

## CAUCUS MEMO Strip Caucus Eligibility & Delegate Allocation Date: August 23, 2019

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The Nevada State Democratic Party is committed to increasing voter access to the Democratic caucuses on February 22, 2020, and has developed an aggressive plan to promote and engage its diverse population to attend the caucuses. Shift workers and hospitality employees are a significant part of Nevada's Democratic community, largely employed in Clark County on a 7 day per week, 24-hour shift rotation.

There is a strong tradition in Clark County of facilitating the participation of shift workers in our unique "24/7" economy. Such accommodations have historically included "non-traditional" times and locations for polling sites easily accessible to shift workers. In planning the caucuses, it is important to recognize the inherent difficulty for shift workers to return to their home precinct in order to participate in their precinct caucus. Please find information regarding Strip Caucus eligibility and delegate apportionment below. The Nevada State Democratic Party will release additional information regarding Strip Caucus locations when applicable.

## Strip Caucus Eligibility:

- Strip Caucus precincts are open to all shift workers within a 2.5 mile radius of a Strip Caucus precinct location.
- Shift workers include union workers, nonunion workers, construction workers, gas station attendants, restaurant workers, and others.
- In order to participate, shift workers must work during or within 1 hour of the 10:00 a.m. registration time or the 1:00 p.m. estimated end time.
- Shift workers will be required to bring their Employer Identification Card or badge to their assigned Strip Caucus location.
- Shift workers will sign a declaration stating that they could not attend their home precinct caucus because they worked during or within one hour of the designated caucus start time.



## Strip Caucus Delegate Apportionment:

The NSDP will use the following process, which has been used in all previous caucuses to apportion delegates to Strip Caucus sites. The apportionment of delegates for Strip Caucus precincts shall be as of **November 1, 2019.** Delegate allocation to each Strip Caucus precinct shall be determined and published to the state party's website no later than **January 15, 2020**.

The number of delegates for each precinct caucus location is determined by a formula that takes into account both average Clark County precinct size and Democratic registration, then allocates delegates to Strip Caucus Precincts relative to each precinct's previous performance from 2016.

## This formula will first determine a "Base Pooled Population" for Strip Caucus Precincts, according to the following formula:

(Number of Registered Voters in the largest precinct in Clark County as of 11/1/19)  $\times$ (Democratic Registration percentage in Clark County as of 1/1/16)  $\times$ (Number of Strip Caucus Precinct Locations) = Base Pooled Population

The Base Pooled Population number will then be multiplied by the share of each Strip Caucus precinct's attendance in 2016. This number will then be divided by 50 — per the NRS guidelines for Clark County — to determine the number of delegates given to each Strip Caucus site.

(Base Pooled Population) × (2016 share of total Strip Caucus participation) 50 =

Delegates per Strip Caucus Precinct

In cases where sites from 2016 are consolidated, the share of the two consolidated sites shall determine that site's share of the Base Pooled Population. In cases where a site has been added from 2016, the Base Pooled Population shall be multiplied by the average 2016 participation share, then divided by 50 to determine the number of delegates from that Strip Caucus precinct.