dollars. This is just project
- money that we've been able to bring into the State over
- the last several years, and we're projecting out, as you 19
- see towards the bottom in '25, what's funded is \$31
- million in federal funds, and we're seeking State funds
- of \$23 plus million dollars. And the priority is
- critical projects we already have. 23
- As you saw in the video and I'm sure you're 24
- well aware of, we not only have our federal missions both

- 1 front. So if I could get -- and I'm sure the Board --
- get some clarification to the priorities.
- MR. CHAPPELL: Clayton Chappell, for the
- 4 record. Absolutely. Apologize for that confusion on
- 5 those priority projects.
- MEMBER WALKER: Thank you.
- CHAIR HAND: I was looking for questions from
- 8 my peers up here, but it sounds like you, as always, you
- bring money to the table and I know that well certainly
- as a taxpayer in the State of Nevada, we appreciate that,
- and I know that Public Works does their job to try to
- help you get those spent, and we appreciate all that
- you've done and your presentation today. And thank you
- 14 for the good job you've done.
- 15 MR. CHAPPELL: Thank you. Appreciate it.
- CHAIR HAND: Chairperson Hand, for the 16
- 17 record. Good afternoon. The floor is all yours.
- MS. FULLER: Thank you for your time today. 18
- I'm Brenda Fuller, the Director of Tourism and Cultural
- Affairs. I'm presenting today on behalf of the Division
- of Tourism or Travel Nevada, and I'm first going to
- present our Nevada Adventure Centers projects. With visitation specifically for outdoor recreation on the
- rise, the Division of Tourism identified the need to

support outdoor recreation infrastructure throughout the

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- 1 state.
- With our abundance in public land and 2
- 3 diversity of landscapes, Nevada is posed to become a top
- destination in the West for outdoor activities. What the
- State lacks is the education and infrastructure to guide
- 6 a safe, enjoyable experience for those who visit without
- proper gear or understanding of regional offerings.
- Adventure Centers are funded through a highly
- competitive federal construction award and lodging tax
- 10 approved by the Nevada Commission on Tourism. They will
- 11 be turnkey hubs for visitors and residents to connect
- 12 with regional tour guides and outfitters who will then
- 13 offer them the best possible outdoor recreation
- 14 information and experiences.
- To update this slide, Travel Nevada now has 15
- 16 2023 data regarding outdoor recreation which is now a
- \$1.72 billion-dollar industry with visitors spending at 17
- 18 that level within outdoor recreation. That's a 13
- 19 percent increase year-over-year and an almost 55 percent
- 20 increase since 2019. The Nevada Adventure Centers will
- 21 reinforce this growing economy, creating jobs and
- opportunity for our outdoor recreation businesses and
- 23 increasing quality of life for residents.
- Adventure Centers will be located in Carson 24
- 25 City and Boulder City to serve our Metro centers. In

- 1 the outdoor recreation economy and communities throughout
- 2 the state. This public/private partnership is an
- 3 important step toward making Nevada a top outdoor
- 4 destination.
- MR. THIELEN: Good afternoon. I'm Dan
- 6 Thielen. I'm the Administrator of Nevada's Division of
- 7 Museums and History. We have 45 projects on the CIP list
- 8 at this time, and we'll go through about the top half in
- 9 detail.
- 10 Our mission is to save and share Nevada's
- 11 heritage and to inspire curiosity and life-long learning
- 12 for all generations. Currently, we have about 300,000
- 13 square feet of facility sites in seven museums throughout
- 14 the state, and our primary concerns and our big demand
- 15 right now is collection of storage space and educational
- classrooms, educational classrooms space and then new 17 exhibit space.
- The hallmark of a museum is its collections. 18
- 19 And the holdings that the Nevada State or the Division of
- 20 Museums and History have are key to understanding the
- 21 unique culture that is Nevada both in all of the
- 22 different regions of the State and through the time that
- 23 we have and holding onto these items for future
- generations, in fact we hold onto them in perpetuity.
- 25 We have filled our collection space, and

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- 1 we're currently leasing more collection space from other
- 2 private entities and other State agencies, and people
- 3 cooperate with us very nicely. But now we're enabled to
- 4 make these available to all generations of Nevadans. We
- 5 have to look seriously at our collection storage spaces
- 6 and adding square footage.
- In this CIP submittal, we are looking mostly
- 8 at maintaining and working with the equipment we have.
- We don't ask for a lot of new square footage at this time
- 10 because I'm new at this job in this position, and in this
- 11 CIP, we have some pretty critical maintenance projects
- 12 that due to the age of our buildings and funding
- constraints in the past, we need some attention on those.
- 14 So I'll begin with the Nevada Historical Society which is
- 15 up in Reno on the --
- CHAIR HAND: Could I ask that you please 16
- 17 identify the project by your rank order?
- MR. THIELEN: Absolutely. 18
- 19 CHAIR HAND: The project ID.
- 20 MR. THIELEN: Dan Thielen, for the record.
- 21 Absolutely.
- 22 CHAIR HAND: Thank you.
- MR. THIELEN: So I will be in the facility of 23
- the Nevada Historical Society, and I've got two projects
- 25 I want to discuss here, and the exhibits project is our

1 Carson, the Adventure Center will be located on the

- 2 campus of the State Railroad Museum, bringing new
- 3 visitors to the museum and offering adventures in the
- surrounding region. 4
- The CIP request is for funding to build the 5
- additional four units near the bus drop-off as originally 6
- designed. Constructing these units now as opposed to a
- future phase will save money and provide more opportunity
- 9 for outdoor businesses. The design is meant to integrate 10 into the existing museum structures on the campus with
- details that are reminiscent of an old western town. 11
- The Adventure Center in Boulder City is 12
- 13 adjacent to Boulder City Chamber of Commerce building
- with views of the Lake Mead recreation area and regional 15 trailheads. The CIP request is for funding to build the
- 16 additional four units near the existing building also as
- originally designed. Again, constructing these units now 17
- 18 as opposed to a future phase will be more efficient and
- 19 provide for economic gains. The design is meant to 20 invoke the look and feel of land formation and native
- 21 plants in the surrounding landscape and to allow easy
- 22 pedestrian flow through the vendor stalls to the open 23 space on the property.
- Thank you for your time and consideration of 25 this innovative project that will serve as a model for

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- 1 number one project. The Nevada Historical Society is the
- 2 oldest museum in the State system. And in this exhibit,
- 3 we are asking for \$2.9 million for exhibit modernization.
- 4 Currently, there's a CIP going on at the historical
- 5 society.
- The land that we're on at UNR campus is on
- 7 expansive soil, and it's beginning to lift and move
- 8 around quite a bit. In fact, we have two and three-inch
- 9 gaps in our flooring in some of the places. The building
- 10 envelope is really suffering at this time. We are in the
- 11 middle of the CIP to fix both building envelope and HVAC
- 12 system, and we expect we'll be shut down for about 16
- .3 months during that time.
- We have to remove exhibits and then we're
- 15 moving collections from one side of the building to the
- 16 other which, if you would ask any archivist or any
- 17 historian, that is the scariest time because we always
- 18 worry about theft, we worry about loss. But sometimes we
- 19 when you place an artifact in the wrong spot, it's gone.
- 20 You haven't lost it, but you can't find it. And that is
- 21 always a challenge. But in this CIP, we in the current
- 22 CIP that's undergoing at that facility, we did not get
- exhibit money. So we'll remove this exhibit, and by the
- 24 time we're done with the repair to the facility, we're
- 25 going to install a new exhibit. And that's what this CIP

- 1 the federal government, and that has affected us
- 2 tremendously here in Nevada. And so these are 100
- 3 percent State requested. We are seeking grants in many
- 4 other places. Oftentimes, we'll have donated funds that
- 5 we'll add to these, but in the construction world no, as
- 6 you well know, \$50- or \$60- or \$80,000 of donated funds
- 7 is a tremendous amount for our institutions, but in
- 8 construction, that hardly buys the ink for the paper that
- 9 the drawings are printed on.
- 10 We've moving to Lost City now. Lost City is
- 11 in Overton, Nevada, and our first project there is our
- 12 number five on our requirements. Lost City, if you've
- 13 not been to Overton, Nevada, is an amazing museum that
- 14 was created by the WPA.
- 5 So the WPA, during the Great Depression, went
- through and they got artists and artisans and workers
- 17 jobs, worked for the federal government and they built a
- 18 lot of things throughout the United States, and it kept
- 19 people employed. It also taught trades and it created
- 20 some cultural phenomena throughout the state. You'll
- 21 notice in national parks, there's period construction
- 22 that you see and it's WPA. So the construction wasn't
- 23 what you would expect of journeymen, but it was work that
- 24 could be done by people that were just pulled off the
- 25 street to do to keep their families fed. And so the WPA

