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**Northwest Regional Transportation
Planning Organization
(NWRTPO)**

AGENDA PACKET

**RTPO Technical/Policy
Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

10:00AM – 2:00PM

San Juan Fire Operations Center

209 S. Oliver Drive, Aztec, NM



Special Thanks to San Juan County

Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

RTPO Technical/Policy Committee Meeting

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

10AM – 2PM

San Juan County Fire Operations Center
209 S. Oliver Drive, Aztec, NM

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Introductions.....Dave Deutsawe, *NWRTPO Vice Chair*
- II. Agenda – Review & Approval.....Dave Deutsawe
- III. Minutes of 05/10/17 – Review & Approval.....Dave Deutsawe

ACTION ITEMS: [Following Actions will be made as the NWRTPO Policy Committee]

- IV. Review & Approval of Regional Transportation Plan updates.....Robert Kuipers, NWRTPO Staff

DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION ITEMS:

- V. NMDOT 2018 Rail Plan Update.....Dave Nelson, NMDOT Transit & Rail Division
- VI. NWRTPO Regional Work Program Status Report.....Robert Kuipers, NWRTPO Staff

VII. Reports, Updates & Announcements:

- A. RTPO Report: Regional News & Updates.....Robert Kuipers
- B. Local Member Issues, Reports & Updates.....NWRTPO Members
- C. State DOT Reports
 1. Planning/Government-to-Government Unit (Wade Patterson)
 2. Tribal Liaison (Ron Shutiva)
 3. District 5 (District 5 Staff – Stephen Lopez)
 4. District 6 (District 6 Staff – JoAnn Garcia)
 5. Santa Fe Administration /Central Regional Division

VIII. New Business/Open Floor – Members & Guests

- **Orientations:** Schedule RTPO Orientations for San Juan County, Cibola County and Pueblo of Zuni
- **Title VI / ADA Status:** It appears that all our member governments are now in the clear!
- **Meeting Schedule:** RTPO member govt. representatives – please confirm reservation of your location for the date specified in our public notice for NWRTPO meetings – May, 2017 – April, 2018; as the public notice has gone out!
- **NMDOT Statewide 5310 & 5311 Public Transportation Awards Announced:** sent to RTPO members 5/19/17
- **Updated Member Roster and Contact lists** – distribute at today's meeting
- **Key Issues for Regional Transportation Plan:** So far only Dave Deutsawe has responded

IX. Review Calendar & Announcements / Training & Funding Opportunities

- FHWA Office of Planning, Environment & Realty – Human Environment Digest: emailed to members 5/15 and 6/5, 2017
- Govt. to Govt. Updates: Weeks of 5/15/17 (TAP training – **Laguna** – 7/5/17 @ DOT Dist. 3 Auditorium in Albuquerque) and 5/29/17 – emailed to members as they came out
- National Park Service – Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program – technical assistance for trails development emailed to members 5/16/17 – applications due 6/30/17
- McKinley Road Forum: June 13 at the El Morro Theatre & Event Center, 207 W. Coal Ave., Gallup, NM
- National Regional Transportation Conference: June 28 – 30, 2017, Denver, Colorado
- TAP Training: for awarded projects (Laguna as cited above) 7/5/17 – DOT Dist. 3 Auditorium, Albuquerque
- Snapshot of Special NM Legislative Session: handed out at this meeting

X. Next Meetings

- **July 12** – Chu Chu's Restaurant, 1344 Hwy 53, Zuni, NM
- **August 9** - Laguna Public Works Dept., I-40 Exit 114 to NM124 Roundabout, then east on Old Rt. 66, left on L55 Rodeo Road, north to first parking lot, Pueblo of Laguna, NM
- **September 13** – Pueblo of Acoma Tribal Auditorium, 33 Pinsbaari Drive, Acoma, NM

XI. Adjournment



NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization

Joint Policy & Technical Committee NWRTPO Meeting Minutes

Wednesday May 10, 2017

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

NMSU Small Business Development Center
701 E. Roosevelt, Grants, NM

ATTENDANCE:

Local & Tribal Governments:

Pueblo of Acoma	Dave Deutsawe
Pueblo of Laguna	Lucianne Riley
Pueblo of Zuni	Royce Gchachu (<i>excused</i>)
Navajo Nation	Eastern Navajo - Vacant Larry Joe – Northern Navajo (absent)
Ramah Navajo	Joe Sanchez (<i>excused</i>)
Farmington MPO	Vacant at this time
City of Grants	Paul Pena
City of Gallup	Stan Henderson, (<i>excused</i>)
Village of Milan	Jack Moleres
Cibola County	Anna Larson (<i>Gary Porter, Rita Montano – cited under guests</i>)
McKinley County	Jeff Irving
San Juan County	Nick Porell [<i>excused</i>]

Technical Agencies:

New Mexico Department of Transportation:	G-2-G Unit: Wade Patterson (<i>excused</i>) DOT District 5: Michael Baca (for Stephen Lopez) DOT District 6: Bill Santiago DOT Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva DOT – LTAP: DOT Admin:
Bureau of Indian Affairs	TTP:

NWRTPO Administration:

Northwest Regional Planning Organization	Robert Kuipers, Carrie House
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Guests: Gary Porter, Rita Monano – Cibola Road Dept.

TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 5 Members, 1 alternate member, 3 NMDOT, 2 RTPO Staff,
2 guests, TOTAL: 13

- I. **Call to Order and Introductions:**.....Jeff Irving, NWRTPO Chair
 - Jeff Irving called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM, welcomed those in attendance, and proceeded with introductions and approval of agenda and minutes. The meeting was hosted by the City of Grants with special thanks for coffee, snacks and lunch provided.

- II. **Review & Approval of Agenda:**.....Jeff Irving, NWRTPO Chair
 - No discussion or changes to the agenda were made.
 - Motion to approve agenda made by Dave D. - Acoma seconded by Jack M. - Milan, all in favor, none opposed.

- III. **Approval and Review of Minutes for April 12, 2017 Meeting:**.....Jeff Irving, NWRTPO Chair
 - There were minor changes recommended by Acoma.
 - Motion to accept meeting minutes with the documented changes made by Paul P. - Grants, seconded by Anna L. - Cibola, all in favor, none opposed.

ACTION ITEMS: *[Following Actions will be made as the NWRTPO Policy Committee]*
No Action Items scheduled for this meeting

DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION ITEMS:

- IV. **NWRTPO Regional Work Program Status Report:**.....Robert Kuipers, NWRTPO Staff

BACKGROUND
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Why? Due to a NMDOT Office of Inspector General (OIG) Audit and subsequent findings NWRTPO and COG staff met with NMDOT Planning Bureau staff to develop a corrective action plan (CAP).• Purpose. As part of our CAP RTPO staff will provide monthly reports showing line item budget expenditures and staff hours in comparison with the approved Regional Work Program (RWP) Budget.• Discussion/Finalization. Based on this monthly analysis and report, staff will better manage time and funding investment, and assess where and when to seek a RWP amendment if needed.

CURRENT WORK
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RTPO staff met with NMDOT staff on 12/7/16 to review a draft corrective action plan, detailing specific actions and controls in a number of areas to assure stronger compliance to the RWP budgeted time and financial allocations.• The Corrective Action Plan has been finalized and is now being executed.• RTPO Staff have provided reports at monthly meetings: January – March 2017• In quarter 2, RTPO staff submitted Amendment #1 to modify our hours per function and annual RTPO FFY17 budget, as approved by the RTPO Committee (February 2017). A copy of the FHWA/NMDOT approval of this amendment is attached.

ANTICIPATED WORK
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ongoing reports to the NWRTPO members at monthly meetings.• RWP amendment requests may be anticipated, as time and budget demands may vary as the fiscal year progresses.• Our annual Quality Assurance Review (QAR) is also set for April 12, which will provide a good check-up on how the RTPO is performing.

ATTACHMENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RWP & Budget Monthly Report.• RTPO Amendment Approval Letter.

BUDGET IMPACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None.

ACTION ITEM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a monthly report item only.

RTPO Regional Work Program	Staff hours (current vs. amendment #1)	FY17 1st Quarter Hours Used	FY17 2nd Quarter Hours Used	Total for first six months	April Hours Used	FY17 3rd Quarter Hours Used	Hours Remaining
Function 1 – 12% (Long Range Planning & Implementation)	300 / 250.0	82.75	59.5	142.25	32	32	75.75
Function 2 – 10% (Technical Support & Data Management)	100 / 200.0	64.5	8.25	72.75	10	10	117.25
Function 3 – 19% (Project Development & Monitoring) (uses more hours in the first 2 quarters – related to new RTIPR development)	400.0	209.75	30.25	240	7	7	153
Function 4 – 12% (Other Activities & Projects)	400 / 250.0	64.25	71	135.75	33.5	33.5	81.25
Function 5 – 33% (General RTPO Support)	400 / 600.0	196	221.5	417.5	48.5	48.5	134
Function 6 – 14% (RTPO Administration)	400 / 300.0	80.5	46	126.5	31	31	142.5
PROGRAM TOTAL	2000.0	697.75	436.5	1129.25	162	162	703.75

Discussion:

- Ron Shutiva, NMDOT Tribal Liaison suggested the RTPO’s request the NMDOT to consider allocating more hours to RTPO staffing, if the RTPO’s are moving toward “raising the bar” to MPO standards. Perhaps this could be discussed at the upcoming Quarterly meeting in Silver City. May want to bring the N.M. FHWA Office in on the conversation.

V. Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Updates Review/Discussion:..... NWRTPO Staff

BACKGROUND
<p>Why? One of the major functions of the Northwest RTPO is to develop, coordinate, and evaluate our long range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). All projects need to be aligned with this plan in order to advance the strategies, goals, and performance measures outlined within the RTP. More specifically, Function #1: “Long Range Planning and Implementation”, includes the following tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and update the RTP, including tasks and goals, at least once every four years in coordination with the NMDOT Long Range Plan update. Implement performance measures developed in RTPO RTP. Create and implement a strategic plan for implementation of the action items identified by RTPO members and stakeholders as part of the RTP development process. <p>Purpose. This discussion will begin the process of updating and evaluating our RTP, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide an overhaul of our current RTP Review staff recommendations for an RTP update

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin the conversation on updating or adding performance measures, and • Review of staff's implementation evaluation spreadsheet / report. <p>Discussion/Finalization. Staff will provide a presentation on this information and engage members in a discussion on how to move forward.</p>
WORK to DATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RTPO staff reviewed the RTP and compiled a report of recommendations to update it. • RTPO Staff created an implementation Evaluating spreadsheet to track and evaluate goals, strategies, tasks and performance measures. • RTPO staff researched other RTP's and federal guidance and have commenced updates to the RTP for member review.
ANTICIPATED WORK
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue Revision #1 to the RTP; • Continue research and work on performance measures, data, and evaluation
ATTACHMENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RTP: http://www.nwnmcog.com/uploads/1/2/8/7/12873976?northwest_rtp_2015_final.pdf • NWRTPO Long Range Transportation Plan Overview • RTP Review & Recommendation Report (Revision #1) • Implementation Evaluation – <i>previously emailed separately</i>
BUDGET IMPACT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
ACTION ITEM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a discussion item only, unless the committee provides direction to the staff.

Discussion:

- Shared larger edits including a) development updates for an energy logistics park and potential inland port to the northwest of Gallup, b) updates on new investments in recreational trails development for our region including two ZMTP trails for an additional 66 miles, and updates for public transportation annual ridership numbers. Most the other updates to date entail minor corrections or updates.
- Distributed a document for member input on key issues that should be addressed for our region as part of the RTP update – requesting that members submit their ideas by or before our next meeting.
- Request that we send members an email on navigating the COG / RTPO website for review of meetings or guiding documents.

VI. Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) & Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Awards to NWRTPO:

BACKGROUND
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why? The Federal TAP and RTP funding cycle occurs on a biennial basis, and the NWRTPO competitively ranked and prioritized these projects in the FFY18 RTIPR. • Purpose. Announce and present for review the TAP and RTP projects awarded to our region from the NMDOT, along with next steps to move these projects forward. • Discussion/Finalization. RTPO members will review the awarded projects, and those member governments receiving funding awarded for their projects, will take responsibility to move those projects forward based on guidance and collaboration with the NMDOT.

WORK TO DATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The NWRTPO prioritized TAP and RTP projects in the RTIPR during the 1st & 2nd quarters for potential funding • The NMDOT has reviewed statewide TAP and RTP applications, and made awards statewide, including 2 TAP awards to Pueblo of Laguna and RTP awards to Cibola and McKinley Counties.

ANTICIPATED WORK

- Pueblo of Laguna (TAP) and Cibola County (*with City of Grants as fiscal agent*) as well as McKinley County (RTP) will follow up with NMDOT for next steps to move their respective projects forward
- Funding will allow for two segments of the NM124 trail to be designed for the Pueblo of Laguna, along with one segment constructed via \$1 million in TIGER funds.
- Funding will allow for two ZMTP trail segments to be constructed including the 30 mile Quartz Hill segment in Cibola County, and the 36 mile McGaffey / Milk Ranch segment in McKinley County.

ATTACHMENTS

- TAP and RTP – DOT Selection Process & Feedback
- TAP and RTP award documents – indicating the funding amount awarded for each project
- TAP and RTP Award Next Steps – providing guidance to awarded governments for developing their projects in collaboration with the NMNDOT.

BUDGET IMPACT

- No impact to the RTPO budget. Funding benefits awarded member governments projects.

ACTION ITEM

- Information item, no action required from the NWRTPO.

Discussion:

- Congratulations to Laguna for 2 TAP awards totaling \$264,864.00 for two segments of their NM 124 Bike & Pedestrian Trail. Congratulations to McKinley County for their RTP award of \$945,670 for the McGaffey & Milk Ranch 36 mile segment, and Cibola County for their RTP award of \$831,545 for the Quartz Hill 30 mile segment of the ZMTP recreational trail system.
- Per attachments members were provided with a) award selection process within DOT, b) award documents citing the amounts awarded to our members (as stated above), and c) guidance from DOT for next steps for our members who received the TAP or RTP awards.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

BACKGROUND

Why? To provide quick reports on projects and programs and share key information from the local/tribal members, NMDOT, FHWA, and RTPO perspectives.

Purpose. Coordinate and share information between RTPO members, RTPO staff, DOT staff, and the public.

- Jointly discuss and provide guidance to assist members in overcoming challenges and issues on programs or projects.
- To celebrate and share best practices to create a learning environment.
- Share funding and training opportunities in an efficient manner.

Informational Items

Reports:

- RTPO Report – April 2017
- Members Reports
- NMDOT Reports

New Business / Open Floor

Updates

VII. Reports, Updates & Announcements:

A) RTPO Report – January 2017

- NWRTPPO RTIPR complete, and incorporated into NMDOT District 6 RTIP (zipper) for all local projects within McKinley and Cibola Counties; still waiting to hear when DOT District 5 will conduct their RTIP (zipper) which will include two Northern Navajo projects.
- All NWRTPPO Annual Guiding Documents have been updated.
- Most of our member govt. orientations to the RTPO have been completed or are scheduled; still waiting to schedule Cibola & San Juan Counties, and Pueblo of Zuni.
- RTPO staff are assisting McKinley County for development of another road forum to educate elected officials from all the small towns and Navajo chapters in the county on the process for funding and developing transportation infrastructure and services.

B) Local Member Reports & Updates:

1. Cibola County:

- Quartz Hill ZMTP recreational trail has been funded – MOU with Grants to serve as fiscal agent.
- Coop projects start Monday – mostly grading
- C42 is getting some milling deposits for difficult spots – otherwise grading
- Assisting the Water and Soil Conservation program with installation of culverts

2. McKinley County:

- Will commence LGRF projects for chipseal soon
- More Johnson road delays at the Navajo Nation
- Deer Springs Road and CR19 projects are ongoing
- Superman Canyon Road – working on drainage issues

3. San Juan County:

- excused

4. City of Gallup:

- Excused and not present

5. City of Grants:

- 1st Street phase II still looking for construction funding
- 1st Street phase III awaiting bids from the engineers
- 2nd Street box culvert project in close out process
- 2nd Street phase III is also closing out
- 2nd Street phase IV has obtained quotes from two engineering firms – will commence design work soon
- Legacy trail – final changes to ROW maps – next will be pursuing easement from property owners
- George Hanosh Bridge – will go to bid soon (June)
- Airport runway at 90% design for reconstruction – will be bidding construction soon

6. Village of Milan:

- Waiting on re-seeding for the diversion channel
- Purchasing property for drainage pond along Motel Road
- Sand Street – next phase to commence in August
- Doing a Coop drainage projects by Allsup

7. Northern / Eastern Navajo:

- No report – not present

8. Pueblo of Acoma:

- **CMGC Projects:**
 - CMGC1 – SP34 Pinsbaari Drive- phase A complete; commencing phase B for an additional 3 miles for design and construction with savings from the other combined projects
 - CMGC2 – SP34 Rinconado Bridge – project complete and accepted by FHWA & BIA
 - CMGC3- Veterans Parking Lot – project complete and closed out
 - CMGC4 – T Intersection – project closed with savings
 - CMGC5 – FEMA 2013 and 2014: 2013 projects completed; 014 projects at 80%
 - CMGC6 – Stockyard Bridge – Army Corps of Engineers contributed hydrology study. Project to commence in June, but awaiting final review approval from FEMA.
 - CMGC7 – Post Office parking lot complete
 - CMGC8 – Road Stabilization projects complete; additional work anticipated in June
 - CMGC9 – Stone Retaining Wall project is complete and accepted by FHWA and BIA
- The Pueblo will be presenting their success and lessons learned with the CMGC project process, and the manner in which it streamlined efficiencies allowing the Pueblo to complete nine (9) projects in a little over a year.
- **Legacy Projects:**
 - SP302 G.E. Pino Roads – in design & PS&E
 - Mesa Hill Road – design complete awaiting construction funding
- Pueblo has conducted a study for sand and gravel pits – complete and awaiting report. FHWA / BIA Div. of Energy & Mineral Development have funding for studies around Barrow Sites.
- Turn-out & Overlook project is complete – working on close out documentation

9. Pueblo of Laguna:

- L22 Casa Blanca Road – construction is ongoing
- L26 & L24 Rainfall Road segments are in design
- L243 Acorn Road – bids being accepted for design
- Bridge projects going to bid
- NM124 / L22 Casa Blanca intersection being engineered with TIF funding

10. Pueblo of Zuni:

- Excused and not present, but Royce emailed report as follows:
- Performing some road reconstruction where needed
- Will commence reconstruction of Lesarley project – erosion control devices, removing existing fences, conducting preliminary construction surveys – will be milling existing asphalt by next week.
- Routine road maintenance ongoing
- Considering purchase of new road-grader

11. Ramah Navajo:

- Excused and not present

C) State DOT Reports:

1. Planning / Govt. to Govt. Unit – Wade Patterson:

- Excused / not present

2. Tribal Liaison – Ron Shutiva:

- Working on a Tribal Right of Way Training – will send presentation to Bob K. to forward to RTPO members, in advance of setting a date and location for the first training.
- Concern about tribal entities that revert funding by not properly managing their projects and funding timelines – creates a “black-eye” for all other tribes. Ron spoke with NMIAD Secretary Kelly Zunie to address concerns with Navajo Nation projects.
- State should consider contributing some of the annual tribal gaming funding revenues to the IAD TIF program

3. District 5 Staff – Steve Lopez:

- Represented at this meeting by Michael Baca – no news of significance at this time.

