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Re:

Martha Tapia <mtapia@lyon-county.org>
To: Alicia norris <aknorris1972@gmail.com>
Cc: Countyclerks@lyon-county.org

Wed, Jul 1, 2026 at 9:46 AM

Good morning,

Your comment has been received and will be available for the meeting tomorrow.

Thank you.

Martha Tapia

Administrative Assistant
Lyon County Manager's Office
27 S. Main Street
Yerington, NV 89447
775-463-6531, option 6

On Wed, Jul 1, 2026 at 6:07 AM Alicia norris <aknorris1972@gmail.com> wrote:

No new data centers I have lived in Lyon County for over 30 years and I do not want to Data Center we do not need more people coming into our rural communities to live when we do not have current housing for them nor do we need to use what little resources we have for a building that does not help our community

Thank you
Alicia Norris



Brandi Lathrop <blathrop@lyon-county.org>

Public comment

'Becky Masters' via County Clerks <countyclerks@lyon-county.org>

Wed, Jul 1, 2026 at 11:29 AM

Reply-To: Becky Masters <bmasters86@yahoo.com>

To: "countyclerks@lyon-county.org" <countyclerks@lyon-county.org>

To home may concern , we as the residents of Lyon county and your employers do not need data centers or large industries coming to our community. They will not benefit us at all.They will just hinder us by using our resources for surveilling us , we do not need any more surveillance or data gathering on the citizens, we do however, need it on our politicians and the people that are supposed to be taking care of our needs. Do not approve these.

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Planning commission public comment July meeting

'Bonnie' via County Clerks <countyclerks@lyon-county.org>

Tue, Jun 30, 2026 at 2:24 PM

Reply-To: Bonnie <bonniebobo@yahoo.com>

To: countyclerks@lyon-county.org

Dear planning committee,

Please do not have a data center in Lyon county. The water needed for this is much better used to grow food and agriculture that feeds animals. How many data centers are needed? We certainly do not need another one. In an area that already sees that water is precious. The water needed for this would be a huge detriment to the area. And the electricity usage would put a strain on already strained infrastructure. Please do not put in a data center here..Please. Please.

Think about the people. We do not want it.

Bonnie Swain

Lyon county resident

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Upcoming 7/14 Planning Commission

cb cummins <cumminsranh819@gmail.com>
To: countyclerks@lyon-county.org

Tue, Jun 30, 2026 at 4:36 PM

Hello,

I am writing to express my concern on the push for data centers in our beautiful desert.

Il would like to know:

How will water resources be protected?

What enforceable protections exist for residents?

How are cumulative impacts being evaluated alongside other industrial development?

As elected officials I shouldn't have to remind you who you represent

Thank you for your time.

Regards,

Christine Cummins

PUBLIC COMMENTS

JohnCJ Ainsworth <95johncj@gmail.com>
To: countyclerks@lyon-county.org

Tue, Jun 30, 2026 at 6:59 PM

I am requesting a temporary moratorium on all new data centers, zoning, permits and development. Lyon County needs to pause and draft strict land use regulations that protect Lyon County residents.

These massive facilities threaten local resources, strain the power grid, and disrupt neighborhoods, creating a need for a pause to update zoning and development codes and I respectfully request the commission evaluate the impact these data centers will have on Lyon County residents.

Water consumption: Depending on the cooling system, massive amounts of water is required for cooling. This could have an impact on local aquifers and water supplies.

Electric Rates: These facilities strain the local power grid. If Data Centers hook up to GreenLink, it could potentially drive up residential utility bills.

It is your duty, as commissioners, to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the communities you serve.

Noise pollution: Data center cooling fans and generators create constant industrial level noise that disrupts quiet neighborhoods and rural areas including the humming alone can effect nervous system disruptions.

Emissions and climate: The reliance on back up generators and fossil fuel heavy energy supplies contribute to pollution and work

against Nevada's climate goals.

Light pollution: These massive buildings put out excessive lighting therefore ruining our dark sky policy.