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- 1 request is for exhibits modernization.
- The second item on that list is number six on
- 3 our hierarchy of needs, and a \$2.1 million-dollar request
- 4 for high-density storage. So one of the greatest
- 5 inventions in collection storage are called compact
- 6 shelving. And these compact shelving, they essentially
- 7 have a box space between each row of shelves that when
- 8 you want to move down one or two shelves, you can press
- 9 these shelves and walk their way down, and it lets you
- 10 put a tremendous amount of storage in a much, much
- 11 smaller footprint.
- And the historical society has a
- 13 legislatively mandated requirement to store the official
- 14 documents of the State of Nevada. So NRS 381.245
- 15 requires us to take archives and records from the State
- 16 Library and Archives and store them in perpetuity. So
- 17 that includes NRS's and any other Nevada records. We
- and another are not affirmed and the lift of the state of
- 18 currently are out of space, and this high-density storage
- 19 is critical for us to meet our statutorily-required
- 20 obligations.
- 21 Having followed the National Guard with all
- 22 of their fed matches, you will not see any fed matches in
- 23 here which is terrifying. Museums at this time are no
- 24 longer authorized -- not just Nevada museums -- all 50
- 25 states are no longer authorized to receive earmarks from

- 1 built this site out there to study the Indian pueblos in
- 2 the area.
- 3 From 1935 until today, the technology has
- 4 evolved, and every time a new technology is adapted, you
- 5 bring electricity and you bring water in, you bring sewer
- 6 in, you bring data and communications in, the buildings
- 7 have been updated, but oftentimes it's not thoughtfully
- 8 updated. So in this, we would like to ask for advanced
- 9 planning to correct a lot of these deficiencies and put
- 10 us on the verge of meeting the demand that we're
- anticipating in the next five to ten years.
- 2 We are transforming our museums to meet the
- 13 needs of the public, and we are energizing the amount of
- 14 people that come to visit Nevada and also to provide
- 15 services for the citizens of the State. And we think our
- 16 museums are on the verge of greatness. We are seeing
- 17 numbers where our growth is, you know, in the ten and 15
- 18 percent which is a steady growth for us. We would love
- 19 that. But in some of our museums are off the charts, and
- 20 we'll talk just a little bit about that.
- 21 This advanced planning does HVAC, it takes
- 22 care of ADA concerns at this museum, it brings in
- asphalt, it resolves we've got drainage that for mercy's sake the way the runoff, it aims right at our collections
- 25 area. This past spring, we had rain that diverted into

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- 1 the director's office and she had gone on vacation, and
- 2 when she came back she had a mushroom farm in her office.
- 3 It was unexpected but, you know, you get 75 years worth
- 4 of things drifting in your office, it became a nice
- 5 perfect place to grow mushrooms. Public Works was able
- 6 to step up and help us with that with some innovative
- 7 solutions because quite frankly, our emergency money is
- 8 very thin as well. And we got that corrected and our
- 9 director was back in her place within a couple of weeks.
- We've moving to the Nevada State Museum in
- 11 Las Vegas. There are four projects in this facility.
- 12 This facility is 78,000 square feet facility, and it has
- 13 some unique things. It's our newest facility, and it was
- 14 built state of the art back in 2008. It's on the site of
- 15 the Las Vegas Spring Reserve, and we have a partnership
- 16 with them, and their visitation -- this is one of our
- 17 museums where we had a 700 percent increase in our school
- 18 tours at this facility. And we think we're just
- 19 scratching the surface. Museums can change lives in
- 20 those sites.
- And so our first request is number eight on
- 22 our priority list, and it's weatherproofing the exterior
- 23 of the building. Some of our systems have aged and Las
- 24 Vegas weather, sun caused some of the sealants to fail on
- 25 some of our systems, and during monsoon rains, we get

- 1 And then finally, number 18 is in our
- 2 collections area, we also want to maintain the
- 3 temperature. So that number 18 is adding HVAC in the
- 4 collections storage area so that we can use that
- 5 collections storage on things that aren't as robust.
- 6 Sometimes when you don't have the proper humidity
- 7 conditions and the proper temperature conditions, you end
- 8 up putting more robust items in there that can take it,
- 9 but there are things that really need to be kept within a
- 10 very tight envelope, and we want to use those storage
- 11 systems for all of those.
- We have a couple of statewide program
- 13 requests. There's a roofing replacement there that we
- 14 need at that museum and then the fire suppression system
- 15 in the collections area again. There's -- you can't use
- 16 sprinkler systems because the sprinklers will cause
- 17 damages to the collections area, and so we have it used
- 18 to be halon that was in there that you would pop, put the
- 19 fire out. Hopefully nobody takes a lung full of it and
- 20 lays down there in the fire area, but we have an inert
- 21 gas that needs to be replaced and upgrade the system to 22 modern standards.
- The Nevada State Museum in Carson City, which
- 24 is in the site of the old Carson City Mint. It was built
- 25 in about in 1871 and we've expanded. We've connected the

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- 1 some infiltration in that site, and that ends up in our
- 2 collections area.
- 3 Number 12 on this list is install
- 4 surveillance systems. While this is a public meeting and
- 5 I'm not really anxious to air our challenges that we
- 6 have, but security and intrusion alarms are not -- we
- 7 don't have them. And some that we do have now gone past
- 8 the state of we can't -- they're past their serviceable
- 9 life, and so we're asking for install surveillance
- 10 systems, number 12.
- Number 17: Museums need to humidify our
- 12 collections areas. You would think it would be -- it's
- 13 counterintuitive that we have to add humidity into our
- 14 collections areas, but in order to keep organic materials
- 15 for a long, long time, it can't be wet, so you can't have
- 16 high humidity, but extremely dry conditions are hard on
- 17 equipment or are hard on artifacts and documents.
- We have had a humidification system in those
- 19 collections area, but the type of water that is available
- 20 in Clark County is extremely -- has a lot of
- 21 calcification in it and we have worn out our humidifier,
- 22 and so we've re-installed those this year. We had them
- 23 replaced, but we want our reverse osmosis system to
- 24 ensure that we don't destroy the equipment with the
- 25 hardness of the water down there.

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- 1 bank building with that with the breezeway in those two
- 2 areas. The request is our number two request for
- 3 advanced planning for the Indian Hills Curatorial Center.
- 4 Our collection storage -- and you'll hear this theme over
- 5 and over again. We are almost to the point where we
- 6 can't accept one more item into our collections.
- This last summer within the museum system, we
- 8 were offered three amazing items and we found places to
- 9 stuff them in there. So one of them was a Model T Ford
- that passengers in the Carson City Depot to wherever the
- 11 hotels they wanted to be in Nevada and the prominence,
- 12 meaning where this item came from, was a Carson City
- 13 piece. And it's perfectly restored by the Harrah's
- 14 Collection actually did the restoration on this. And
- 15 they donated it to the museum without any conditions.
- 16 And it is a perfect item that matches the mission of one
- 17 of our other museums.
- And then we received a Model A Ford.
- 19 Somebody came in and just donated it, handed us the
- 20 title, and we said this is unusual because normally you
- 21 negotiate these things. And he said: Well, I'm an
- 22 unusual guy and handed us the title to it. So we'll be
- 23 able to use that in our interpretation. It will be
- 24 especially valuable in the next 100 years.

And then finally, Wells Fargo was getting out

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- 1 of the business of the stagecoach. So they maintained
- 2 like Budweiser did with the horses and the stagecoaches,
- and we're on the final for the consideration for a
- 4 stagecoach, a Wells Fargo stagecoach which was absolutely
- critical to the development of Nevada. We do not have
- 6 one in our collection. To store that stagecoach is
- critical to the Nevada State Museum because they're the
- only ones with that type of artifact storage base and
- it's up at Jackie Browns.
- The advanced planning for the Indian Hills 10
- 11 Curatorial Center will allow us to expand our storage
- 12 facilities in Northern Nevada and take -- relieve some of
- the other agencies from some of the stresses of trying to 13
- 14 make things match. We have some statutorily required
- 15 actions and that involves Native-American items that
- 16 we're repatriating them, but at this time, to hold them
- in a way that the tribes are delighted with our activity 17
- with them and then getting them back to the tribes who
- 19 need them.
- In our statewide program request, we are 20
- 21 requesting a new roof at the north annex. We need
- 22 asphalt down at the textile center, the Marjorie Russell
- Textile Center. The asphalt is failing up there. And
- 24 then in that Indian Hills existing Indian Hills
- 25 curatorial facility, we need fire suppression upgrades at

- 1 fencing for the site. And this site is way open to the
- 2 public. And a couple of incidents over the past three
- 3 years that have taken place. There is a wetlands area
- 4 with willows in it, and we found a very clever and hidden
- 5 homeless person had taken up residence in there. And so
- 6 we've been watching the property in the evenings and
- 7 after, but after 5:00 o'clock when the State goes home,
- this site takes on a new life.
- We had somebody break into the Depot building
- 10 and start a fire. Apparently, it wasn't a vandalism. We
- 11 would have lost the building if he had been any more
- 12 successful, but he was trying to find a place to have a
- 13 romantic encounter and built a fire inside one of the
- 14 stoves, and our fire alarm went off. Fire department
- 15 rolled and they called the police and they showed up
- 16 finally to shoot a guy out and take care of business. We
- need fencing. We need to delineate the metes and bounds
- of the property, and that's our number 13 request. And again, site security, we would like door strikes. We
- 20 would like key fabs. We'd like surveillance, and we'd
- 21 like intrusion alarms on the site.
- Our statewide program requests would be ADA 22
- sidewalk to connect the Depot and the museum. That
- currently we have some issues with that, and when we're
- 25 running locomotives, people will be absolutely

