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RE: Nye County Population Estimates Through the First Quarter, 2008

Interested Parties

I am pleased to bring you population estimates through the first quarter of 2008 (March 31, 2008) for Nye County and its communities prepared by the Nye County Planning Department. Please note that these estimates have been benchmarked to the year 2000 Census through our recalibrated spreadsheet, and are considered "Census Consistent."

Our estimates indicate that the population of Nye County at the end of this period was 46,773 and the population of our communities—as defined by Nye County's procedures—was as follows:

• Pahrump	38,817
• Amargosa Valley	1,393
• Beatty	1,052
• Tonopah	2,903
• Smoky Valley	1,765
• Gabbs	386
• Reese River Valley	117
• Northeast Nye	340

Note that there are now zero (0) persons permanently residing on the Nevada Test Site (NTS) and Tonopah Test Range (TTR) as was determined by the 2000 Census. Our spreadsheet uses only active residential customer data from the various electrical utilities multiplied times the average number of persons per household (per the Census) for each area, which have been scaled to the estimated number of households per residential electrical meter (example: Gabbs—for the first quarter, 2000—had 168 residential hookups times 2.37 persons per household times .958 [95.8 households per every 100 residential meters] = 381 population).

For this recalibration we have also converted the quarterly count of persons in group quarters (e.g., nursing homes and detention facilities) to a trending factor that was indicated over the previous decade. These trended counts will now be monitored on an annual basis by conducting annual telephone interviews to measure consistency.

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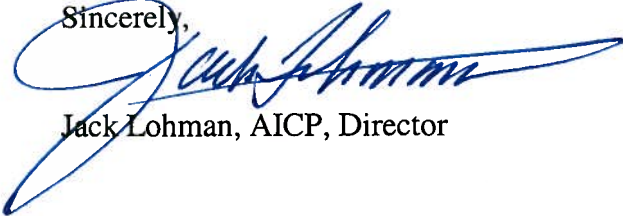
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Nye County uses its population estimates to monitor and assess baseline conditions for the Yucca Mountain Project, to prepare baseline projections for the County and its communities, to provide a basis for comparison with the estimates of others, and for public and private agency planning and management purposes. Nye County's procedure uses formulas benchmarked to the 2000 Census of Population and Housing; and these formulas include factors that, for each Nye County community, relate utility connection counts to the number of households and persons per household.

Should you have any questions or require additional information please contact me.