4. District 6 Staff – Bill Santiago:

- MAP funding: FFY 15-16 agreements expire next month, unless amended for extensions!
- Capital Outlay funding at the state remains frozen for any FY16 funds
- No other news of significance.

5. Central Regional Design / FHWA / Other:

- Not present

VIII. New Business / Open Floor – Members & Guests:

- Annual meeting schedule – members need to confirm reservations for meeting locations

IX. Review Calendar & Announcements / Training & Funding Opportunities:

- **Title VI plans:** past due to NMDOT Construction & Civil Rights Bureau since January 13, final deadline was April 30, 2017 from all T/LPA's; contact Damian Segura for any questions at 505-629-9890 damian.segura@state.nm.us.
- **FHWA Office of Planning, Environment & Realty – Human Environment Digest:** emailed to members 4/17 and 4/27, 2017
- **Govt. to Govt. Updates:** Weeks of 4/17/17 and 5/1/17 (with TAP / RTP award announcements) – emailed to members as they came out
- **Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plans (ICIP):** Special Districts (June 15th); Tribal (July 17th); and Cities/Counties (September 1st)
- **Transit Letter of Intent Notice:** May 20th
- **National Regional Transportation Conference (Denver, CO):** June 28th – 30th
- **NPS-Rivers, Trails, & Conservation Assistance Program:** applications due June 30th
- **National Tribal Transportation Conference:** Sept. 25-29 in Tucson, AZ

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XI. Adjournment:

- At 2:15 PM: Paul Pena - Grants motioned for meeting to adjourn, seconded by Dave Deutsawe; passed by consensus, none opposed.

MEETING ACTIONS:

RTPO Members –

- Contribute ideas from your government's perspective on new / additional key issues the NWRTPO should address in the Regional Transportation Plan update for local and regional transportation priorities going forward. Discuss with your elected officials and transportation colleagues. **Bring your recommendations to the June 14 meeting!**
- Contact RTPO staff to schedule an orientation – Cibola, San Juan and Zuni.
- RTPO members from Cibola County / City of Grants, McKinley County and Pueblo of Laguna, follow up with NMDOT on next steps for funded TAP and RTP projects.

Staff –

- ✓ Continue to inform members on training and funding opportunities
- ✓ NPS RTCA program link: <https://www.nps.gov/orgs/rtca/index.htm> – sent 6/6/17
- ✓ Road Forum – send all members a Save the Date Card and start working with San Juan County on a Road Forum. *← sent community invite letter instead*
- ✓ RTPO Website: finalize the minutes and post the agenda, minutes and meeting package to the COG RTPO website meetings section

G2G Liaison –

- ✓ Continue to press for LTAP “cradle to grave” comprehensive project development training (detailing all possible phases)
- ✓ Assist us in getting James Mexia to make presentation on new HSIP process
- ✓ Assist us in getting presentations on NMDOT Funding Formula and FAST Act
- ✓ Help us locate data sets for the RTP performance measures.

Next Meeting:

June 14 – San Juan County Fire Operations Center, 209 S. Oliver Drive, Aztec, NM (San Juan County)



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Agenda Item #IV: Northwest Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

Subject: Review and Discussion of RTP

Prepared by: Robert Kuipers

Date: 6/6/17

BACKGROUND

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Purpose. This discussion will continue the process of updating and evaluating our RTP, including:

- Provide an overhaul of our current RTP,
- Review staff recommendations for an RTP update,
- Begin the conversation on updating or adding performance measures, and
- Review staff's Implementation Evaluation spreadsheet/report.

Discussion/Finalization. Staff will provide a presentation on this information and engage members in a discussion on recommended updates.

WORK TO DATE

- RTPO staff reviewed the RTP and compiled a report of recommendations to update it.
- RTPO staff created an Implementation Evaluating spreadsheet to track and evaluate goals, strategies, tasks, and performance measures.
- RTPO staff researched other RTPs and Federal guidance; and have commenced updates to the RTP.

ANTICIPATED WORK

- Continue to complete Revision #1 to the RTP;
- Continue research and work on performance measures, data, and evaluation.

ATTACHMENTS

- RTP: http://www.nwnmcog.com/uploads/1/2/8/7/12873976/northwest_rtp_2015_final.pdf
- NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan Overview
- RTP Review & Recommendation Report (Revision #1)
- Implementation Evaluation – *emailed separately in April*

BUDGET IMPACT

- None.

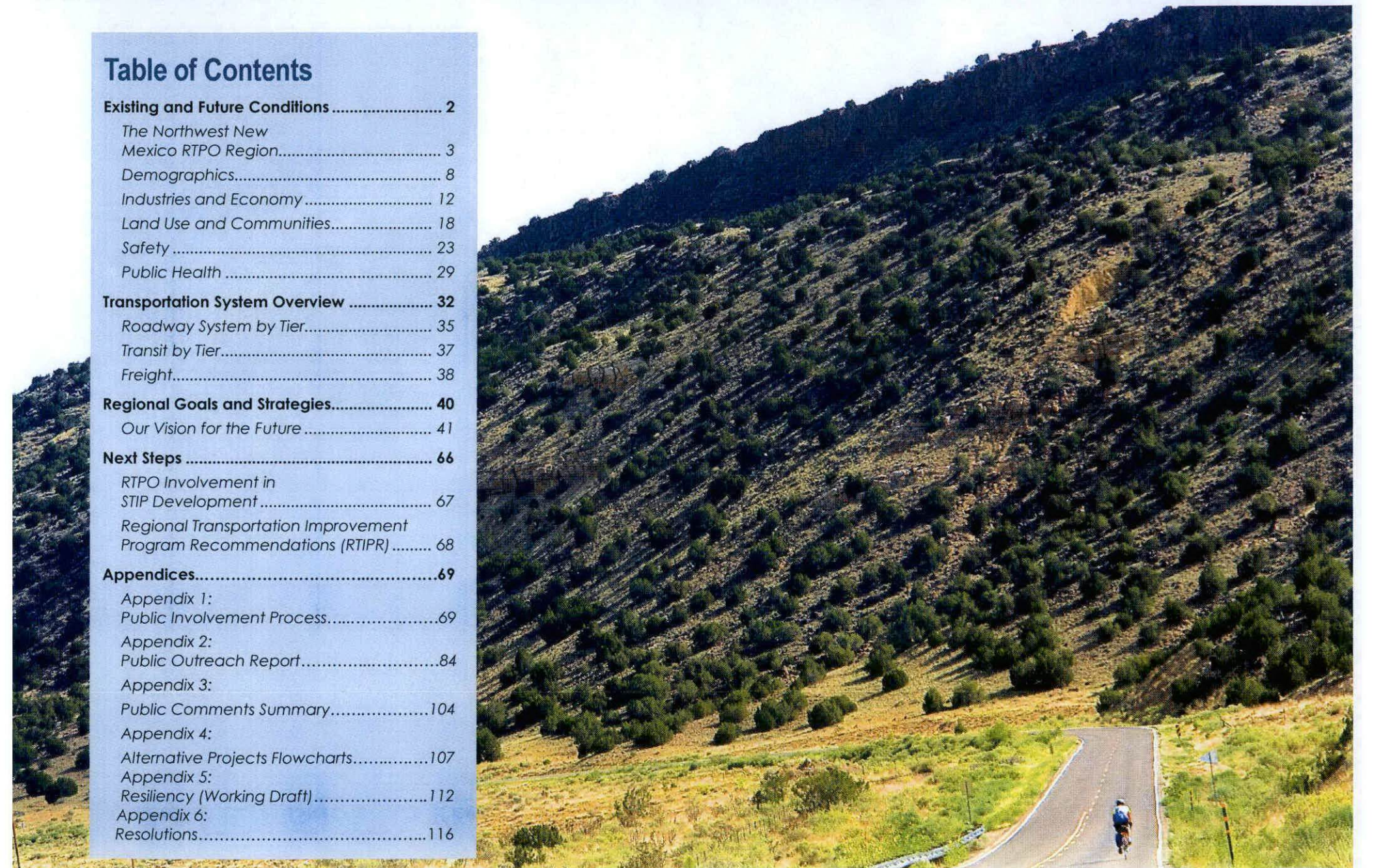
ACTION ITEM

- After discussion staff is recommending approval from members for RTP updates.