Jobs: Despite taking up hundreds of acres of land and using vast amounts of resources, data centers create very few long term, local jobs once construction is completed.

Data center facilities disrupt rural land, ecosystems and displace wildlife. Thus, I request a temporary halt on accepting new data centers applications so Lyon County can carefully review and update its land use code to implement sound assessment, setback requirements, impact studies of water usage and impact on local domestic and agricultural wells and water supplies.

The rapid, largely unregulated rise of data centers is disrupting to our community, threatening our environmental climate and water security. Therefore, there must be an immediate halt on new data centers until adequate regulations can be enacted to fully protect our communities, our families, our environment and our health from any damage this industry may impose on the population.

Thank you. CJ Ainsworth
Resident of Silver Springs, Nevada. 89429



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PUBLIC COMMENT

Katie Calhoun <CalhounKatie@outlook.com>

Tue, Jun 30, 2026 at 8:13 AM

To: "countyclerks@lyon-county.org" <countyclerks@lyon-county.org>

Opposition to Monarch Data Center Campus (PLZ-2026-041) – July 14 Meeting

Date: June 30, 2026

Reference No: PLZ-2026-041

Lyon County Board of commissioners,

My name is Katlynn Calhoun. I am a lifelong resident of Lyon County, Nevada. I am submitting this public comment on behalf of myself and over 2,000 fellow Lyon County residents who have signed a petition opposing the proposed Monarch Data Center Campus. We are not against responsible economic growth. However, we fiercely oppose a massive 4.6-million-square-foot industrial development that directly threatens our water supply, local wildlife, power grid, and the safety of our community members. First, this 1,000-megawatt project places an unprecedented strain on our finite local resources. Data center opposition is sweeping the country due to severe resource depletion. Lawmakers in states like Texas and California are actively sounding alarms because these facilities consume millions of gallons of water daily without transparent oversight. We cannot afford to risk the Mason Valley aquifer. Furthermore, data center cooling systems and water treatments are notorious for introducing hazardous chemicals—including PFAS, or "forever chemicals"—into local environments. Our community sits adjacent to crucial natural habitats like the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area, our local fish hatchery, and a nearby game ranch. Contaminated runoff or a chemical breach would cause irreversible ecological destruction to our water systems and the wildlife that depend on them. Second, we must address our infrastructure and public safety. Yerington is a small, rural town. Our roads are not built to absorb the heavy industrial traffic required to build and maintain 14 massive tech buildings. We are already in the midst of a local safety crisis. In just the past six months, Mason Valley has suffered multiple horrific traffic fatalities, including a double-fatal collision at SR-827 and SR-208 in April, and another fatal crash near 95A and Sierra Way. Our local emergency services are already stretched thin. Adding thousands of construction vehicles and commuter trips to our two-lane highways will undoubtedly lead to more tragedy on our roads. Finally, the impact on our power supply cannot be ignored. The 1,000-megawatt footprint of this project requires massive high-voltage systems and onsite natural gas backup generation. Across the U.S., data centers are causing skyrocketing utility expenses for local residents and strain on the grid. For these reasons, we urge the Board to protect the citizens, resources, and future of Mason Valley by denying the Monarch Data Center proposal. Thank you for your time and your consideration of our community's safety. Sincerely,

Katlynn Calhoun Lyon County Resident

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Data center

lisacgamet52@gmail.com <lisacgamet52@gmail.com>
To: countyclerks@lyon-county.org

Tue, Jun 30, 2026 at 11:46 PM

These giant data centers need more studies as to how much water and power they use. What kind of environmental impact they will have on surrounding communities and the noise they produce! I have read plenty of articles of how disruptive and harmful they are. Slow down on the application with the approval on this project until more research has been done.

Respectfully Lisa Gamet Dayton



Brandi Lathrop <blathrop@lyon-county.org>

Public Comment PLZ-2026-041(Monarch Data Center)

Matthew Winterhawk <winterhawk@w4nevada.com>

Tue, Jun 30, 2026 at 1:55 PM

To: County Clerks <countyclerks@lyon-county.org>

Commissioners and Planning Commissioners,

My name is Matthew Winterhawk, I am a Nevadan who regularly travels all throughout Lyon County and enjoy its beauty.