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- 1 that place at that site as well.
- We're going to the Nevada State Railroad
- 3 Museum in Carson City. Our priority number 11 will be
- the first thing I'll talk about. This 13-acre site is
- 5 the happiest site in State government. It will be the
- future sites of the Adventure Center in Carson City.
- This site has never had a master plan.
- This is one of the museums that has kind of
- grown up organically largely due to volunteer labor, and
- 10 some things happen as a result of that. When you have
- 11 volunteer labor, sometimes you don't get the design
- 12 issues taken care of. And we've had two flooding
- incidences on the property. One costs about almost a
- million dollars in damage to the property. It filled the
- museum with mud, and we were fortunate that it's railroad
- artifacts. They're made to be in the weather, and so we
- didn't damage any long-term, but it costs a great deal of 17
- 18 money to get the property back into operation.
- So this advanced planning will discuss site 19
- drainage, it will talk about how the site works with each 20
- 21 other, where the best places to install educational
- facilities and where the build out would be because we
- need places to store some rolling stock out of the
- weather so that we can do our demonstrations with that. 24
- Our number 13 on that list is security 25

- 1 fascinated, gawking and walking in areas where they'll
- 2 wander out into traffic, and so we need a sidewalk where
- 3 they can -- where people can be safe. It also needs to
- 4 be ADA accessible in order to meet the needs of most of
- our visiting public.
- The East Ely Depot Museum in Ely, Nevada was
- built in 1906. Our first request on this -- well, it's
- going to be number 15 on our list, and it's the
- replacement of an intrusion alarm. We have a depot
- building there and we had a freight barn there. We have
- a \$9 million-dollar CIP that's on hold currently because of legal wrangling with a private foundation that shares
- 13 most of the same site with us, and we have some deed
- questions that we're going to get resolved through the
- civil system. And in that pause, we have stopped the
- CIP, the construction phase of the CIP one hundred
- percent design until that gets resolved to the
- satisfaction of the governor's office and then we'll
- continue it again with that.
- This is one of the coolest sites in the 20
- nation. If you had an opportunity to drive out to Ely
- and visit this site, it's a snapshot in time. When the
- Nevada Northern Railroad and Kennecott Copper stops
- operations in the 80's, they just locked the door;
- 25 everyone thinking yeah, we're getting laid off and we'll

- 1 be back and after Christmas or whatever it was. And they
- 2 never came back. And ten years later in the '90s when
- 3 the State is offered these pieces of property, it was
- 4 like they had left everything ready for work on Monday
- 5 and they had just never came back. And so it is
- 6 culturally one of the most intact industrial historic
- sites in the nation. And it is a fascinating site.
- This site needs a fair bit of work, and on
- 9 this our number 15 is replacement of the intrusion alarm.
- This is one site that does have an intrusion alarm, but
- 11 they're well past their serviceable life and need to be replaced. 12
- And then number 19 on our list is the energy 13
- 14 upgrades. This building was built in 1905 of sandstone
- and single-pane windows and no insulation. It's time for 15
- us to do some energy upgrades and replace the windows and
- try to seal this building up tight. We have electrical 17
- baseboard heaters that haven't been replaced since the
- 19 1990s, and that's part of that request as well. So next
- summer when we complete our legal wrangling, we would
- 21 love to begin with the exterior of both buildings, the
- Depot building and the freight barn building remodel, and
- we would love to complete these energy upgrades as well.
- Finally, the Nevada State Railroad Museum in 24
- 25 Boulder City. This railroad built the Hoover Dam, and it

- This museum actually adds money to the
- 2 general fund typically. And then this first phase of the
- 3 museum is a \$25 million-dollar visitors center, as I said
- 4 before. And then we'll have phase two and three. \$25
- 5 million dollars to get one piece of rolling stock out of
- 6 the weather.
- So our artifacts are still exposed to the
- 8 elements, and people with bad intent. And so we're
- 10 advanced plans of the exhibit hall. There's a lot of
- 11 advanced planning requests in our activity or our
- 12 submittal this year because we think the unusual nature
- planning process. So we would plan one biennium and then
- 15 come for construction funds in the second biennium. We
- 16 hope the next time we come before you that we will show
- 17 you what we've done with those funds and what growth that
- prepared for your questions at this time.
- CHAIR HAND: You must have done a fantastic
- 22 your presentation.
- MS. THIELEN: You bet. Thank you.
- MS. FULLER: Thank you so much. 24
- MR. THIELEN: Come visit us. 25

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- 1 is on the verge of going completely over the top with 1 CHAIR HAND: Thank you.
 - MR. GALLUZI: Good afternoon, Chair and 2
 - 3 Members of the State Public Works Board. For the record,
 - 4 my name is Timothy Galluzi. I have the honor of serving
 - as the State's Chief Information Officer. Appears my
 - 6 timing has been impeccable, and it also appears you guys
 - are running a little ahead of schedule, so quite
 - opportune. 8
 - 9 Thank you this afternoon for the opportunity
 - 10 to discuss some very critical projects for the Office of
 - 11 CIO. I wanted to first start with a brief overview of
 - 12 our office: Where we sit and kind of why we exist as an
 - 13 entity with the State government. I understand my time

 - is brief, so I'll be as succinct as possible.
 - 15 The office of the CIO serves as the State's
 - 16 central IT organization providing enterprise-level IT
 - 17 services for the executive branch. Those enterprise IT
 - 18 services include statewide cyber security, server
 - 19 infrastructure, networking infrastructure, Cloud services
 - and direct and user IT support.
 - Why does this all matter? The vast majority
 - 22 of those services are provided for and supported out of a
 - 23 very unassuming building on 575 East 3rd Street here in
 - 24 Carson City. If you drove by it, you would not know that
 - 25 it is a central nucleus of compute and server

- 2 visitation and bringing people into Nevada and having
- 3 them stay. It also is very well suited in Clark County
- 4 to help augment educational opportunities and have more
- STEM training for the public. 5
- On this site, it's a large number 14, it's a 6
- 7 large ask, and it's for security fencing as well. So
- much of the property we've had some intrusion. This
- year, we've had vandalism take place. Somebody decided
- 10 that oh, it's box cars. We'll tag them like every other
- 11 boxcar. And so somebody came on the property and tagged
- 12 some of this equipment, and it's many thousands of
- 13 dollars to replace and repair that. We also had some 14 things stolen off the property, and we were pretty
- 15 careful about watching where it went. They came up on
- 16 eBay, and Boulder City Police Department was helpful with
- getting them back into our hands, and so we would we need 17
- 18 to be able to secure our property.
- 19 There is a \$25 million-dollar project going

25 and we are poised to do amazing things.

- 20 on the property at this time to build a visitor's center
- 21 and have some curatorial services admin offices, but this
- will be the place where you will see substantial growth
- 23 in the museum system in its activity. There is no
- 24 competition for this type of activity in Southern Nevada,

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asking for our number 20 on our list of requests is our

- 13 of the museums and we want to have a more deliberate

- 18 we've experienced within the museum system. I am
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- 21 job. We don't have any questions for you. Thank you for
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- 1 infrastructure for the executive branch of the State of
- 2 Nevada. And that is intentional.
- 3 This building provides the server network
- 4 infrastructure that supports a lot of the activities that
- 5 you have undoubtedly heard about the past day and a half
- 6 during a lot of these hearings. Undoubtedly, very
- ritical constituent touching services that range from
- 8 the life-safety, public service for law enforcement, for
- 9 our veterans, for health and education, really across the
- 10 gamut of what we do for our constituents across Nevada.
- 11 And a lot of that is supported through our services
- 12 within the Office of the CIO.
- The first project we're going to talk about
- 14 today is the HVAC system replacement and arc study. This
- 15 project is to support the cooling infrastructure for our
- 16 server room floor and HVAC that keeps our server and
- 17 network infrastructure cool and operational. This is not
- 18 just for the comfort of the 80 plus employees that we
- 19 have in this facility. This is to keep our server and
- 20 network infrastructure up and running. Without this, we
- 21 would unfortunately not be able to keep that
- 22 infrastructure up and running.
- In addition to the cooling system
- 24 enhancements that we're asking for during this project,
- 25 we're also asking for an arc flash study. And this is a