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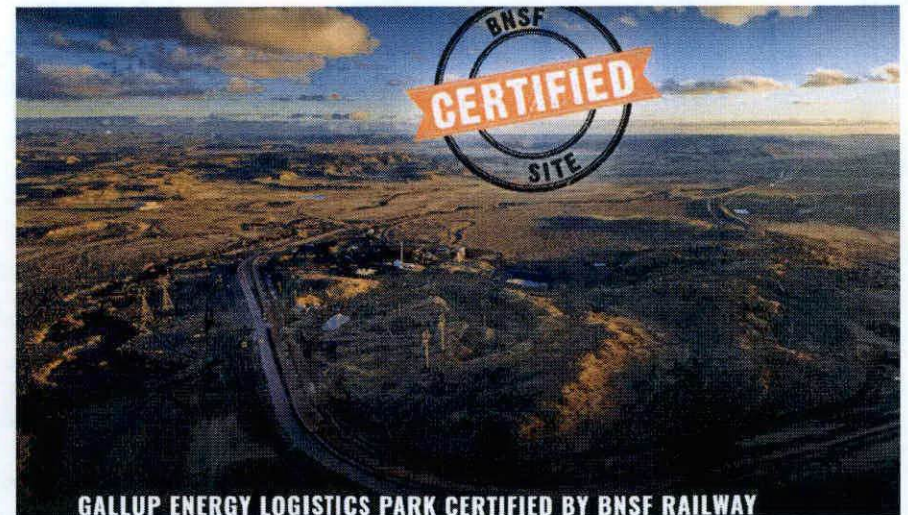


The BNSF Phoenix Strategy

In 2011, Burlington Northern-Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) released its Phoenix Strategy, a plan that links the population growth in the Sun Belt region to economic opportunities along the BNSF transcontinental (“Transcon”) corridor. The 2013 passage in New Mexico of House Bill 120, *Locomotive Fuel Gross Receipts*, provided an incentive for BNSF to reinvest in infrastructure that would support local economic development opportunities. The northwest New Mexico regional communities are geographically located in equal proximity to the ports in Long Beach, the Global Logistics Hub in Alliance, TX and in Chicago. The region’s advantages in transportation and energy have led to strategic plans for rural transloading outposts along the transcon corridor, which have included new rail capacity and industrial parks. This has been a model of what can be achieved through proactive planning, policy, and process. In 2015, the RTPO received funding to perform the “Four Corners Intermodal Transloading Equinox” (4CITE) planning process to assess, plan, and prioritize transportation infrastructure for the greater Gallup area in relation to potential economic development and transloading projects in the greater Gallup area. **This study was finalized in November 2016 outlining and prioritizing transportation infrastructure improvements needed to accommodate growth and development the Gallup Energy Logistics Park (ELP) and potentially a Navajo Inland Port. A copy of the 4CITE study is available at: www.nwnmcog.com.**

Gallup Land Partners and Gallup Energy Logistics Park

The City of Gallup has long declared itself “landlocked” due to the ownership status of extensive private lands surrounding the City, held in trust but not actively put to economic use over the years. In 2013, the family landholding trust Gamero & Associates was court-ordered to sell 26,000 acres. International developers formed a company, Gallup Land Partners, to purchase the land for \$36 million and to develop it for economic purposes. In conjunction with the Greater Gallup Economic Development Corporation (GGEDC), Gallup Land Partners (GLP) announced its plans for development of the Gallup Energy Logistics Park. The master plan included a 2,000-acre business park, anchored by a state-of-the-art crude oil transloading facility, the first facility of its kind in New Mexico to anchor an Energy Logistics Park on the BNSF Railway Transcon corridor. **In 2016, BNSF approved the ELP rail plan. In early 2017, the Gallup Land Partners invested close to \$6 million in the construction of a rail terminal, which includes the addition of 11,000 linear feet of track and adding rail loops to support development of the ELP. Shortly thereafter BNSF designated this project as one of its new nationally certified sites for economic development related to rail service.**





Other Area Studies

The region has also benefitted from three major studies funded by the New Mexico State Legislature, including:

- (1) Navajo Nation Inland Port Study, led by three Navajo Chapters of Manuelito, Rocksprings, and Tsayatoh with support from the New Mexico Economic Development Department completed this study in 2015. This study highlights the potential of developing an inland port and details two top sites within the 4CITE sub-region.
- (2) Farmington Rail Study, also completed in 2015 and led by the New Mexico Economic Development Department, this study details the feasibility of a short rail line to the outskirts of Farmington based on market demands for coal and agricultural products.
- (3) San Juan County Utility Study, completed in 2017, provides guidance on growth patterns and utility needs of Navajo Chapters in the San Juan Basin.

High Desert Trail System


In 2012, the High Desert Trail System bordering the City of Gallup was designated as a National Recreation Trail. This trail system, located just north of Gallup, is designed in a series of "stacked loops"— narrow, single-track trails that reveal great vistas and cap rocks. The three loops atop the mesas overlooking Gallup are named First Mesa, Second Mesa, and Third Mesa, in honor of the nearby mesa-dwelling Hopi people and the "Anasazi" people who once occupied this region.

Navajo-Gallup Water Supply Project

In March 2009, Congress passed and the President signed off on PL 111-11, the *Omnibus Public Lands Act*, which authorized the construction of the Navajo-Gallup Water Supply Project, as part of a legal settlement of the Navajo Nation's water rights in the San Juan River. This \$1 billion project will provide water to over 40 Navajo Chapters, the southwest area of the Jicarilla Apache reservation, and the City of Gallup. Once completed in 2024, this strategic infrastructure project will provide a long-term, sustainable water supply to our region, thus providing northwestern New Mexico with a new competitive advantage with respect to this increasingly precious resource.

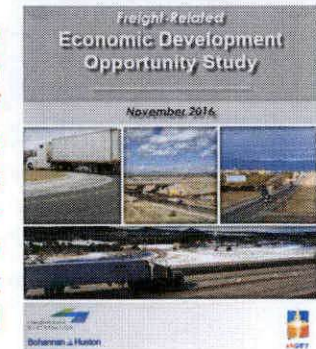
New Mexico MainStreet

The Cities of Aztec and Grants continued to improve NM550 and NM122 respectively, in order to enhance the local experience, develop live-work-play-stay opportunities, and to create walkable, vibrant downtowns. In July 2012, the Pueblo of Zuni became the first Native American community in the U.S. to be designated a MainStreet community. The City of Gallup, the Gallup Business Improvement District (BID), and GallupARTS worked to achieve a MainStreet designation in July of 2013, and the region's first Arts & Cultural District designation followed in February 2014.



Super Truck Stop Study

The federal surface transportation law, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, created new requirements for freight truck drivers. The FAST Act indicates that truck drivers are required to stop for ten hours after driving for eleven consecutive hours. These changes were recognized by the New Mexico House of Representatives, who passed House Memorial 96 (HM-96) to study emerging opportunities for statewide trucking accommodations. HM-96 aims to capitalize on the presence of three major truck freight routes that cross New Mexico: I-10, I-25, and I-40 to develop multi-service locations for truck drivers reaching their eleven-hour limit. The expected outcome could provide enhanced economic and employment opportunities for New Mexico. In November 2016, the completed the Freight-Related Economic Opportunity Study, which will result in 4-6 potential locations for new or expanded trucking accommodations (NMDOT, 2016). Several potential locations along I-40 were evaluated as part of this study.




TIGER Grants

Our region has been the recipient and beneficiary of two USDOT "Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery" (TIGER) grants:

- **US491 Safety Improvements (\$31M):** This national highway connects local communities of the Navajo Nation to other parts of New Mexico, Colorado, and the Four Corners area. It is a major trucking route with increasingly high volumes of commercial traffic. The full project expanded the width of US-491 over a corridor length of approximately 69 miles, constructing two new lanes adjacent to the two existing lanes, improving safety on one of the most dangerous routes in New Mexico. The road has a history of traffic accidents and safety problems. Statistics indicate that the fatality rate along the north portion of the corridor is about 3.6 times the state average and along the south portion is about 2.2 times the state average rate.
- **Pueblo of Laguna Bicycle & Pedestrian Route Plan and Trail Design (\$1.47M):** The project pursued planning and design of approximately 40 miles of trails on the Pueblo of Laguna reservation to connect six distinct communities with a focus on traditional village cores. The project supports revitalization through the development of a comprehensive bike/pedestrian route plan for Pueblo of Laguna villages and complete engineering designs, including surveys, studies, environmental (NEPA) and archaeological clearances. Current plans are to make top-priority routes shovel-ready.

Trail of the Ancients Byway

With the prospects of joining the federally designated byway in Colorado and Utah, the Native Heritage Trail Byway was renamed "Trail of the Ancients" in 2007 with approval by the New Mexico Tourism Department. A Corridor Management Plan was developed and several improvements were made, including byway signage, under the now defunct Scenic Byway program. In 2010, the Trail of the Ancients



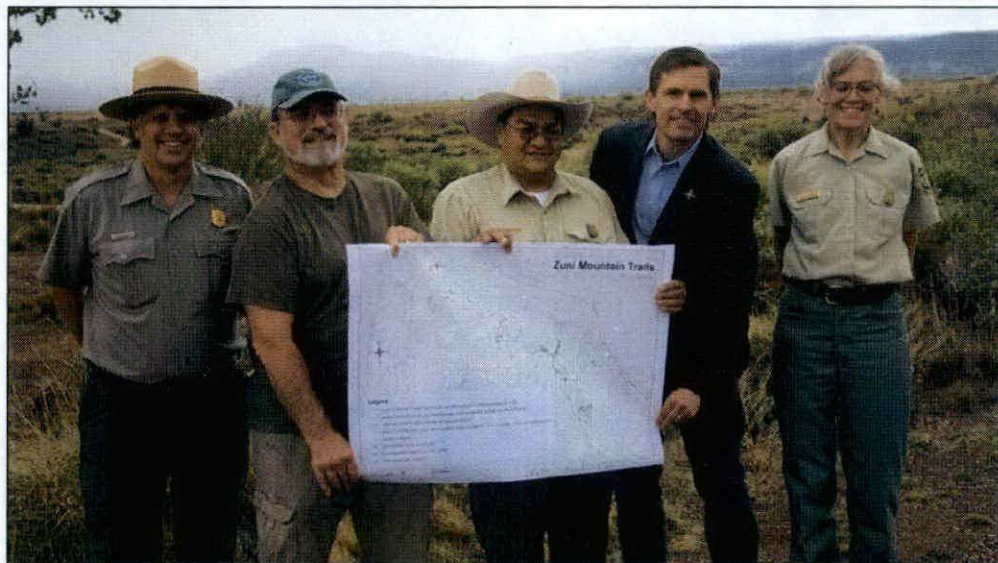
Byway Association partnered with geotourism project of National Geographic Magazine to develop a Four Corners Geotourism MapGuide and interactive website¹ to boost the flow of tourism to this remarkable region.

