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MEMBERSHIP

NALS membership continues to remain strong. As of June 1st, NALS has 273 paid members.

CONFERENCES

The 2027 Conference which will be held in conjunction with CLSA on April 3-6 in Reno, Nevada.

NALS is excited to participate in the next Western Regional Survey Conference in 2028 and is already contracted for 2029 to be back in Reno at the Silver Legacy.

EDUCATION UPDATE

NALS is pleased to share that Wayne D. Cottrell, Ph.D. has joined Great Basin College as a Land Surveying/Geomatics Instructor. Great Basin College's program is offered fully online, making surveying education accessible to working professionals and students throughout Nevada and beyond. [Click here to learn more about the GBC program.](#)

College of Southern Nevada (CSN) continues to build its four-year degree program. NALS Member Sean Corkill recently started teaching the Legal Descriptions class.

With programs at both Great Basin College and the College of Southern Nevada, Nevada is fortunate to have four-year surveying degree opportunities serving both the northern and southern parts of the state, along with a fully online option accessible from anywhere.

ALTERNATE PATH TO LICENSURE & PLSS EXAM

In 2024, the NALS Board of Directors established an ad hoc committee to study Nevada's current path to licensure, licensing trends, and data related to the number of licensed professional land surveyors in the state. Following a two-year review process, the committee finalized its recommendations and presented them to the NALS Board of Directors. After consideration, the Board voted to support the creation of an alternative path to licensure designed to provide additional opportunities for qualified individuals to enter the profession while maintaining appropriate standards for education, experience, and competency. The NALS Board also adopted a position recommending that implementation of the proposed PLSS examination module be tabled for the time being, allowing additional time to evaluate its necessity, potential impact, and relationship to Nevada's existing state-specific examination requirements.

Both recommendations have been formally forwarded to the Nevada State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors for consideration.

NEVADA TRAVERSE

NALS continues to publish the Nevada Traverse four times a year. The current and all archived issues are available on the NALS website at: http://nvlandsurveyors.org/nevada_traverse.html
NALS members have exclusive access to a searchable index of the archive.

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY – BOARD CONSOLIDATIONS

Nevada continues to move toward increased centralized oversight of occupational licensing boards under the Department of Business & Industry (B&I). However, R074-25 was rejected by the Legislative Commission in September. The regulation would have established a standardized oversight framework for Nevada's 34 occupational licensing boards through B&I's Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards.

NALS will continue monitoring developments closely as the 2027 Legislative Session approaches, particularly for proposals affecting NVBPELS, board autonomy, or professional licensure.

LEGISLATION – 2022 DATUM

The Board of Registration has agreed to sponsor the legislation NALS has drafted to address the 2022 Datum. Stakeholder meetings have been held without objections reported.

CHAPTERS

Chapters also continue to hold regular monthly meetings and participate in outreach events.

Chapter schedules are available on the NALS website event calendar.

OUTREACH

Outreach remains a main focus of NALS.

In addition to engaging with young people directly, NALS continues to target Career Technical Education (CTE) professionals. A full list of NALS outreach activities will be published in the next Nevada Traverse.