- 1 operations in the building. And in recent history when
- 2 we have dealt with civil unrest in the neighborhood,
- 3 we've had to lock down this facility, and having adequate
- 4 lighting around it would add an extra sense of security
- 5 and safety for our staff members that are doing 24-by-7
- 6 operations within the building. This would also help us
- 7 with green initiatives, help lower costs as far as our
- 8 energy consumption. Also envisioned in this project
- 9 would be to upgrade the controllers to make sure that
- 10 those controllers are as efficient as possible and up to
- 11 modern standards.
- Lastly for our main projects: CIP number
- 13 25258, and this is for the replacement of the raised
- 14 floor of the server room. And so this server room floor
- 15 is not seismically retrofitted, and we are in a
- 16 seismically active area. As you can imagine, if we had a
- 17 seismic incident and any of these server towers/server
- 18 cages collapsed through the non-seismically rated floor,
- 19 that would not be a good outcome for us not only for the
- 20 infrastructure that could potentially be damaged, but if
- 21 we had any staff members that work on that floor at the
- 22 same time, they would risk injury or something worse.
- The really interesting thing about the way
- 24 that these projects work, kind of an anecdote and aside,
- 25 is they would actually be able to keep all of the server

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- 1 safety measure. Our computer facilities technician, when
- 2 he was doing regularly scheduled maintenance on this, he
- 3 opened up the container. And thankfully, he took the
- 4 appropriate precautions and was wearing the right PPE,
- 5 and you can see on this picture it did have a bit of an6 arc flash. And thankfully, he was unharmed. But that's
- 7 why we're asking for that additional arc flash study for
- 8 not only this component, but the rest of the other
- 9 components that would be at risk for arc flash.
- 10 We currently have a CIP for other components
- 11 of this cooling system that is in flight for this fiscal
- 12 year, and then so this would be a companion to really
- finish off the rest of the cooling infrastructure for the rest of this facility. The total project cost for CIP
- 14 rest of this facility. The total project cost for CIP number 25256 is an estimated total of \$5,750,000.
- Moving onto the next project for the Office
- 17 of the CIO. We're looking at CIP number 25257. This is
- 18 the lighting replacement for the data center. The
- 19 lighting has -- it's effectively original for the
- 20 building. Not only are has technology rapidly advanced
- 21 since 2005 as far as lighting is concerned, we are hoping
- 22 for more efficient and effective lighting for energy
- 23 efficiency as well as safety.
- The lighting on the exterior of the building
- 25 is not quite bright enough and we do run 24-by-7

- 1 infrastructure up and running while they do this retrofit
- 2 and replacement, so we would not suspect that there would
- 3 be any outages of this server in the structure. They'd
- 4 be able to actually suspend all of these server racks
- 5 while they replace the floor underneath it. A similar
- 6 project was recently conducted within the department of
- 7 motor vehicles to bring that floor up to modern standards
- 8 of safety. So we are really excited for this project to
- 9 move forward and to make sure that our environment that
- 10 we have employees at working in every day to be that much
 11 more safer for them.
- 2 Not included in the presentation but also
- 3 included in a statewide list, we also have a roofing
- 14 project that is on the statewide list. We struggle to
- project that is on the statewide list. We struggle
- ensure that our facility is a top-notch facility for
- 16 housing the State's critical infrastructure to include
- 17 server and network infrastructure for the State. Our 18 goal is to maintain a highly secure, modern facility that
- ensures that the equipment is there when agencies need it
- 20 and it's reliable, and this Board can help us continue
- 21 with that mission by prioritizing these projects. So
- 22 thank you. I will stand for any questions the Board may
- 23 have.
- MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. You've asked for
- 25 \$8 and a half million dollars of improvement to your

- 1 building to your 22,000 some square feet. What is your
- 2 22,000 some square feet structurally? Is your building
- 3 structurally and environmentally sound so this investment
- 4 into it would be a sound investment for the State?
- 5 MR. GALUZZI: Thank you for the question,
- 6 Member Walker. Once again for the record, Timothy
- 7 Galluzi, State CIO. The building was remodeled, I
- 8 believe it was about 15 to 20 years ago, and so that's
- 9 when we received a significant addition to the building.
- 10 The building is well maintained, and the State's compute
- 11 infrastructure is well supported in the building.
- I believe that these enhancements are
- 13 reasonable enhancement to the building to continue to
- 14 ensure that it is well maintained. I believe that a full
- 15 replacement of the building would be much more -- it
- 16 would not be cost effective. If this was just an office
- 17 building, I believe that that would be a conversation
- 18 worth having, but the fact that we have so much fiber
- 19 infrastructure and other infrastructure that's running
- 20 into this building, I think it's more prudent to continue
- 21 to protect, maintain what we already have here.
- MEMBER WALKER: Follow-up would be your
- 23 parking structures and your expansion for the future.
- 24 How is your parking with expansion going?
- MR. GALUZZI: Thank you for the question,

- 1 time. And I appreciate the opportunity.
- 2 CHAIR HAND: Thank you. Let's take a quick
- 3 recess.
- 4 (Recess.)
- 5 CHAIR HAND: Member Hand, for the record, the
- 6 floor is all yours, gentlemen.
- 7 ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Wil Lewis, for the
- 8 record. We're pleased to give the final presentation of
- 9 the day presentation for the Department of
- 10 Administration. With me, I have Brian Wacker, Deputy
- 11 Administrator for the Division. Both Brian and I will be
- 12 sharing the duties presenting this afternoon.
- Slide, please. I will cover our 2025 CIP
- 14 planning and construction projects. Brian Wacker will
- 15 cover maintenance and statewide projects. We want to
- 16 approach our presentation a little differently in that
- 17 instead of just giving a linear walkthrough of our
- 18 projects, both Brian and myself are going to highlight
- 19 key projects for your consideration. And we're going --
- 20 I'm going to start with the planning projects to begin
- 21 with. So to make it easy on the Board, I'll reference
- 22 the rank of the project, allow you guys time to find it,
- 23 and then I'll highlight a few key points on it.
- So the first project is ranked fourth in your
- 25 binder. As I mentioned yesterday, this is the advanced

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- 1 Member Walker. At this time, with the amount of FF&E
- 2 that we can currently support with this building, we do
- 3 have adequate parking. And so unless we get another
- 4 floor added to the building that rapidly increases the
- 5 amount of head count that we would add to the building,
- 6 I'm not currently concerned with the amount of parking
- 7 that we'd need.
- 8 MEMBER WALKER: Define you're currently
- 9 concerned. Are you looking ten years? Fifteen years?
- 10 Twenty years into the future with that?
- 11 MR. GALLUZI: Thank you for the question,
- 12 Member Walker. Once again for the record, Tim Galluzi.
- 13 That would be if we would need to rapidly expand the
- 14 footprint of this building. For the data center that we
- 15 have now and for supporting of that data center, I do not
- 16 foresee a need to expand the footprint. For our
- 17 organization as a whole, any additional space
- 18 requirements could be accommodated in additional
- 19 buildings not necessary -- it would not be necessary to
- 20 expand this building in particular.
- 21 MEMBER WALKER: Very good. Thank you.
- 22 CHAIR HAND: It looks like you only got one
- 23 question. Good job. We appreciate you making your
- 24 presentation this afternoon.
- MR. GALUZZI: Thank you., Members, for your

- 1 planning for the State Office Building Complex, Capitol
- 2 Complex. Next slide. Here is a preliminary site mapping 3 of the proposed structures along with a 250,000 square-
- 4 foot surface parking area. And for the first phase of
- 5 the future Capitol Complex greenbelt, you also see that
- 6 portrayed here in this picture, we're also including the
- 7 preserving of the historic gym structure as shown on the
- 8 slide. Very small, but there it is. These buildings
- 9 will house and consolidate current State agencies of
- 10 various agencies that are in leased spaces around the
- 11 City of Carson. All of them are going to be located, of
- 12 course, all within the Capitol Complex, promoting greater
- 13 efficiencies as well as cost savings for the State.
- 14 Next slide. Here are just a few details of
- 15 the project. We note that the buildings are being
- planned to be constructed at the present Northern Nevada
- 17 Children's Home Site. And as you can see in the slide,
- 18 we're proposing a \$7.5 million-dollar planning budget for
- 19 the project.
- Next slide. This project here is ranked 17th
- 21 in your binder. 17th. Here we have a planning project
- 22 that will include a new HVAC system, site sanitary sewer
- 23 piping upgrade for the Pittman Building. Next slide.
- The project will include updating temperature controls

5 and will be backed by a feasibility study and a lifecycle

- 1 cost analysis to ensure that we get the maximum usage
- 2 allotted the building.
- Next slide. The next project is ranked 25th
- 4 in your binder. 25th. This project will provide
- drainage improvements at the Stewart facility. Next
- slide. The project will address storm water that does
- not adequately exit the site during storm events. And
- you may recall the Stewart Street facility is situated on
- 9 the 110-acre campus with over 50 buildings that the State
- 10 acquired or took up ownership in the early 1980s.
- Next slide. This project here is ranked 28th 11
- 12 in your binder. It is an upgrade to the Marlette Lake
- 13 Water System. Next slide. The project will provide a
- 14 pipeline that will connect the diversion dam to the saw
- 15 mill site and lake view tank which in turn will terminate
- 16 at the Carson City connection point. Nice graphic. That
- 17 shows you the overall schematics of what we're proposing.
- 18 Next slide. In addition, the project will include the
- 19 installation of conduits for future fiberoptic
- 20 communication lines as well as necessary easement
- 21 acquisitions so that we can facilitate the expansion of
- 22 the project.
- Next slide. Next I'd like to highlight just
- 24 a few key construction 2025 CIP projects. Next slide.
- 25 This project here is ranked number one in your binders.

