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State launches wood stove rebate program to improve air quality

CARSON CITY, Nev. — The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Bureau of Air Quality Planning has launched a voluntary wood stove change-out program in the Carson City and Douglas County areas. The program provides rebates ranging between \$600 and \$1000 to homeowners to remove their pre-1992 wood stoves and replace them with new, clean-burning EPA-certified wood, pellet, or gas stoves installed by a licensed contractor. The goal of the program is to reduce unhealthful fine-particulate emissions from old wood-burning stoves and to improve air quality in the Carson City and Douglas County communities.

“It’s a win-win program,” explains NDEP Administrator, Colleen Cripps. “Newer stoves produce more heat, use less wood and reduce fine particulate emissions that adversely affect our air quality.”

Participating local wood stove retailers will work with the University of Nevada, Reno’s Business Environmental Program to make instant rebates available to qualifying homeowners. Residents of Carson City and Douglas County need only apply at participating wood stove retailers. The retailers will verify that the resident’s old stove qualifies, provide the instant rebate, install the new stove, remove and recycle the old stove and do all necessary paperwork. During this first year of implementation, approximately 250 rebates will be offered.

“I hope consumers act quickly; the rebates are limited and only available on a first-come, first serve basis,” said Chris Lynch, director of the UNR Business Environmental Program. “This is an exciting rebate program that will help clean the air in Carson City and Douglas County.”

For more information about the program, or to apply, visit unrbep.org or call 775-834-3674.

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