US 491 Four-Lane Project Completed

Following the announcement of the State's allocation of approximately \$80 million to complete the four-laning of US 491, highlighted by a final groundbreaking in August 2014, the region saw its vision of a safer, more efficient north-south corridor along US 491 come to reality. This project provides New Mexico with a strategic corridor for economic and community development, as noted in the 2013 TRIP Report, which gave top ranking to US 491 among all transportation projects in the State of New Mexico. Furthermore, this project aligns with the expansion of hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") activity in the Four Corners, along with the goals of BNSF to develop its book of business with the Navajo Nation, the City of Gallup, and the Village of Milan, respectively.

Zuni Mountain Trail Partnership

Led by the U.S. Forest Service and partners in McKinley and Cibola counties, the Zuni Mountain Trail Partnership (ZMTP) embarked on an ambitious 200-mile, non-motorized, single-track trail project through the Zuni Mountains. A master trails & conservation plan was completed to support the project planning, development, and maintenance. In May 2017, the U.S. Forest Service approved the Finding of No Significant Impact to finalize the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process and signed its official Decision Notice to approve the project. More recently, Cibola and McKinley counties were awarded about \$1.7M in Recreational Trails Program funding for development of a 30-mile "Quartz Hill" trail segment in Cibola County, and an additional 36-mile "McGaffey-Milk Ranch" trail segment in McKinley County. On May 31st, a signing ceremony was held at the El Malpais Visitors Center that included a ribbon-cutting by Senator Martin Heinrich.



¹ <http://www.fourcornersgeotourism.com/>



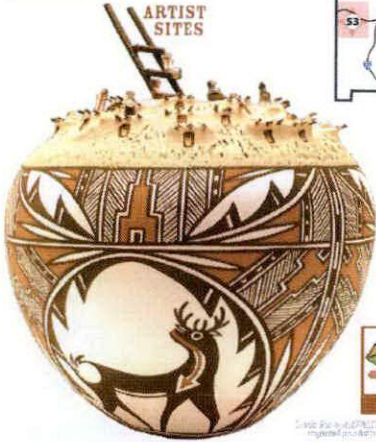
Industries and Economy

The northwestern part of New Mexico is made up of the communities within the counties of San Juan, McKinley, and Cibola. This section discusses the industries that support our regional economy, including emerging opportunities and leveraging our unique transportation assets to diversify our economy.

Tourism

Tourism and recreation are mainstays of the economy in all three counties of the region. Adventure tourism is an emerging niche industry. Assets include primitive wilderness areas, campgrounds, forest and woodlands, national monuments and state parks for hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation. Navajo Lake and several reservoirs provide venues for boating and water sports. As a gateway to the Four Corners, with the closest international airport located in Albuquerque, a significant amount of Four Corners travelers rely on highways, roadways, and byways in Northwest New Mexico. The RTPo spearheaded the State's designation of Trail of the Ancients byway, which connects the nationally designated Trail of the Ancients byways in Utah and Colorado. This byway provides a backbone for regional traveler, which require signage, interpretation, rest areas, visitor centers, and other transportation amenities to keep them safe and spending money in our regional communities.

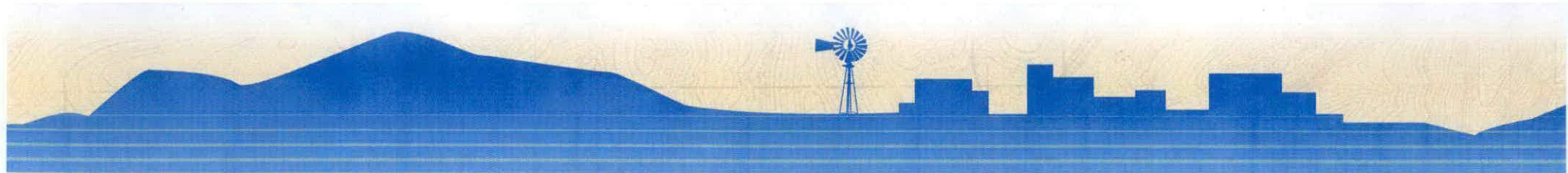
ANCIENT WAY ARTS TRAIL



Major attractions include Chaco Culture National Historical Park, Aztec Ruins National Monument, Salmon Ruins and Heritage Park, Bisti Badlands, Acoma Sky City, Bandera Volcano, El Malpais Monument, La Ventana natural arch, Ice Caves, Bluewater Lake State Park, El Morro National Monument, Old Laguna Pueblo, Pueblo of Zuni, Red Rock Park, Zuni mountains recreation area, as well as the five tribal casinos. There are two visitor centers located along Interstate 40, the State's Manuelito Visitor Center and the **El Malpais** Visitor Center **in Grants**. These centers are strategic in moving tourists into rural and tribal communities and along the Trail of the Ancients byway.

In addition, events such as the Gallup Inter-Tribal Indian Ceremonial, the Navajo Nation Fair, the Shiprock Fair, the Navajo Rug Auction in Crownpoint, **and recreation and sporting events** frequently bring visitors into our region. Our region is also known as a primary producer of high-quality Native American arts, crafts, and jewelry.

The need to maintain linkages between rural and urban areas is essential to the economy. A rural transportation system that supports tourism plays a central role to the region's tourism industry. It connects visitors to urban areas and to key attractions. Ensuring a safe and reliable transportation system will continue to attract more visitors to our region. **Our region of Northwest New Mexico has an abundance of authentic historic and cultural venues for visitors who are seeking the more genuine experience of "New Mexico True."**



Strategic Energy Corridor

The interrelationships between the economy, the transportation system, and land use are critical elements to the vitality and long-term sustainability of the region’s future. Direct investments in efficient transportation infrastructure have significant economic impacts and opportunities generated by a strategic regional transportation plan. Such a plan will not only stimulate economic growth and job creation, but it will yield efficient business economic productivity and movement of goods throughout the region. A plan that addresses the needs for logistics, shipping distribution, and the movement of goods in a region is essential to the establishment of favorable conditions that will fuel economic growth and activity.

Northwest New Mexico is a strategic energy corridor for the state and for the nation. The production of energy elements and value-added products provides substantial base power to regional markets, generating severance tax revenue for the state. The San Juan Basin and Grants Uranium Belt have been historic producers of oil, gas, coal, uranium, and other extractive materials that have contributed significantly to powering America. A large portion of these materials requires transport to power plants and other end-users in the Northwest region, as well as Southwest, West Coast, Mexico, and international markets. While providing a strong economic base and traditional job markets, these extractive industries result in a heavy use of roadways and highways and a disproportionate deterioration rate and overall impact for the population size of our region. The movement of goods and people relies on a secure and safe transportation network. The region must meet future transportation demand by upgrading heavily used roads and invest in a freight transportation system that will efficiently move goods. **Over the last decade and especially in the last few years, there has been a large uptick in renewable energy projects including but not limited to Red Mesa Wind Farm and PNM solar projects.**

The chart below shows the region’s economic activity. A healthy economy would reflect a high export value and a relatively lower import value in order to generate sufficient regional revenue. The region’s potential to become an agricultural and energy exporter, including the establishment of transloading and logistics hubs, represents an important element of the region’s future economy. An effective and efficient network of freight transportation systems will help achieve this goal. The establishment and operation of a national or global logistics park will require a sophisticated, safe, reliable transportation network that will export and import goods with efficiency. Operational efficiency and logistical advancement are vital to maintaining a competitive advantage for our region.

Table 3: Northwest New Mexico Regional Economic Activity, 2012

Economic Attribute	Value	Description
Gross Regional Product (GRP)	\$8,458,237,285	Final market value of all goods and services produced in the region.
Regional Exports	\$14,608,907,855	Money earned from selling goods and services to foreign and external domestic regions.
Regional Imports	\$12,274,233,094	Money spent on procuring goods and services from foreign and external domestic region.

Source: EMSI 2013.1, U.S. Census, Trail of the Ancients.



Rail Lines

- BNSF Railway (BNSF) – Class I
- Amtrak Southwest Chief – Intercity Passenger Rail
- Escalante-Western Railway – Private (55 miles)
- Navajo Mine Railroad – Private (13 miles)

Transit Service Ridership

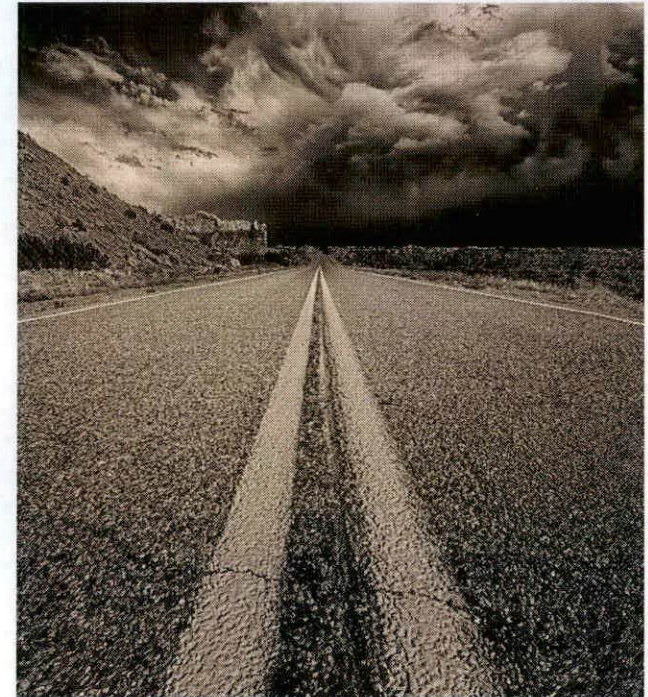
- City of Farmington – Red Apple Transit (108,937 - 2016)
- Village of Milan – Carrot Express (also serving Grants & Cibola County) (16,644 - 2016)
- City of Gallup – Gallup Express (64,278 - 2016)
- Navajo Nation - Navajo Transit System (53,990 - 2016)
- Pueblo of Zuni (31,764 - 2016)
- Laguna Pueblo - Shaa'skr'a Transit (8,350 - 2016)

Border Crossings:

- States of Arizona, Colorado, and Utah
- Sovereign Nations of Navajo Nation, Pueblo of Laguna, Pueblo of Acoma, and Pueblo of Zuni




- Total number of serious injuries resulting from traffic incidents.
- Serious injuries and serious injuries per 100 million VMT (statewide, rural, and urban).
- Pedestrian fatalities and serious injuries per 100,000 population (statewide, rural, and urban)⁶.
- Bicyclist fatalities per 100,000 population (statewide, rural, and urban)⁷.
- Number of Road Safety Audits (RSA's) funded in NWRTPO region.
- Number of RSA's completed in the NWRTPO region.
- Number of Countermeasures implemented related to RSA's.
- Inform the NWRTPO Committee members of the "Systemic Safety Process" used by NMDOT to identify and prioritize multimodal safety improvements used in combination with transportation safety policies and safety programs currently being used.



