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### Removal of Hazardous Waste Debris from Fernley Flood Area to Begin

The State of Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is working together with the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, Lyon County, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to start the first phase of hazardous debris removal from the area affected by the Fernley canal break flood in Lyon County.

Officials are setting up curbside collection for removing Household Hazardous Wastes (HHW) and damaged white goods (refrigerators, washers and dryers) from homes in the affected area. This service is only available to those affected by the flood.

This effort is being conducted free-of-charge to protect the health of residents, clean-up crews and the environment. Household hazardous waste and white goods must be handled separately from other flood damaged debris and may not go into landfills. Residents are strongly urged to segregate all hazardous waste and white goods for curbside pickup. Pickup times for HHW and damaged white goods will be announced later this week.

Affected residents are asked not move any household hazardous waste in damaged containers. If they need assistance in identifying or moving household hazardous waste, they may call the City of Fernley Hotline at (775) 784-9859. Any dangerous condition involving hazardous waste should be immediately reported to the North Lyon County Fire Dispatch by calling 911.

Household hazardous waste includes: unused or leftover portions of products used in your home that contain toxic chemicals. Products labeled *Caution, Warning, Danger, Poison, Toxic, Flammable* or *Corrosive* are considered hazardous.

Some examples of Household Hazardous Wastes that will be removed include:

- Aerosols
- Antifreeze
- Auto Batteries
- Auto Fluids
- Disinfectants
- Fertilizer
- Latex / Oil-Based Paint
- Pesticides
- Pool Chemicals
- Propane Tanks - less than 30 gallons
- Solvents
- Used Oil and Oil Filters

For more information, please call the City of Fernley Hotline at: **(775) 784-9859**.