- 1 construction and improvements for seven buildings or
- 2 seven additional buildings, I should say, will all be
- 3 move-in ready for various agencies. These locations are
- 4 convenient to much of the staff's I mean -- sorry -- much
- 5 of the State's workforce staff in the Las Vegas area, and
- 6 they're easily accessible to and from the Harry Reid
- 7 International Airport.
- Next slide. The project has a total budget
- 9 of \$150 million dollars providing for an additional gross
- 10 square footage of just over 444,000 square feet which
- 11 calculates, believe it or not, to just \$34 a square foot.
- 12 The buildings were constructed between the years 1987 and 13 2007.
- 14 Next slide. This project is ranked 7th in
- 15 your binder. This project will provide rehabilitation
- 16 upgrades to the Marlette Lake Water System. Next slide.
- 17 The project will provide additional funding for the full
- 18 completion of the project scope and escalation all the
- 19 way up until spring 2026. Just want to add that the
- 20 Hobart Dam is part of the Marlette Lake Water System.
- 21 Next slide. This project is 24th in your
- 22 binder. This is another exciting project for us. The
- building was built in 1891 -- I think you heard that said
- 24 by the tourism group ahead of us -- as a pavilion for the
- 25 Ormsby County Agricultural Society Organization

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- 1 Number one. This is a continuation of CIP 23C30 which
- 2 provided funding for the design and construction of the
- 3 130,000 square-foot office building. It would include
- 4 funding for the FF&E portion of the project. Next slide.
- 5 The total budget number of approximately \$6.9 million
- dollars will stay the same. Next slide. This project
- here is ranked number two in your binder. The project
- will purchase an existing office building in Reno,
- Nevada. 9
- Next slide. This office building located at 10
- 11 10375 Professional Circle in Reno is being recommended
- for purchase. The purchased building will provide 79,248
- square feet of office space for State agencies. Some of
- those agencies are already occupying leases in the 14
- building. 15

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- Next slide. This project is ranked third in 16
- your binder. As our third-ranked project, we're 17
- particularly excited about this one. It is the State
- office building purchase and improvements in Las Vegas.
- Next slide. This project's slide shows the current
- 21 footprint of buildings we purchased the McCarran Center
- in Las Vegas. The red buildings are occupied by the
- 23 State of Nevada, and the blue buildings are occupied by
- Next slide. This project for the purchase of 25

the Legislative Council Bureau, LCB.

- 1 Association. I'll get it right. The remodeling will
- 2 provide valuable office space within the Capitol Complex
- 3 and bring the building up to current seismic code
- 4 requirements.
- Next slide. This is a continuation of CIP 23
- 6 PO1 which is a planning project. Next slide. This
- project here is ranked 26th in your binder. It's the
- Blasdel Building. The project will design and demolish
- the Blasdel Building. Next slide. The building was
- originally constructed in 1957. It was estimated from
- the facilities condition needs index that the ratio of
- repairs to the replacement value would exceed 50 per
- percent. This is the point where building replacement
- should be considered. Now the Blasdel Building falls
- 15 above the 50 percent mark.
- 16 Next slide. This project here is ranked 30th
- in your binder. Finally, this is my last project to
- present. It's the Solar Photovoltaic Array System at the
- Stewart Street. Currently, there is approximately
- 335,000 square feet of building area at this location.
- 21 Next slide. This project supports the intent of Senate
- Bill 254. The project budget is based on a 600-kilowatt
- system and approximately 1,200 kilowatt hour of battery
- storage. The project will install a ground-mounted

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- So with that, I want to turn the presentation 1
- 2 over to Brian Wacker, Deputy Administrator, and Brian
- 3 will handle the second half of our presentation covering
- 4 maintenance projects as well as statewide programs for
- our 2025 CIP.
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Thank you. So good 6
- afternoon. For the record, my name is Brian Wacker. I'm
- the Deputy Administrator of Professional Services for the
- State Public Works Division.
- So like Administrator Lewis mentioned, I'm 10
- 11 going to start with the Department of Administration
- maintenance projects. So instead of going project by
- 13 project, I'd like to present the Administration's 19
- 14 maintenance projects in summary form, and I know I'm
- going in summary, so I am a happy to slow down too and 15
- answer questions as we're going as the Board would like.
- So where I would like to start is talking 17
- 18 about actually the first two projects under this. So
- please turn to project number five on the list. So this
- project is the building repairs West Plaza Replacement, 20
- 21 the Nevada State Library and Archives in Carson City.
- This is a \$12.4 million-dollar project to repair the
- 23 structure of the MSLA building damaged by water
- 24 intrusion.
- 25 This damage was uncovered when it began or

- 1 maintenance requests by the Department of Administration.
- 2 If you look at that summary -- I found it. So if you
- 3 look at this sheet, you'll see that there is other
- 4 funding for our projects that represents highway funding
- 5 for projects located at DPS and DMV facilities.
- So next slide. The second page of the
- 7 summary lists five further projects, and the total
- 8 request by the Department of Administration for
- 9 maintenance totals \$43 million. So with that, I'd just
- 10 like to stop our maintenance projects and ask if the
- Board has any questions.
- 12 MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. First items in
- 13 Wil's presentation: Solar. What has been our experience
- 14 with the solar efficiency and the numbers we're getting
- 15 from solar? The numbers we're calculating, are those the
- 16 numbers we're experiencing?
- 17 DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the
- 18 record. Thank you for that question. I don't have those
- 19 numbers in front of us to know if the numbers we've
- 20 calculated have actually pencilled out for those
- 21 facilities. I could do some looking at that if you'd
- 22 like. I know we have photovoltaic systems in some other
- 23 administration facilities if you're curious.
- 24 MEMBER WALKER: I think that's a number we
- 25 should be watching throughout the State on their

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- 1 was uncovered when we began CIP project 23 C15 to do a 1 performance, and if they're not performing to get
- 2 tenant improvement at NSOA. As a result of the damage
- 3 uncovered, 23C15 pivoted to assess the building structure
- 4 and which resulted in this CIP request. Immediate safety
- concerns of the building have been addressed with
- temporary structural storing by Buildings and Grounds,
- but this project is critical to provide repairs for the
- 8 long-term health of the building.
- The next project I want to highlight is 9
- 10 number six in your binder. This is the chilled water
- 11 system improvements in the South Reno DMV. This project
- 12 replaces the existing chiller that was installed in just
- 13 2020 which has already seen multiple failures to the
- point where it needs to be replaced now.
- This chiller has the same equipment 15
- 16 configuration as the failed equipment at the Northern
- 17 Nevada State Veterans Homes in Sparks which also needs to
- 18 be replaced prematurely. You heard about that yesterday.
- 19 This equipment is thought to be appropriate when
- 20 installed but has since shown not to be appropriate for
- 21 our climate, so we are requesting to replace the chiller
- 22 now before a catastrophic failure leaves the DMV without 23 cooling.
- 24 So in all, there are 14 project requests on
- 25 the summary page that total \$32 million dollars of

- 2 whatever manufacturer, whatever aid we have in that
- 3 because I've heard mixed performances on a lot of these 4 solar installs.
- ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Wil Lewis, for the
- 6 record. We appreciate it, Member Walker, and we'll make
- 7 a note of that and provide some more information the next
- 8 time we meet with the Board.
- MEMBER WALKER: The second question is kind
- of is more of a general question. And from yesterday and
- 11 today, I keep hearing chillers, chillers. Lots
- 12 of chillers. Is there any way that we can come up with a
- 13 uniform type design, a uniform inspection on these, are
- 14 they living to their performance and a water quality
- testing procedure going into the chillers for the water
- quality to make sure it's not the water that we're
- introducing into the chillers that are having this effect 18 on the chillers?
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the 19
- 20 record. That's another excellent question. I know
- 21 chillers in many of our facilities are, you know, a
- 22 custom build, custom designed for the particular needs of 23 that facility. I know talking with the mechanical
- engineer, there's a multitude of different ways these
- 25 things can be put together. There's different options

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- 1 for redundancy, the loads, the climate of that particular
- 2 chiller is used in. So it's hard to have like a
- 3 standard, you know, piece of equipment we could use at
- 4 all State facilities. I could certainly ask the
- 5 question. It is a good question why we can't make it
- 6 simpler and easier for us to maintain long-term. So I
- 7 will ask that question of our engineering staff.
- And I think the question of, you know, the
- water quality going into the chillers is an excellent one
- 10 as well. We've had a couple of chillers on the list, and
- 11 we'll see it sometimes where they don't get to what you
- 12 think the expected life would be for that equipment which
- 13 is disappointing, right.
- I think we talked earlier today about well 14
- 15 you're asking, you know, how long is this project going
- 16 to last? And we want these things to last 20 years or
- 17 longer for many different reasons. And I know we have
- 18 water quality going into the equipment that's not what it
- should be that adversely impacts the life of it as well.
- 20 So that's something, you know, State Public Works does
- 21 not maintain many of these facilities unless of course
- 22 it's a Department of Administration facility. Then it's
- 23 Buildings and Grounds, which is part of the Division. So
- 24 it's hard for us to control that everywhere, but it's
- 25 something we really should track at the State to make