⁶ From NMDOT NMTP * Note: Pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities include those typically considered in the FARS reporting process (i.e., those involving motor vehicles on public roadways). NMDOT will also strive to reduce and measure fatalities (and injuries) that either do not involve motor vehicles (e.g., bicycle / pedestrian collisions) and/or do not occur in the motorized space of roadways (e.g., pedestrian injuries or fatalities on sidewalks or multi-use trails).

⁷ Ibid.

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- Align the information provided via the “NMRoads” website with the TDM Strategic Plan and TSM&O strategies to ensure that transportation system users have access to appropriate, timely, high quality, and user-friendly information on road conditions, public transit schedules, rest area parking information, etc.
 - Work collaboratively with partners (e.g., US Forest Service, New Mexico Tourism Department, RTPOs, Tribes, transit agencies, trucking companies, etc.) to identify information needs and provide on-going feedback on the types and quality of information provided on NMRoads and other NMDOT information sources.
 - Develop a check list that links the database of TDM strategies to corridor planning and project development. Strategies would be categorized as required, advisory, or not relevant for a given corridor type.

NWRTPO

- Assist in implementing TSM&O, ITS, and TDM strategies where appropriate for NWRTPO region.
- Provide NWRTPO staff and member training on TDM, ITS and TSM&O activities and strategies.
- Provide presentation on NMRoads and other NMDOT informational sources and a TDM Strategic Plan when developed.
- Support transit stakeholders in their pursuit of establishing a Regional Transit Alliance and/or Regional Transit District (RTD).
- Participate in establishing “Capacity Expansion Evaluation Criteria” for determining when all demand management strategies have been exhausted and under these circumstances, a method for prioritizing new transportation capacity investments in the STIP.

Local and Tribal Communities

- Provide tribal and local input and perspective to NMDOT on use and implementation of TSM&O, ITS, and TDM strategies.

Strategy 4.2: Strategic Investment in Key Corridors

The Northwest RTPO supports the NMDOT goal of prioritizing projects, programs, and activities that help minimize transportation infrastructure and service costs through coordination of transportation and land use planning (including site selection for public facilities).

Action Items

NMDOT

- Establish criteria and thresholds for establishing tiers for modes not already established in the NMTP (e.g., public transportation, bicycle, pedestrian, etc.).



- Invest in data and tools to help NMDOT and its planning partners to better understand travel patterns and travel mode choices for all segments of New Mexico’s population of residents and visitors.
- Establish “Capacity Expansion Evaluation Criteria” for determining when all feasible operational and system demand management strategies have been exhausted and, if so, for prioritizing roadway capacity investments in the STIP.
- Refine and officially designate a priority truck network based on a prioritization approach that reflects patterns of goods movement, intermodal connections, and US-Mexico border crossing volumes.
- Participate in the Western Connected Freight Corridor Coalition to address permitting and connected vehicle applications.
- Provide support to local partners to identify opportunities to establish RTDs for intercity and regional transit services.
- Continue to work with local agencies to coordinate schedules and make web-based transit information more accessible, including through the NMRoads website.
- Develop a state bicycle, pedestrian, equestrian (BPE) plan to refine the strategies set forth in the NMTP and establish priorities for facility development.
- Use routine resurfacing projects as an opportunity to improve or maintain bicycle facilities and connectivity along identified corridors.
- Adopt state-of-the-art, ADA-compliant design standards for sidewalks, curb ramps, crosswalks, and other pedestrian elements that meet all of the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Develop design guidance (including model plan and profile views for streets) to address pedestrian needs along NMDOT facilities in local communities.
- Promote all facets of aviation including educational and career opportunities, historic aviation corridors and aviation tourism, and local recreation and other connections at smaller airports.
- Support investment in NextGen aviation technologies to increase system efficiency and safety.
- Evaluate zoning standards and opportunities to incentivize compatible development opportunities near and around airports.

NWRTPO

- Provide regional and local perspective to NMDOT as it develops its modal tiered criteria.
- Develop and work with communities on alternative financing strategies for projects that do not meet tiered criteria.
- Support transit stakeholders in their pursuit of establishing a Regional Transit Alliance and/or Regional Transit District (RTD).
- Participation in the development of a State BPE plan, **and consideration toward Title VI and ADA compliance when designing pedestrian and bicycle accommodations where state and local transportation system infrastructure interface.**

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- Participation in the implementation of several sub-regional plans, such as 4CITE Master Plan and Freight Relate Economic Opportunity Study.

Local and Tribal Communities

- Provide tribal and local perspective to NMDOT as it develops its modal tiered criteria.
- Financing plans to support increased and integrated transit services.
- Participation in the development and implementation of a State BPE plan with regards to access and connectivity.

Strategy 4.3: Land Use-Transportation Coordination

NWRTPO supports NMDOT's objective to make efficient use of both transportation and non-transportation resources to reduce costs and improve mobility of residents and visitors. With limited funding available, the Northwest RTPO understands NMDOT's strategy to prioritize projects, programs, and activities that help minimize transportation infrastructure and service costs through coordination of transportation and land use planning (including site selection for public facilities).

Action Items

NMDOT

- Work with the Interagency Coordinating Committee, State of New Mexico General Services Administration, health councils, and other agencies to coordinate the planning and siting of public facilities (e.g., senior centers, libraries, hospitals, schools, etc.) and other key travel destinations to reduce transportation costs, improve safety, and enhance user experience.
- Develop guidance to help local communities adopt location-efficient and transit-supportive development and site planning ordinances.
- In collaboration with tribes and other agencies, refine NMDOT access control guidance for existing and new facilities to ensure that state roads can serve appropriate functions.
- For each roadway tier, establish standards that must be achieved for adding capacity to NMDOT facilities (new lanes, interchanges, intersections, signalization, turn lanes, etc.) in response to new development, regardless of developer contributions.

NWRTPO

- **Educate and** advise local governments about land use and transportation planning
- Request to provide comments (coordination) on local government decisions affecting land use and transportation planning
- Provide technical assistance, guidance and recommendations to local governments conducting local planning efforts and/or projects to locate community facilities (like schools) in locations that utilize existing infrastructure



Goal 5 – Respect New Mexico's Cultures, Environment, History, **Health** & Quality of Life

New Mexico is a diverse and beautiful state with a wide variety of cultures, languages, terrains, and beliefs. As an agency representing this state, the NMDOT remains committed to treating all New Mexicans with respect. This goal is shared by the NWRTPO and its members.

Key Priorities Raised in Regional Input

- Maintaining quality of life for local residents (i.e. impacts on residents from industry driving up costs of water).
- Promote New Mexico MainStreets.
- Support Byways.
- Promote access and connections to trails system.
- Developing cleaner energy resources within the region
- Rural and urban equity: rural communities need more representation in the process as well as resources and capacity to support projects.
- Expanding public/private partnerships.
- Context sensitive plans/policies that are flexible for communities.
- Bring awareness to and support existing Scenic Byways.
- Improve and expand recreational trails.

Strategy 5.1: Context Sensitive Solutions

NWRTPO supports NMDOT's strategy when developing projects and programs to find a "best fit" transportation solution for the local and regional context that meets the expectations of both NMDOT and community stakeholders.

Action Items

NMDOT

- In collaboration with tribes, local communities, and other agencies, develop criteria and checklists for NMDOT project types to ensure successful implementation of CSS principles.
- Evaluate the success of past projects in meeting NMDOT's CSS goals.
- Provide training for NMDOT, regional, and local staff on Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS).
- Refine the NMDOT public engagement process as expressed in the NMDOT Location Studies Procedures.

- Support other state agencies (Tourism, Economic Development, Historic Preservation, etc.) to achieve the goals of New Mexico MainStreet, the state-authorized Arts and Cultural Districts, and other programs through context-sensitive design and management of NMDOT's multimodal transportation assets.
- Help state, Tribal, and federal land management agencies preserve and protect their land and resources through context-sensitive design and management of NMDOT's multimodal transportation assets.
- Partner with state and federal agencies to identify transportation projects that align with the preservation and development of New Mexico's national historic trails - important assets of the state's heritage, economic development, tourism, quality of life, and future transportation network.