I respectfully ask that you continue this item and postpone any recommendation or approval until the public has been given a genuine opportunity to understand and participate in this decision.

This is not a routine zoning request.

This proposal includes approximately **505 acres**, a **1,000-megawatt data center**, **eight 8-story buildings**, a **500-megawatt battery energy storage system**, a **500-megawatt natural gas backup generation system**, a new electrical substation, high-voltage transmission infrastructure, and related industrial development.

Those are decisions that could shape Lyon County for generations.

Nevada law establishes minimum notice requirements, but minimum legal notice does not necessarily mean meaningful public participation for a project of this magnitude.

Most residents are not professional planners, engineers, attorneys, or developers.

We are parents.

We are ranchers.

We are small business owners.

We are teachers, veterans, retirees, and working families.

We do not spend our days monitoring every advisory board, planning meeting, engineering report, utility filing, or 500-page agenda.

The government knows that.

That is why transparency matters.

Many residents are only now beginning to understand how these projects connect together, power districts, transmission lines, substations, utility infrastructure, engineering contracts, and now a proposed 1,000-megawatt data center.

Residents should not have to assemble the future of their county one meeting at a time.

Before any recommendation or approval, I ask this Board to require the applicant and staff to publicly answer, in plain English:

- What is the complete buildout being planned?
- What is the total electrical demand?
- What is the total water demand?
- How will cooling be accomplished?
- What are the expected impacts on emergency services, roads, wastewater systems, and county infrastructure?
- What cumulative environmental and land-use impacts have been evaluated?
- What long-term responsibilities or costs could fall on Lyon County or its residents?
- What protections exist if the project changes ownership, fails, or expands beyond what is currently proposed?

If this project is truly beneficial to Lyon County, then it should withstand additional public review.

Transparency should never be viewed as an obstacle.

Public participation should never be treated as an inconvenience.

I respectfully ask that this matter be continued until broader public outreach has occurred, additional public hearings are held if necessary, and residents have had a meaningful opportunity to review and understand the full scope of this proposal before irreversible decisions are made.

The future of Lyon County deserves more than minimum notice.

It deserves maximum transparency.

Thank you.

Matthew Winterhawk



Brandi Lathrop <blathrop@lyon-county.org>

Re: Temporary moratorium

Martha Tapia <mtapia@lyon-county.org>
To: max wray <maxwray57@hotmail.com>
Cc: "countyclerks@lyon-county.org" <countyclerks@lyon-county.org>

Wed, Jul 1, 2026 at 9:34 AM

Good morning,

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Thank you.

Martha Tapia

Administrative Assistant
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On Tue, Jun 30, 2026 at 11:13 PM max wray <maxwray57@hotmail.com> wrote:

y **logging in**.

To: Countyclerks@lyon-county.org. I am requesting a temporary moratorium on all new data centers, zoning, permits and development. The county needs to pause and draft strict land use regulations that protect residents. These massive facilities threaten local resources, strain the power grid, and disrupt neighborhoods, creating a need for a pause to update zoning and development codes. I am requesting the commission evaluate the impact these data centers will have on Lyon county residents. Water consumption: Depending on the cooling system, massive amounts of water is required for cooling. What is and will be the impact on local aquifers and water supplies? Electric Rates: These facilities strain the local power grid. Are Data Centers going to hook up to GreenLink, potentially driving up residential utility bills? It is your duty as commissioners to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the communities you serve. Noise pollution: Data center cooling fans and generators generate constant industrial level noise the disrupts quiet neighborhoods and rural areas. Not to mention the humming you can't hear causing nervous system disruptions. Emissions and climate: The reliance on back up generators and fossil fuel heavy energy supplies contribute to our pollution and work against Nevada's climate goals. Light pollution: Will these massive buildings put out excessive lighting therefore ruining our dark sky policy? Jobs: Despite taking up hundreds of acres of land and using vast amounts of resources, data centers create very few long term, local jobs once construction is completed. Data center facilities disrupt rural land, ecosystems and displace wildlife. I request a temporary halt on accepting