- 1 standardize and to have a benchmark level of performance
- 2 what we want from our mechanical systems.
- Secondly, now that we're starting to acquire
- 4 more properties, we're going to perform a needs
- 5 assessment program for all of these buildings where we'll
- 6 track that kind of documentation so that we can make sure
- what we design is actually performing to the standards
- that we're designing to. Thank you.
- MEMBER WALKER: I think that needs assessment
- 10 programming is critical for all of the new buildings and
- 11 new structures and to get ahead of these heating and air
- 12 conditioning functions, the air conditioning in Vegas and 13 heating in Elko. Within the State, we have two extremes.
- 14 and trying to bring together those two extremes into one
- 15 standard I know will be difficult, but any buildings of
- similarity, I would expect that. Thank you.
- CHAIR HAND: Member Hand, for the record. I
- 18 have a follow-up question on Roy's question, and that is
- 19 do the chiller manufacturers have any water quality 20 requirements on what's going in so that in order to be
- 21 able to exercise your warranty type of thing? Is there anything like that?
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the
- 24 record. Yes, there is. And I know that during our
- 25 construction projects -- and I was talking about water

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- 1 sure we've got proper maintenance on this equipment.
- 2 It's expensive equipment.
- MEMBER WALKER: On new construction, do we 3
- 4 track lifecycle for our major mechanical components?
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the
- 6 record. So like are you asking like do we track how it's
- performed and make note of that or just do like a cost
- analysis for it?
- MEMBER WALKER: Well, I'm concerned to the
- 10 variety of the systems in all of our buildings yet they
- 11 all do the same function, so I'm looking for the
- efficiency of components and the efficiency of
- 13 standardization from building to building, chiller to
- chiller. And I understand it's all different, but some
- type of efficiency through design that will bring about a
- similarity in our mechanical systems throughout the 16 State. 17
- ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: So Wil Lewis, for the 18
- 19 record. Again, another excellent point, excellent
- question, Member Walker. I know in my conversations with
- 21 the mechanical team that they work with our design
- professionals to ensure a certain standard that is met.
- There are two things I want to bring up. So 23
- 24 we have our project managers, especially our mechanical
- 25 engineers working with our design professional to

- 1 quality testing overall for, you know, long-term
- 2 maintenance of facilities, an agency has to do that. But
- 3 as part of our construction projects, we do have some
- 4 water quality tests, and that's part of our construction
- process and we will also look at some maintenance type
- contracts and appropriate with the agency just to help
- ensure that the chiller is maintained properly for a
- while. And I do know that yes, the water quality can
- impact a warranty just like any system that's not
- maintained correctly can impact the warranty.
- 11 CHAIR HAND: Member Hand, for the record.
- Thank you, Brian. Maybe if these are buildings though
- that the chillers are being replaced on, rather than it
- sounds like that's a new sort of a new construction process, but if these are buildings that the chillers are
- being replaced on, are you looking at the water quality
- before you install a new chiller?
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Yes, we are. That is 18
- 19 part of the design process. That is something we
- absolutely do. 20
- CHAIR HAND: Thank you. If I may, just the 21
- 22 10375 Professional Circle in Reno, where is that located?
- ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Wil Lewis, for the 23
- 24 record. It's right off the 580. You can literally see
- 25 the building from the 580. And again, I'm a Southern

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- 1 Nevada boy, so I can't tell you the exact exit to take,
- 2 but it's close to Double R Gateway, those major streets.
- 3 Brian?
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: So Brian Wacker, for
- 5 the record. It's located just south of South Meadows and
- 6 so in between South Meadows and the Damonte Ranch exits.
- Just to the east side of the freeway, there's a business
- park there in the Double Diamond area.
- CHAIR HAND: Okay. Thank you. I just was
- 10 that was purely out of curiosity. And then I had one
- other question. Where did it go here? Number 20. Oh, I
- 12 know. Oh, I know. On number 30, it's the solar and back
- to the current federal administration's push in reducing 13
- carbon and all of that good stuff. Are there any
- opportunities to get grants to do that?
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the 16
- 17 record. That's another good question. This is another
- project that would lend itself to a grant funding source.
- 19 and that is something we could look at for a project like
- this. We have not looked at a grant for this currently. 20
- 21 CHAIR HAND: I'd encourage you to. Thank
- 22 you.
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the 23
- 24 record. Thank you for those questions. I think let's
- 25 continue with our presentation.

- 1 Thirty-two projects have been requested within this
- 2 program by State agencies. \$16.6 million of these
- 3 projects are State funded, and the remaining \$1.1 million
- 4 military project is 50 percent federally funded.
- The statewide ADA program, project 502,
- corrects ADA and accessibility deficiencies at State
- facilities as required to meet the needs of clientele and
- 8 to decrease the State's exposure to accessibility
- liabilities. There are 14 project with a total of \$7.9
- 10 million of State funding and \$614,000 though of highway
- 11 funding requested by State agencies within this program.
- The statewide fire and life-safety program,
- 13 project 503, installs new and provides upgrades to fire
- 14 alarm and fire suppression systems within State
- 15 facilities. 25 projects have been requested within this
- 16 program by State agencies. \$23.3 million of these
- 17 projects are State funded. Three projects totaling \$9
- 18 million are 50 percent federally funded.
- The statewide advanced planning program, 19
- 20 project 504, provides \$2.6 million of funding for studies
- 21 and programming to support development of future capital
- 22 improvement programs.
- The statewide paving project 505 maintains 23
- 24 pavement surfaces at State facilities. Proper
- 25 maintenance extends pavement longevity and provides safe

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- So the last thing I need to cover with you 1
- 2 are our statewide programs, and I want to start with just
- 3 a background on these. So for your information,
- statewide projects combine multiple project scopes into a
- single produced CIP project. This strategy allows State
- Public Works to manage smaller projects more efficiently
- through internal budget adjustments within the larger.
- It provides the ability to take on emerging projects when appropriate, and finally, it allows us to commence
- identified projects without waiting for the next biennium 10 11 if budgets allow.
- So with that, I'd like to start with the
- 13 first statewide roofing or statewide program. That's
- 14 listed in your binder as project 501. And luckily after
- that, we'll just keep going in order. If it helps, 15
- 16 that's page 855 in your binder. So simply put, the
- statewide roofing program replaces roofs on State
- 18 buildings. We like to say the watertight buildings are
- 19 essential to protect buildings systems from weather
- 20 damage. So know that projects with differing funding
- 21 sources on this and upcoming statewide projects are
- 22 separated for accounting purposes.
- So the next project in the binder, project 23
- 24 501 for the combined support maintenance shop in Carson
- 25 City, is shown separately because of its funding source.

- 1 surfaces for State employees and the public. There are
- 2 22 projects requested within this program by State
- 3 agencies. The first 18 of these projects request \$6.8
- 4 million of State funding. The remaining four projects
- 5 request \$1.8 million of federal funding.
- The statewide indoor air quality and
- 7 environmental program, project 506, provides mitigation
- 8 of asbestos, led, mold, water quality and indoor air
- quality in State facilities. Three projects have been
- 10 requested in this program for \$302,000. Risk management
- provides \$100,000 funding for the first project to
- 12 address emergent needs in the next biennium.
- 13 The statewide elevator program, project 507,
- repairs and upgrades elevators in State facilities. So
- this is a new statewide program State Public Works is
- pursuing this session. We found that elevators are a
- critical life-safety element in buildings. This program
- will support these critical projects as well as provide
- proactive maintenance of elevators in the upcoming
- 20 biennium. Eight projects have been requested within this
- program by State agencies. The first six of these
- 22 request \$7.4 million dollars of State funding. The
- 23 remaining projects request \$3.2 million dollars of highway funding.
- 25 Next, the statewide building official

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- 1 program, project 509, provides authority for State Public
- 2 Works to accept fees from other agencies for plan or
- 3 review inspection services on non-CIP projects. This
- 4 project request is for \$4 million of agency funding and
- 5 provides State Public Works authority to receive these
- 6 funds and provide services to other State agencies upon
- 7 request.
- 8 Last project, the statewide building move
- 9 program, project S10, provides \$1.8 million dollars of
- 10 funding for State Public Works staff to coordinate State
- 11 office moves and State-owned and State-leased facilities.
- 12 So this is another new statewide program request, and we
- 13 think it is important due to the amount of times our
- 14 office has spent supporting State office moves. As a
- 15 reminder, State Public Works is a fee-based agency, and
- 16 this project gives us the ability to bill for time spent
- 17 on this work. So that concludes my presentation, and
- 18 we'll stop again for questions.
- 19 MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. On your ranking
- 20 509 for your \$4 million-dollar slush fund, from what has
- 21 been asked of us in the last two days is almost \$3
- 22 billion dollars. What we're going to settle on is
- 23 substantially less. But say it is cut in third to a
- 24 billion dollars. In your slush fund would be four-tenths
- 25 of a percent of that billion dollars. So how do you do