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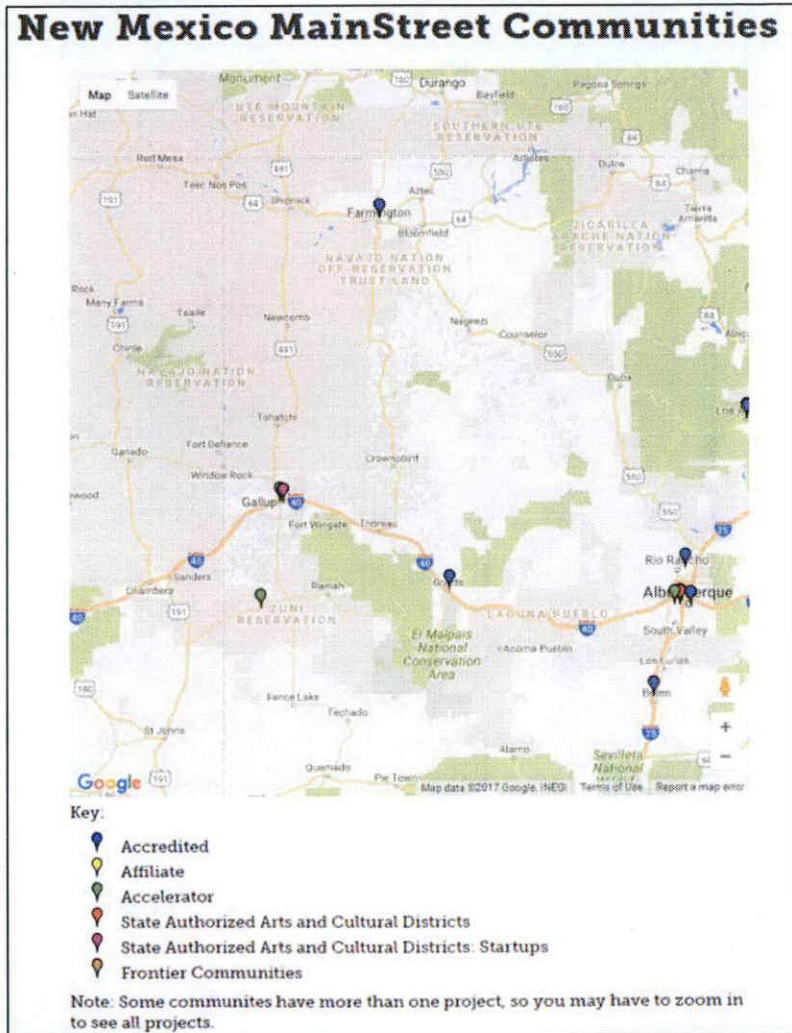
- Promote and foster business growth along our Scenic Byways, MainStreet corridors, and Adventure Tourism industry and support with appropriate transportation infrastructure.
- Support local Mainstreet and Arts & Cultural Districts with appropriate context sensitive transportation infrastructure.
- Develop a recreation trails planning and mapping function.

Local and Tribal Communities

- The local or tribal entity itself should determine its own approach to recreation and tourism based on community context, culture, and control.

Performance Measures

- Tourism/Visitor numbers
- Number of communities with recently updated comprehensive plans or other local plans
- Investment in recreational projects and number of National Recreational Trails designations
- Trail Users





Strategy 5.5: Designing Healthier Communities for Healthier New Mexicans

The Northwest RTPO believes that active living by design leads to healthy communities. Health professionals should be included in public participation and input processes across all transportation projects and modes of travel. Based on input and projects submitted in the recent "Call for Transportation Projects", many of the communities in the Northwest region are prioritizing walkable communities, ADA compliance studies, community trail systems, and recreational trails for safe and local opportunities to improve fitness.

Action Items

NMDOT

- Health is an integrated activity throughout the New Mexico 2040 Plan.

NWRTPO

- Develop a community trails planning and mapping function within the RTPO, partnering with National Parks Service-Rivers, Trails, and Conservation program, private consultants, and community experts to encourage community consensus, trails planning, and mapping to assist them in developing master trails plans.
- Provide training and assist communities in developing systems to track use and impact of these investments, utilizing Park Rx, Prescription Trails Program, and the Parks, Trails, and Health Workbook⁹, put out by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and NPS.

Local and Tribal Communities

- The local or tribal entities continue to interact health into transportation planning and encourage best practices in terms of active transportation and recreational projects and measuring impact.

Performance Measures

- Investment in active transportation and recreational projects.
- Trail Users

⁹ Parks, Trails, and Health Workbook: https://www.nps.gov/public_health/hp/hphp/press/Parks_Trails_and_Health_Workbook_508_Accessible_PDF.pdf



Park Rx

Ask your doctor for a park prescription today! www.ParkRx.org

Obesity costs the U.S. \$190 billion each year.

Being obese puts a person at greater risk for chronic illness, including coronary heart disease, high blood pressure, stroke, type 2 diabetes, cancer, and reproductive problems.

29 million Americans suffer from diabetes and are at higher risk of heart disease, stroke, blindness, kidney failure, and lower limb amputation.

Coronary heart disease is the leading cause of death for both men and women.

15.7 million adults reported having at least **one major depressive episode** in the past year.

Outdoor activity improves both mental and physical well-being more than indoor activity.

Spending time in nature is associated with **better cognitive development** in schoolchildren.

The closer we are to green space, **the less we suffer** from cardiovascular, musculoskeletal, mental health, respiratory, neurological, and digestive diseases.

Diabetics who spend more time in nature are more physically active and show **better blood sugar control**.

Spending more time in parks translates to being **more physically active**.

Spending time in nature **decreases anxiety and negative thinking** and lowers levels of depression and stress.

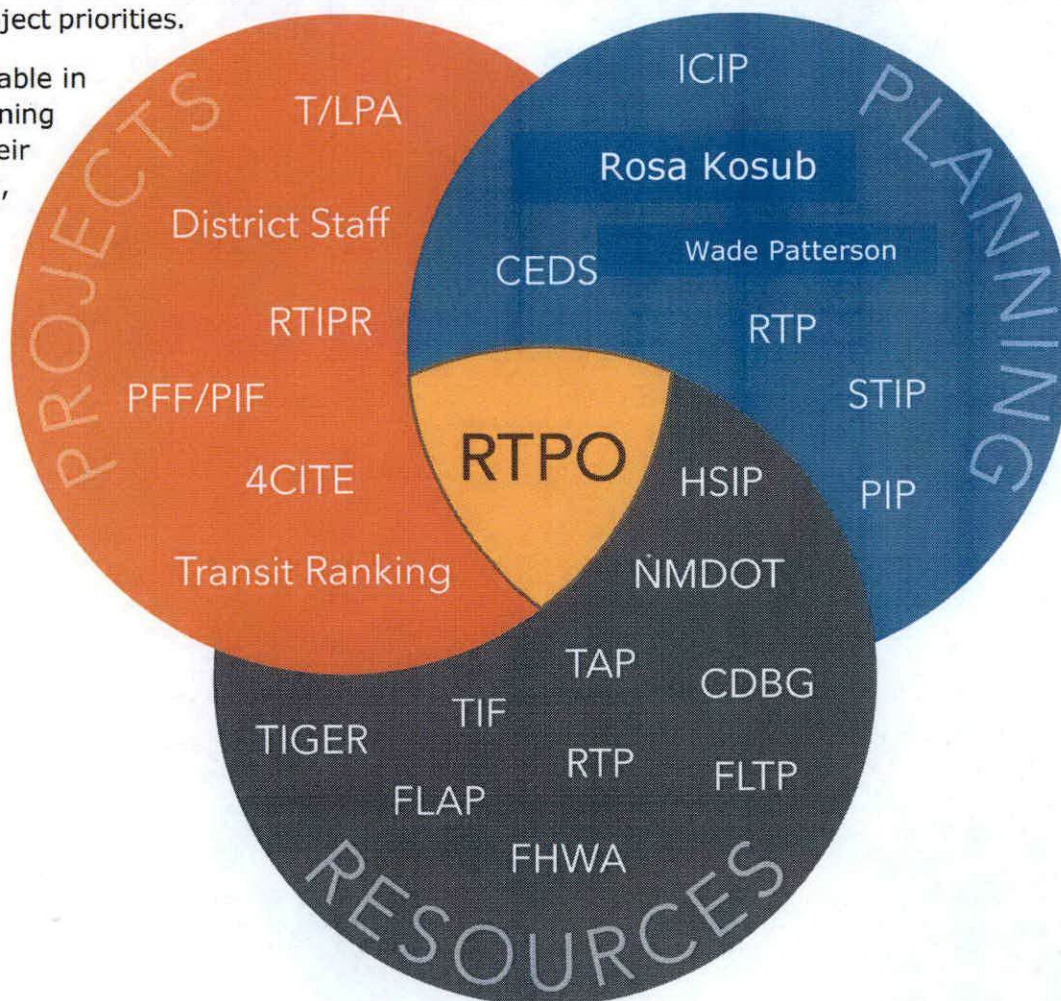
Spending time in Nature helps to **decrease high blood pressure**.

RTPO Involvement in STIP Development

There are several avenues by which local government members of NWRTPO can have projects moved onto the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). All projects must be consistent with the New Mexico Transportation Plan (NMTP) and this Regional Transportation Plan to be eligible to receive funding. When projects go through both the project feasibility phase and project identification phase, they will be prioritized based on consistency with the NMTP and RTP and weighted based on how well the project meets the goals, strategies and performance measures within these plans. Additionally, it is highly encouraged that any local plans include specific local project priorities.

The Regional Working Groups (RWG) have been invaluable in terms of providing a multi-modal perspective in the planning process. The NWRTPO would like to consider their ongoing participation in the implementation, evaluation, and updating of this Plan.

Amendments will be considered in a similar process as STIP Amendments, which must be time-sensitive, critical, and receive approval of the RTPO Committee. Amendments must also be consistent with the processes set forth in the NMTP.





