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Blue Ribbon Commission to finalize recommendations to increase Southern Nevada's gasoline and jet fuel supply

The Blue Ribbon Commission to Improve the Reliability of Southern Nevada's Fuel Supply will conduct its final meeting from 9 to 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 20. This month's meeting will take place at McCarran International Airport.

The 12-member panel of government and business leaders was created by the Clark County Board of Commissioners in September 2005. Its members have since met on a monthly basis to discuss the limits of the local fuel supply network, and examine ways to bring more gasoline and jet fuel to the Las Vegas Valley and its environs.

Blue Ribbon Commission members will review and complete their summary report on Friday. Their findings and final recommendations are scheduled to be presented before the Clark County Commission on Nov. 21.

The two pipelines that carry nearly all of Southern Nevada's fuel supplies were built in the 1960s when the local population was less than 70,000. Clark County is now home to more than 1.7 million residents and the nation's fifth-busiest passenger airport. If growth continues at its recent rate, the existing pipelines could reach capacity before the end of next year.

Blue Ribbon Commission members include Randall H. Walker, Director, Clark County Department of Aviation; Rossi Ralenkotter President/CEO, Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority; Carl Linvill, Energy Advisor, Nevada State Office of Energy; Chief Master Sgt. Ray Campbell, Nellis Air Force Base; Scott Andrews, Vice President of Marketing, Harrah's Las Vegas; Rose McKinney James, Managing Principal, McKinney-James & Associates; Kathryn Landreth, Nevada State Director, Nature Conservancy; Sean Higgins, General Counsel, Terrible Herbst; John Haycock, Chairman/CEO, Haycock Petroleum; Kevin Tourek, Associate General Counsel, Wynn Resorts; Roberto Denis, Senior V.P. Generation & Energy Supply, Nevada Power Co.; and Rob Myrben, Vice President of Fuel Management, Southwest Airlines.

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Editors Note: Friday's meeting will be held in the Commissioner's Meeting Room located on the fifth floor at McCarran International Airport.

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