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Meloney Wray
Stagecoach



Brandi Lathrop <blathrop@lyon-county.org>

PUBLIC COMMENT

Meredyth Keast <mwkeast@gmail.com>

Wed, Jul 1, 2026 at 2:33 PM

To: countyclerks@lyon-county.org

Dear Lyon-county Board,

Please do not pass or continue with any ordinances or permits that continue data centers or geenlink projects. These projects need more time to be vetted and waiting to see how this relatively new technology works out in other areas would be to our community's benefit. . The Walker River area should have another environmental impact done. I have heard that data centers in other states that have been near rivers have in some cases dried up the rivers. If this has any possibility of being true this must be looked into. It is particularly sad that our agricultural area in Mason valley might be impacted. I do not see the human need for data centers. I don't care about the tax revenue and I don't think the money to our schools is significant even though I have family in school here. I have heard the jobs created are temporary if they even use our locals. What is the 10 or 20 year job maintenance record for locals with either the greenlink or data centers? I don't see any benefit. Only harm. Please represent the people not corporations. Ecotourism is where I believe we could capitalize as a county as well as maintain an emotionally and physically healthy county for our upcoming generations.

Sincerely,

Meredyth Keast
Lyon-County Resident



Brandi Lathrop <blathrop@lyon-county.org>

Data centers

'Nancy Calvert' via County Clerks <countyclerks@lyon-county.org>

Wed, Jul 1, 2026 at 2:48 PM

Reply-To: Nancy Calvert <nvdesertdreamer@aol.com>

To: countyclerks@lyon-county.org

To whom it may concern, please do not allow data centers without a comprehensive background and understanding of the environmental impact these centers bring. They rely on very few people to get the vote passed on them being allowed without the years of documentation, water usage, electricity usage and what demands that electricity will be for who gets to run their ac in the summer or do we have to sacrifice for them. We need to ensure our county for the future. Our farmers and our local people deserve our water long before a data center. Thank you Nancy Calvert



Brandi Lathrop <blathrop@lyon-county.org>

Planned Unit Development— Tenative PUBLIC COMMENT

Nellie Davis <sawabemuhano@gmail.com>

Wed, Jul 1, 2026 at 11:27 AM

To: Countyclerks@lyon-county.org

Hello, my name is Nellie Davis, I am an enrolled member of Walker River Paiute Tribe and Nevada Native. I'm writing this public comment to strongly OPPOSE the development of any data centers in the state, rural county or urban city. These developments severely compromise the wellbeing of our communities and the natural world. Living in a desert, water is the most precious resource we have and it's have been shown time and time the impact data centers have on water quality and quantity is negative. Water is life. I'm calling on leadership to consider investments not in haste current technological or financial opportunities, but the future of our children and grandchildren. What land and quality of life are we leaving them with the decisions we make today? Please do not move forward with the development of data centers in our state. Protect what's most important- the land and people we love!

Nellie Davis
775-354-5667



Brandi Lathrop <blathrop@lyon-county.org>

No data centers

'Phyllis Hiskett' via County Clerks <countyclerks@lyon-county.org>

Tue, Jun 30, 2026 at 8:51 AM

Reply-To: Phyllis Hiskett <phyllee@aol.com>

To: countyclerks@lyon-county.org

My name is Phyllis Hiskett. I too am voicing my opinion regarding the proposed Monarch Data Center. I cannot word it any better than Katie Calhoun did. So to repeat many of her comments.