Sincerely,



Jack Lohman, AICP, Director

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Attachment as noted

"CENSUS CONSISTENT" POPULATION ESTIMATES FOR NYE COUNTY AND ITS COMMUNITIES											
Community	2005Q3	2005Q4	2006Q1	2006Q2	2006Q3	2006Q4	2007Q1	2007Q2	2007Q3	2007Q4	2008Q1
NYE COUNTY	42,226	43,197	44,437	44,580	45,223	45,703	46,041	46,427	46,762	46,850	46,773
In Households	41,912	42,875	44,106	44,248	44,886	45,362	45,698	46,081	46,414	46,501	46,425
In Group Quarters	314	322	331	332	337	341	343	346	348	349	348
Percentage Growth per Quarter	1.9%	2.3%	2.9%	0.3%	1.4%	1.1%	0.7%	0.8%	0.7%	0.2%	-0.2%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	6.6%	7.7%	9.2%	7.5%	7.1%	5.8%	3.6%	4.1%	3.4%	2.5%	1.6%
NORTHERN NYE COUNTY	5,413	5,394	5,401	5,482	5,519	5,522	5,469	5,477	5,490	5,528	5,511
In Households	5,183	5,159	5,159	5,239	5,273	5,273	5,218	5,224	5,235	5,273	5,256
In Group Quarters	230	235	242	243	246	249	251	253	255	255	255
Percentage Growth per Quarter	1.4%	-0.4%	0.1%	1.5%	0.7%	0.1%	-1.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.7%	-0.3%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	0.8%	0.4%	1.0%	2.7%	2.0%	2.4%	1.3%	-0.1%	-0.5%	0.1%	0.8%
GABBS	374	367	372	376	372	383	383	386	401	388	386
In Households	374	367	372	376	372	383	383	386	401	388	386
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	-1.8%	-1.9%	1.4%	1.1%	-1.1%	3.0%	0.0%	0.8%	3.9%	-3.2%	-0.5%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	0.5%	-1.9%	-0.5%	-1.3%	-0.5%	4.4%	3.0%	2.7%	7.8%	1.3%	0.8%
REESE RIVER VALLEY	111	111	111	111	111	114	114	114	114	114	117
In Households	111	111	111	111	111	114	114	114	114	114	117
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	-2.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	-2.6%	-2.6%	-2.6%	-2.6%	0.0%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%	0.0%	2.6%
SMOKY VALLEY	1,716	1,716	1,698	1,745	1,778	1,780	1,757	1,767	1,765	1,773	1,765
In Households	1,716	1,716	1,698	1,745	1,778	1,780	1,757	1,767	1,765	1,773	1,765
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	1.1%	0.0%	-1.0%	2.8%	1.9%	0.1%	-1.3%	0.6%	-0.1%	0.5%	-0.5%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	-2.1%	-0.6%	-0.1%	2.8%	3.6%	3.7%	3.5%	1.3%	-0.7%	-0.4%	0.5%
TONOPAH	2,897	2,883	2,899	2,917	2,924	2,905	2,877	2,870	2,868	2,911	2,903
In Households	2,667	2,648	2,657	2,674	2,678	2,656	2,626	2,617	2,613	2,656	2,648
In Group Quarters	230	235	242	243	246	249	251	253	255	255	255
Percentage Growth per Quarter	1.6%	-0.5%	0.6%	0.6%	0.2%	-0.6%	-1.0%	-0.2%	-0.1%	1.5%	-0.3%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	2.2%	0.6%	1.3%	2.4%	0.9%	0.8%	-0.8%	-1.6%	-1.9%	0.2%	0.9%
NORTHEAST NYE COUNTY	315	317	321	333	334	340	338	340	342	342	340
In Households	315	317	321	333	334	340	338	340	342	342	340
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	7.1%	0.6%	1.3%	3.7%	0.3%	1.8%	-0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.0%	-0.6%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	7.1%	7.8%	8.4%	13.3%	6.0%	7.3%	5.3%	2.1%	2.4%	0.6%	0.6%
SOUTHERN NYE COUNTY	36,813	37,803	39,036	39,098	39,704	40,181	40,572	40,950	41,272	41,322	41,262
In Households	36,729	37,716	38,947	39,009	39,613	40,089	40,480	40,857	41,179	41,228	41,169
In Group Quarters	84	87	89	89	91	92	92	93	93	94	93
Percentage Growth per Quarter	1.9%	2.7%	3.3%	0.2%	1.5%	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%	0.8%	0.1%	-0.1%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	7.5%	8.8%	10.5%	8.3%	7.9%	6.3%	3.9%	4.7%	3.9%	2.8%	1.7%
BEATTY	1,080	1,090	1,090	1,104	1,118	1,120	1,125	1,133	1,091	1,068	1,052
In Households	1,058	1,067	1,067	1,081	1,094	1,096	1,101	1,109	1,067	1,043	1,028
In Group Quarters	22	23	23	23	24	24	24	24	24	25	24
Percentage Growth per Quarter	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%	1.3%	1.3%	0.2%	0.4%	0.7%	-3.7%	-2.1%	-1.5%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	0.7%	1.4%	-0.9%	2.2%	3.5%	2.8%	3.2%	2.6%	-2.4%	-4.6%	-6.5%
AMARGOSA VALLEY	1,323	1,351	1,362	1,369	1,365	1,365	1,379	1,386	1,383	1,395	1,393
In Households	1,323	1,351	1,362	1,369	1,365	1,365	1,379	1,386	1,383	1,395	1,393
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	0.5%	2.1%	0.8%	0.5%	-0.3%	0.0%	1.0%	0.5%	-0.2%	0.9%	-0.1%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	3.8%	4.7%	5.7%	4.0%	3.2%	1.0%	1.2%	1.2%	1.3%	2.2%	1.0%
PAHRUMP	34,410	35,362	36,584	36,625	37,221	37,696	38,068	38,431	38,798	38,859	38,817
In Households	34,348	35,298	36,518	36,559	37,154	37,628	38,000	38,362	38,729	38,790	38,748
In Group Quarters	62	64	66	66	67	68	68	69	69	69	69
Percentage Growth per Quarter	2.0%	2.8%	3.5%	0.1%	1.6%	1.3%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	0.2%	-0.1%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	7.9%	9.2%	11.0%	8.6%	8.2%	6.6%	4.1%	4.9%	4.2%	3.1%	2.0%
NTS & TTR Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0