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Investigative Unit to Survey Storm-Damaged Areas and Inform Victims

The Nevada State Contractors Board (NSCB) Proactive Enforcement team will be visiting the flood-ravaged areas of Mesquite, Overton, and Logandale. Investigators from the Board will be out in the communities to make contact with homeowners who have suffered storm damage to inform them of their rights and the benefits of hiring only licensed contractors.

Often after a disaster, unlicensed contractors will prey on victims seeking repairs. The Contractors Board warns homeowners to be wary of door-to-door solicitations to perform those repairs.

The Nevada State Contractors Board licenses and regulates contractors throughout the state and makes information available to consumers that will help ensure their rights are protected. Consumers may contact the Board to check if the contractor they are considering has a license in good standing by calling (702) 486-1100 or visiting www.nscb.state.nv.us.

The Board has recently initiated the Proactive Enforcement program to conduct random checks of construction sites for unlicensed activity. Within the last four months, the Proactive Enforcement Unit has identified and filed criminal charges against 155 unlicensed contractors.

Unlicensed contracting is a crime. NRS 624 makes contracting without a license a Misdemeanor for the first offense, a Gross Misdemeanor for the second offense, and a Class E Felony for the third offense. Anyone with information about unlicensed activity can call the NSCB Special Investigations Unit Hotline at (702) 486-1160.

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