- 1 to the other State agencies when they come for this and
- 2 remove this from our budget and have them come up with
- 3 this budget?
- 4 DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the
- 5 record. We do have a fee. We have a fee listed, and I
- 6 believe it's in our NAC. And so we do list a fee and
- 7 those are the amounts that they pay. This program --
- 8 actually, this project actually just provides a spot in
- 9 the State budget accounting system for that fee to come
- 10 into, so we do use our listed fees.
- MEMBER WALKER: So we're back to this chest
- 12 that you have.
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Correct. But yeah, I
- 14 see what you're saying. But the \$4 million dollars,
- 15 because it's agency funded, does not actually get any
- 16 funds until an agency pays the building permit fee. So
- 17 when this project goes through the session, there's no
- 18 funding actually given to the project.
- 19 It's a -- I guess that's what I was trying to
- 20 use the word authority because we'll talk about, you
- 21 know, when we fund a typical project, you know, we'll say
- 22 bond but we'll say cash. We're going to have cash or
- 23 money in that project to do the project, and then we'll
- 24 talk about on the other side authority to go do something
- 25 that doesn't actually have any cash or funding associated

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- 1 emergency reaction on a billion-dollar budget at \$4
- 2 million dollars? It seems like it's an insignificant
- 3 amount trying to do some major work. So is there some
- 4 rationale to that number?
- 5 DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the
- 6 record. Thank you for that question. So on this
- 7 project, the statewide building official program, this
- 8 funding, the \$4 million dollars of funding is actually
- 9 just it's just for our construction inspection staff to
- 10 do inspections at other State agencies as they do
- 11 construction. And the \$4 million dollars that you see in
- 12 the book is agency funded. So if UNR is doing a
- 13 construction project outside of the CIP, which they often
- 14 do with their own funding, they will apply for a building
- 15 permit to do that work from State Public Works. Building
- 25 permit to do that work from State 1 done works. Dunding
- 16 permit comes with a fee paid to our agency and provides
- 17 funding for our staff to go do the inspections.
- This project merely just provides like
- 19 authority for us to sever that funding. The \$4 million
- 20 dollars listed in the book is based off of historical
- 21 average of just historical amount that we've used that
- 22 project in the past. That's just an authority project.
- MEMBER WALKER: So further clarification. If
- 24 other State agencies are coming to us to go do their
- 25 inspections, why wouldn't we have a fee of actual costs

- 1 with it. This project is an authority-only project for
- 2 us. There's no cash attributed to it during the session.
- 3 MEMBER WALKER: So does this mean Joy really
- 4 has to watch you close?
- 5 DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Yes, As always.
- 6 MEMBER WALKER: Thank you.
- 7 DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: I hope that helped.
- 8 MEMBER BENTLEY: I have one thing. Clint
- 9 Bentley, for the record. One thing that I'd like to
- 10 address before we close up here, and that's on especially
- 11 where the State is becoming their own owner on more and
- more buildings, I think it behooves us to establish a
- 13 written preventative maintenance system for these types
- of systems, the HVAC systems, the roofing systems.
- They don't have to be one you pull out of a
- 16 book. They need to be one that's realistic that works so
- 17 that we are doing preventative and not reactive and it
- 18 saves us a lot of money in the long run.
- 19 ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Wil Lewis, for the
- 20 record. Vice-Chair Bentley, excellent point. Excellent
- summation again. That is our intent. We recently hired a deputy administrator at Buildings and Grounds, Kent
- 23 Choma, engineer by profession, and that's his main charge
- 24 is to develop an asset management program and then we'll
- 5 be able to track those type of expenditures. And you're

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- 1 right. We want to be more proactive rather than
- 2 reactive. Thank you for that point.
- MEMBER BENTLEY: Thank you.
- 4 DIRECTOR GRIMMER: Joy Grimmer, for the
- 5 record. I just wanted to thank the Public Works Division
- for all that you did putting on our Board meeting for us.
- DEPUTY ADMIN WACKER: Brian Wacker, for the
- 8 record. Thank you so much. We appreciate the Board's
- time as well these last two days.
- 10 MEMBER LEWIS: Kevin Lewis, for the record.
- 11 I want to thank you gentlemen for all of the work and
- 12 input that you put in. I know this is a large
- undertaking and putting it in such a concise and
- 14 informative manner. We appreciate your time and your
- 15 effort. Thank you.
- ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Administrator Wil 16
- 17 Lewis. Thank you for that expression, Member Lewis. One
- of the things that I appreciate about the board you all
- guys are helping us with the heavy lifting, so many of
- 20 the comments and questions that you brought up with
- 21 various agencies is going to greatly help us moving
- 22 forward and servicing and being able to support these
- agencies. So thank you again for your hard work as well.
- 24 MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. I'd like to
- 25 discuss some new business and during these past two days,

- 1 Lewis, for the record. I appreciate those expressions,
- 2 Member Walker, and I wholeheartedly agree. I think as we
- 3 continue to change our DNA in the State and the deficit
- 4 that we have of square footage need in the State that
- 5 modular type of structures, structures that are more
- 6 flexible, will help us.
- And I appreciate the challenge that you're
- 8 putting in front of us. As Public Works, we should start
- 9 to develop some of the metrics that we can sit down with
- 10 agencies and start to help them bridge that gap. So duly
- 11 noted. We appreciate your comments and your expressions.
- CHAIR HAND: Chairperson Hand, for the
- 13 record. I just have a couple of things. One of them was
- 14 the statewide programs. You've added one to move for
- 15 moving, and that makes a lot of sense but hopefully that
- 16 won't be on the agenda or we won't see a lot of money in
- 17 there in the future, right, after this next year or two.
- 18 That's just a sort of a general comment.
- 19 And we do have an agenda item to talk about
- 20 of the items we'd like to talk about in the future, so
- 21 we'll get there. And so I'll leave it at that until we
- go to the next agenda item. Thank you. 22
- 23 And the next agenda item is 13, and it is
- 24 Board comment and discussion. So it's Board comments on
- 25 any agenda items, and this is our chance to get items in

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- 1 just some comments. And I think there's a department
- which is Department of Wildlife, that when they are
- 3 requesting new offices, I believe these new offices can
- 4 be modular. The storage spaces can consist of
- containers, container offices, some kind of uniqueness
- that we can get to them in an expeditious manner by not
- going through all of the State red tape to service this.
- 8 I think they're very unique in their requests and we
- 9 where they're at due to all of their remoteness. They
- 10 didn't have their expansion numbers because they're
- 11 consolidating areas, but some way to give them a leg up
- on their issues that they have. And I think this is just
- 13 unique to the wildlife department.
- 14 Public-private partnerships including
- 15 modulars or modular office type things which would
- 16 increase their expandability, but to begin to look at
- that. And I don't know what it would take to start 17
- 18 moving that idea or philosophy forward, but I'd like to
- 19 see this start to move forward with specific departments
- 20 that have this remoteness and seem to get ignored by when
- 21 we use our priorities, they come at the end when there
- 22 isn't any money. But if we can reduce their requests to
- 23 something that is in an everyday personal budget range, I
- 24 think we can do that department a lot of good. 25
 - ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Administrator Wil

- 1 front of the Administration so that we have them on the 2 table for future meetings. And so and I had jotted some
- 3 down based on our conversations along the way, and I can
- 4 save those to the end and maybe you guys will save most
- 5 of them or somebody's passionate about something and
- 6 would like to go first.
- MEMBER BENTLEY: Clint Bentley, for the
- 8 record. Maybe since you already have a list if you go
- 9 over yours and then if we've missed anything that any of
- 10 us have, then we can bring them back up.
- CHAIR HAND: All right. So the items that I
- 12 had jotted down, and again this is over the last two
- 13 days, one is construction versus maintenance. And we've
- seen I mean, I've been on the Board since '16 and, you
- know, Tito's been here forever. So if you go back the
- 16 further we go back in time, maintenance becomes a bigger
- 17 and bigger and bigger issue.
- 18 And really, there's sort of a question around
- 19 maybe in my head about we see all of these projects that
- 20 are construction projects that are really maintenance to
- 21 buildings, right? They're big dollar projects. And I
- know that the sort of commitment to maintenance has gone
- up over time. But does that need to be looked at
- differently? We had that funding model. We haven't gone
- 25 back and looked at that. And this ties into also is

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- 1 there potentially a funding model that might be different
- 2 so there's even more maintenance funds available in the
- future. That's sort of two items in one there. Okay.
- And I'll just sort of run through these as
- 5 things to be talked about. Lighting projects. There's a
- 6 lot of lighting projects, and many of the presentations
- that we're going to get rid of fluorescent bulbs and go
- to LED and what's the return on those investments? Is it
- 9 really, you know, they say it's going to save us money.
- 10 Is it really going to save us money? And you probably
- 11 have a model and you're probably looking at that, but we
- 12 never heard anything about it's going to save us this or
- 13 that or some other amount, so it would be good to hear
- 14 those numbers so that again, we have some sense of what
- 15 they are.
- The cost -- we talked about this a little bit 16
- 17 throughout the last two days just sort of off the record,
- but the costs in different places, right, inflation, we
- 19 clearly know inflation is a big issue, right? But, you
- 20 know, there are costs for I don't know, metal buildings
- 21 at \$4- or \$500 bucks a square foot. 1,700 square-foot
- 22 building one stuck in my mind, it was \$500 and something
- 23 bucks a square foot. Really, really big numbers. And so
- 24 it might be helpful for us to better understand why those
- 25 numbers are what they are. Is it just inflation or are