We are over 2,000 Lyon County residents who have signed a petition opposing the proposed Monarch Data Center Campus. We are not against responsible economic growth. However, we fiercely oppose a massive 4.6-million-square-foot industrial development that directly threatens our water supply, local wildlife, power grid, and the safety of our community members. First, this 1,000-megawatt project places an unprecedented strain on our finite local resources. Data center opposition is sweeping the country due to severe resource depletion. Lawmakers in states like Texas and California are actively sounding alarms because these facilities consume millions of gallons of water daily without transparent oversight. We cannot afford to risk the Mason Valley aquifer. Furthermore, data center cooling systems and water treatments are notorious for introducing hazardous chemicals—including PFAS, or "forever chemicals"—into local environments. Our community sits adjacent to crucial natural habitats like the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area, our local fish hatchery, and a nearby game ranch. Contaminated runoff or a chemical breach would cause irreversible ecological destruction to our water systems and the wildlife that depend on them. Second, we must address our infrastructure and public safety. Yerington is a small, rural town. Our roads are not built to absorb the heavy industrial traffic required to build and maintain 14 massive tech buildings. We are already in the midst of a local safety crisis. In just the past six months, Mason Valley has suffered multiple horrific traffic fatalities, including a double-fatal collision at SR-827 and SR-208 in April, and another fatal crash near 95A and Sierra Way. Our local emergency services are already stretched thin. Adding thousands of construction vehicles and commuter trips to our two-lane highways will undoubtedly lead to more tragedy on our roads. Finally, the impact on our power supply cannot be ignored. The 1,000-megawatt footprint of this project requires massive high-voltage systems and onsite natural gas backup generation. Across the U.S., data centers are causing skyrocketing utility expenses for local residents and strain on the grid. For these reasons, we urge the Board to protect the citizens, resources, and future of Mason Valley by denying the Monarch Data Center proposal.

I live in the north end of Mason Valley and have fear of our well being affected by this project. We don't want to live in fear everyday waiting for something to happen then to sue for reparations. That is not why we live in our beautiful little valley. In addition, does anyone remember why we were called Greenfield before Yerington. Let's not lose that reason for living here.

Thank you for your time and your consideration of our community's safety.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Hiskett - Lyon County Resident

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Brandi Lathrop <blathrop@lyon-county.org>

URGENT: Deep Concerns Regarding Tribal Water Impacts of the Monarch Data Center

Stacy Hicks <stacyhicks000@gmail.com>

Thu, Jul 2, 2026 at 6:10 AM

To: countyclerks@lyon-county.org

Dear Lyon County Board of Commissioners,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed 1,000 MW Monarch Data Center project in the Mason Valley. As a concerned stakeholder, I am deeply troubled by the lack of downstream tribal consultation and the irreversible, compounding ecological risks this project poses to regional water systems—specifically the Walker River, Walker Lake, and the Lahontan watershed.

The desert hydrology of northern Nevada links Yerington directly to the sovereign lands and water rights of local Indigenous nations. This project threatens these critical resources in several ways:

- 1. Undermining Walker River Recovery:** The Walker River Paiute Tribe has worked tirelessly for decades to restore flows to the Walker River and halt the ecological collapse of Walker Lake. Securing water rights and infrastructure for a data center of this magnitude directly locks up water resources that are desperately needed to restore natural flows, protect tribal fisheries, and honor regional conservation efforts.
- 2. Downstream Risks to the Lahontan Basin:** Industrial developments that threaten local groundwater tables create cascading risks across connected aquifers. Depleting or risking contamination of regional groundwater directly threatens the subsurface and surface flows that feed downstream systems, which the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe relies upon.
- 3. The Power-Water Nexus:** A 1,000 MW demand will drastically strain our energy grid. Meeting this load forces regional utilities to ramp up power generation, which draws heavily on water-cooled energy systems and regional river infrastructure. This indirect water footprint further reduces the water available to flow naturally into tribal lands.

Decisions made in Lyon County do not stop at county lines. Proceeding with this project without robust, government-to-government consultation with the Walker River Paiute Tribe, Yerington Paiute Tribe, the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe, and other downstream tribal communities is a failure of local governance and environmental justice.

I urge the Board to halt further permitting for the Monarch Data Center until a comprehensive, independent environmental and hydrologic impact assessment is conducted—one that fully evaluates the direct and indirect impacts on tribal water rights and sacred regional ecosystems.

Thank you for your time and serious consideration of this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Stacy Hicks