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### Unemployment Recipients May Qualify for State Extended Benefits

Unemployed workers who have exhausted their regular state unemployment and federal emergency unemployment compensation may now be eligible for State Extended Benefits (SEB).

“Individuals who have exhausted Federal Emergency Unemployment Compensation may be eligible for up to 13 weeks of State Extended Benefits” said Cynthia Jones, deputy director for the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation and Employment Security Division administrator.

DETR has identified the claimants who are eligible for the State Extended Benefits (SEB) program and will mail application packets to them as they become eligible.

The packet explains eligibility requirements, filing instructions, includes weekly claim forms and information about work search requirements, Jones said.

The week ending February 28, 2009 is the first claimable week. Those who return the application will receive a monetary determination proscribing their claim duration and benefit amount.

“Everyone who receives unemployment benefits is required to actively search for employment,” Jones continued. “However, the job search rules are even more stringent under the State Extended Benefit Program. Claimants must submit documentation of their weekly work search with their weekly claim before State Extended Benefits can be paid.”

State Extended Benefit claims cannot be filed by telephone or through the internet; all claims must be filed by mail at present. DETR will mail out manual checks the week of March 9, 2009 for those who qualify for benefits. State Extended Benefit (SEB) programming is scheduled for completion on or about Monday, March 23, 2009, and

benefits will be issued thereafter through the claimants preferred method of payment: debit card or check.

All applications for State Extended Benefit Claims will be reviewed, processed and backdated when appropriate.

“Through the stimulus package, Nevada qualifies to have the federal government reimburse the state for payments of the State Extended Benefits,” Jones said.

To access the most current information regarding SEB, please visit our website at: [www.expressclaim.org](http://www.expressclaim.org).



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