- 1 good-looking building. But what I've seen through
- 2 architecture there's I believe a tremendous architectural
- 3 build and costs coming and then and even more
- 4 construction cost coming. I think the architecture, the
- 5 imagination of the architects should be in a practical
- 6 mode not who can get the finest design mode, so I'd like
- 7 to see architecture start becoming more standardized and
- 8 with less frill that the State is paying for.
- CHAIR HAND: Any other thoughts from members?
- 10 Well, the next item on the agenda is public comment. And
- 11 it doesn't look like there's anybody in the room, so we
- 12 can pass on that one. But before adjourning, I want to
- again thank you all for the great work that you did. We
- 14 know this is a huge lift for you guys. We know that
- there was a lot of change. It was a big year for you to
- 16 be doing this, and there's been a lot of change, so thank
- you again all for your hard work. And we really
- appreciate all that you do.
- 19 We're asking these questions not because we
- 20 don't think you're doing a good job. We're again you
- guys are doing a great job. We just have questions to
- keep you up a little bit. Thank you.
- 23 ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Wil Lewis, for the
- 24 record. Did we get an opportunity to -- Did we skip the
- 25 Administrator's report?

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- 1 there other drivers?
- I'm going to give Clint credit for this one.
- 3 These aren't my ideas. These are just things that we've
- talked about along the way, but Clint asked the question
- with all the challenges with Ely, would it be wise to
- just close Ely and go to is it Warm Springs? Go to Vegas
- or Henderson or wherever it was because if we're not
- going to get over the issue of being able to get enough
- people in Ely, why continue to invest in Ely. I know
- 10 prisons cost -- extremely costly to build, so that's a 11 question.
- Oh, we had an invitation to go visit Stewart. 12
- And maybe the next time we have a Board meeting in 13
- Carson, we could go visit the Stewart facility. I was
- fortunate enough to do that when it was completed. That 15
- was during COVID. And we didn't get to do it as a group, 16
- but it really was time well spent. 17
- And the last thing on the list is having a 18
- 19 better understanding of A and E and Public Works budgets
- in our packets. So what did I miss, guys? 20
- MEMBER WALKER: Roy Walker. I haven't 21
- totaled up the costs for architecture, design yet. I 22
- 23 will do that before the September 17th meeting. And I'm
- noticing in the drawings, in the architectural conceptual
- drawing we're getting, I believe the State should have a

- CHAIR HAND: Boy. I might be removed from
- the Board. My apologies. So item 12. I went right past
- 3 our agenda there. Again, item 12 on our agenda is
- Administrator's Report on agency activities, and I
- apologize for skipping that item. And thank you for
- 6 helping me recognize that.
- ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Administrator Wil
- 8 Lewis, for the record. I promise you I'll be short and
- sweet, but I'd like to at least just cover just three
- areas for the Board. And again, I would like to
- 11 entertain some comments after I finish.
- Three areas: Our current workload, our
- 13 recently completed projects, and then our staffing
- status. Those three areas. Let me take that first one.
- Currently, we have 327 active projects being managed by
- our project managers. Our Buildings and Grounds
- department has handled 9,625 work orders during fiscal
- year '22 and 8,150 work orders during fiscal year '23.
- The building inspection department has processed 2,604
- inspections in fiscal year '22 and 2,754 inspections in
- 21 fiscal year '23.
- In addition, we are continuing to reduce the
- 23 amount of leased space square footage in non-State owned
- 24 buildings. As of July 2024, we had 284 total leased
- 25 properties in the State for a total of 2,226,390 square

- 1 feet. We're housing 8,606 employees in leased spaces, so
- 2 you can see we've really got our hundred dollars full.
- 3 So far we've purchased over \$1.2 million
- 4 worth of office and warehouse space, and we're set to
- 5 purchase another 900,000 square foot in the next
- 6 biennium. To kind of give you a little perspective, let
- 7 me get into our second area. As part of our overall
- 8 vision statement, the Grant Sawyer office building
- 9 remodel project has been scrapped and the purchase of the
- 10 McCarran Center is now the reality of us moving forward.
- 11 I'm so pleased to report that we've
- 12 successfully relocated the Governor's Office, the
- 13 Lieutenant Governor's Office, the Secretary of State, and
- 14 the Attorney General, but we've got the Attorney General
- 15 and Secretary of State being slated to move at the end of
- 16 September. And every month, we're adding more and more
- 17 agencies that we're relocating. Tremendous effort.
- 18 Second, our completed projects. In spite of
- 19 relocating our two main offices both in Carson and Las
- 20 Vegas for Public Works, our staff continues to do a
- 21 tremendous job managing and maintaining the demands of
- 22 our workload. You're going to see how that comes into
- 23 play a little later. We've completed 42 projects in
- 24 fiscal year '22, 31 projects in fiscal year '23, and
- 25 currently we're on pace to exceed those two numbers.

- 1 challenge for us. But as a division, we're running at a
- 2 vacancy rate of 18 percent. That's down from the last
- 3 time we presented at the CIP we were at 30 percent, so
- 4 now we're down to 18 percent. We're going in the right
- 5 direction. And I'm optimistic that we're going to even
- 6 bring that number down even further. And it's not
- 7 because we're not a great place to work. Trust me. It's
- 8 not because of that. Rather, it's because it's hard to
- 9 find qualified people.
- I was so glad in one of the colleges that
- 11 came up and said that they're starting a program, an
- 12 architectural program up north. We need it in order to
- 13 find qualified professionals up here in the Carson area,
- 14 and we're also having to compete with higher salaries in
- 15 the public sector. So putting that altogether, you can
- 16 see we've got our work cut out for us, but we can see a
- 17 little bit of a path getting through it. And that
- 18 concludes my report. I'd be glad to answer any questions
- 19 you have.
- 20 MEMBER BENTLEY: Clint Bentley, for the
- 21 record. I just wanted to reiterate what Chair Hand said
- 22 a little earlier. I want to thank you and your staff for
- 23 the professional way that you handled the presentations
- 24 and the work and everything for us. It was a pleasure to
- 25 be here and do this work for the two days. Thank you.

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- 1 This past year, we were so happy to take this
- 2 Board on a tour of our recently completed engineering
- 3 building at UNLV, and we're looking forward to another
- 4 invite. We'd like to take you on a tour of the Marlette
- 5 Lake project as well as the Silverada Ranch DMV down
- 6 south when those projects are completed. So we've got
- 7 plans for you.
- 8 The Silverada Ranch DMV is a 737,000
- 9 square-foot facility. It sits on 20 acres. It's located
- 10 in the southern portion of the Vegas Valley. It's a
- 11 \$96.5 million-dollar facility that's going to include
- 12 such things as classrooms, service stations, customer
- 13 service stations, testing spaces, offices and waiting
- 14 areas. That facility is going to help alleviate much of
- 15 the congestion that we see happening at the DMVs in the
- Vegas area, and we heard a little bit about that and how
- they were trying to provide shade structures for peoplewaiting in long lines.
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- 19 Third area: Staffing. We have continued to
- 20 have a challenge with staffing. We've made some stride
- 21 in the past six months, but we've also had our fair share
- 22 of setbacks, and that's because we've had members being
- 23 promoted to higher positions. We've had other staff
- 24 members who have left the Division to pursue career
- 25 opportunities, and so staffing continues to be a

- ADMINISTRATOR LEWIS: Wil Lewis, for the
- 2 record. Chairman Bentley, we've got good people. That's
- 3 all I can say. We've got good people. Thank you.
- 4 CHAIR HAND: Chairperson Hand, for the
- 5 records. Now that -- I'm wondering. To get back to the
- 6 proper place of the agenda again, I apologize, the last
- 7 item on the agenda is public comment, and obviously
- 8 nobody is here, so we'll pass public comment and I'll ask
- 9 for a motion to adjourn.
- 10 MEMBER BENTLEY: Clint Bentley. I'll make a
- 11 motion that we adjourn this meeting in Carson City.
- 12 CHAIR HAND: Can I get a second?
- MEMBER LEWIS: I have a second. Kevin Lewis,
- 14 for the record.
- 15 CHAIR HAND: And all in favor, please say
- 16 aye.
- 17 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 18 CHAIR HAND: Opposed? Seeing none, the
- 19 motion carries. And we're done for the day. Thank you 20 all.
- (The hearing concluded at 3:52 p.m.)
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         I, NICOLE J. HANSEN, Official Court Reporter for the
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    State of Nevada, State Public Works Division, do hereby
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