Appendix 5: Resiliency (Working Draft)



Resiliency


Extreme weather, sea level change, and changes in environmental conditions threaten the considerable federal investment in transportation infrastructure. FHWA is working with States and metropolitan areas to increase the health and longevity of the Nation's Highways through:

- Assessing vulnerabilities
- Considering resilience in the transportation planning process
- Incorporating resilience in asset management plans
- Addressing resilience in project development and design
- Optimizing operations and maintenance practices

State and regional transportation agencies across the country are facing an increase in extreme weather events that damage roads, bridges and other transportation facilities. Heat waves, drought, storm surges and heavy downpours are becoming more frequent and severe. These climate change and extreme weather events pose significant risks to the safety, reliability, effectiveness, and sustainability of the Nation's transportation system. FHWA is now requiring that long-range transportation plans develop a Resiliency section and this section only is a start at working towards a full vulnerability assessment framework as shown herewithin.

Extreme weather events can profoundly impact transportation infrastructure. Adaptation involves adjusting the way the transportation community plans, designs, constructs, operates, and maintains transportation infrastructure to protect against impacts caused by changes in climate and extreme weather events. Creating a more resilient transportation system is a priority for FHWA and is consistent with a U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) policy statement in June 2011 on climate change adaptation. (See: <http://www.dot.gov/docs/climatepolicystatement.pdf>). The policy statement noted DOT's intention to integrate consideration of adaptation into its planning, operations, policies, and programs, and described some of the guiding principles.

From the Northwest New Mexico Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), below is a matrix of vulnerabilities both in terms of weather, natural disasters, as well as regional disruptions and national/international disruptions. It also identifies planning, programs, or projects that could reduce risk of these vulnerabilities.



Sustainability



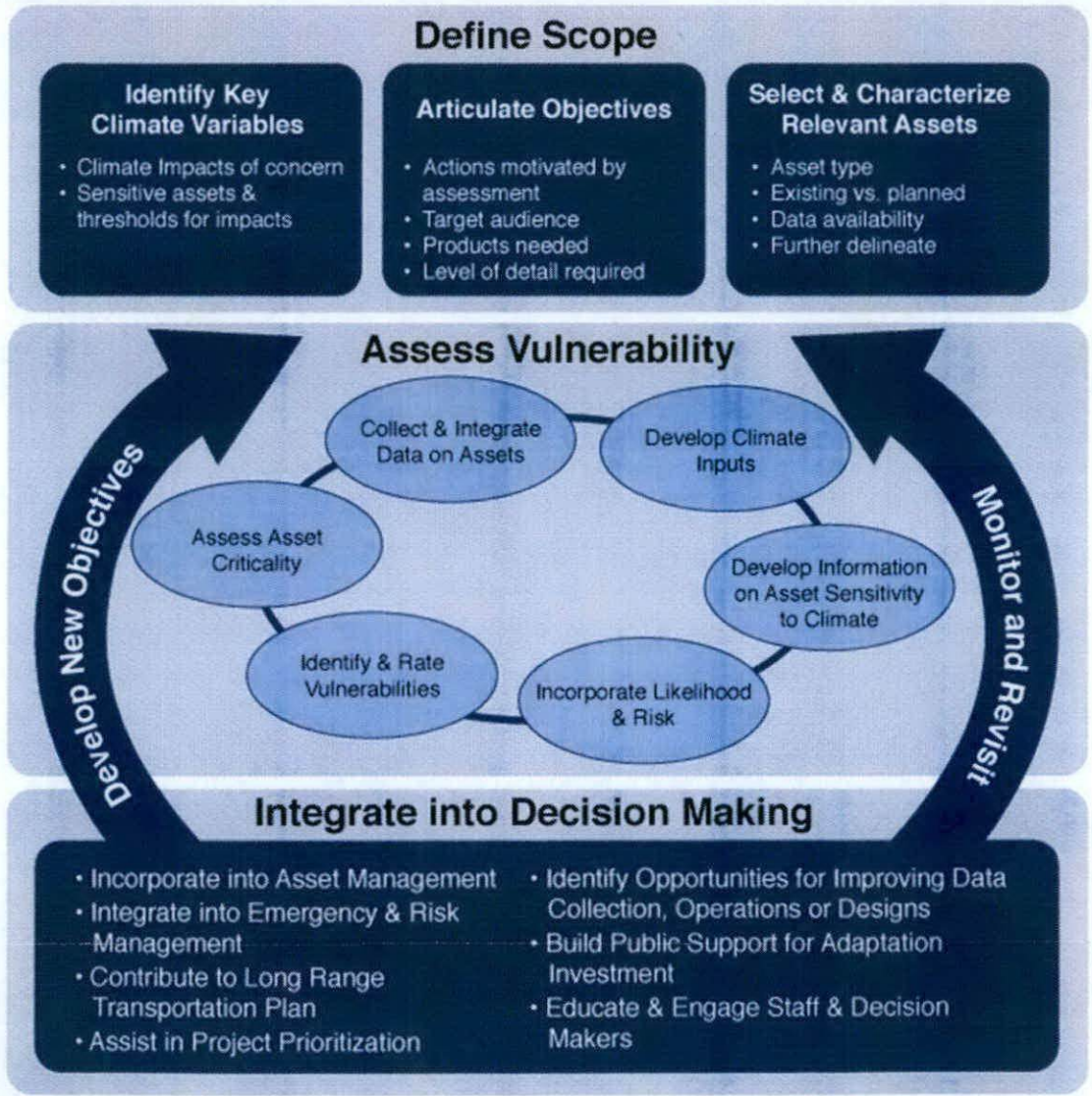
NM CEDS Economic Resiliency Matrix

Weather	Natural Disasters	Regional Disruptions	National/International Disruptions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flashfloods: Drainage Planning and project development across jurisdictions; properly sized culverts • Severe winter weather: clearing snow; inter-agency emergency agreements for road maintenance; food shortages; temporary shelters • Wind • Heat • Dust Storms: warning signs; soil treatments; working with property owners • Desertification: magnifies this issue and makes road improvements themselves more intensive. • Lack of Road Network and Emergency Routes: many communities only have one way in and out (need to build this into decisionmaking process) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drought- Drought Management Plan Water Conservation Plans; Regional/State Water Planning • Fire- Forest Thinning, Prescribed Burns, Fire Fighting Resources, Training • Flooding- Forest Restorations, Erosion Control, Watershed Management • Extreme Weather - Emergency Preparedness Plan • Earthquakes- Emergency Preparedness Plan, International Building Code • Spills- Gold King Mine spill 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boom/Bust Cycles of extractive industries- concerted effort to diversify regional economies • Contaminated water/food supply-EPA, NMED, National Guard • Infectious Disease Outbreak – NM Health Department, CDC • Hazardous Waste • Terrorism – Homeland Security <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Key Infrastructure Attack/Bombing (I-40, BNSF, natural gas pipelines, utilities) • Military Base/National Labs Reduction • Brownfields and Superfund Sites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oil overstock disrupting pricing markets • Global and National Recession • Climate Change- Paris Agreement • Lower cost of fuel/electricity • Energy alternatives • Reduction in Federal spending





Vulnerability Assessment Framework:



In FHWA’s 2013-2015 Climate Resilience Pilot Program: Outcomes, Lessons Learned, and Recommendations Report (July 2016), FHWA invested in a 2013-2015 Climate Resilience Pilot in Arizona, where the Arizona DOT (ADOT) team conducted a study to identify hotspots where highways are vulnerable to associated hazards from high temperatures, drought, and intense storms. The project focused on the Interstate corridor connecting Nogales, Tucson, Phoenix, and Flagstaff, which includes a variety of urban areas, landscapes, biotic communities, and climate zones and presents a range of weather conditions applicable to much of Arizona.

Illustrative project findings and key outcomes includes the following:
 “Because the study scope covered a 300-mile stretch of highway, it helped screen for areas that require a closer analysis of specific assets’ vulnerabilities. The study found that while temperature increases may reduce winter maintenance and operations costs, extreme heat may also require a reevaluation of design standards for heat-resistant pavement and affect protocols for construction windows and worker safety. The assessment also found that future precipitation and wildfire trends are uncertain, though increases in the magnitude of events could pose a threat to ADOT assets.”

Comments Received on the Northwest Regional Transportation Plan Update
(May-June 2017)

Type	Comment	RTPO Staff Recommendations
General	<p>General, in response to NWRTPO Member Perspective sheet: Comment 1 (C1): Need for a Tribal-oriented Cradle to Grave Training (BIA, NMDOT, FHWA) C2: Need to create a intergovernmental training pool C3: Need to create a better system of communication within NMDOT C4: Need clarification of lighting agreements C5: Need to create a MPO style funding mechanism for the region C6: Need to increase RTPO/COG budget to cover all aspects of their support C7: Better communication between local governments and the Planning Bureau</p>	<p>Recommended Responses: C1: This is a very good point. Recommendation will be passed on to NMDOT and added to our training request list. C2: Need help in understanding this better? But it definitely sounds like an objective under Goal #1 C3: This is explicitly supported in NMTP 2040 and roled down into Goal #1 in our RTP. C4: Recommendation will be passed on to NMDOT and added to our presentations request list. C5: Appreciate this point - need some direction on where it would applicable in the RTP. C6: Appreciate this point and the support. C7: This is explicitly supported in NMTP 2040 and roled down into Goal #1 in our RTP.</p>
Gramatic	<p>Comment 1 (C1): Page 1: Add a comma after Federal lands. C2: Page 12: referring to the NWNM Visitor Center in Grants: It has been renamed. I believe they are just calling it El Malpais Visitor Center now.</p>	<p>Recommended Responses: C1: Added C2: Changed</p>
General	<p>C1: Page 4: Gallup Land Partners: will there be any discussion on their development of recreational trails on a portion of their land? Also, as another economic driver. C2: Page 5: Should we consider adding in the possible study to pave the La Mosca Road as proposed by the Mayor of Grants and others to be the "highest" paved road in the state. A Group of people is working to push that project forward as a tourist destination for Grants C3: Page 12: Although it's new, did you want to include the Grants 7 Trails of Gold Geocaching event as it's a multi-trails type event with both motorized and non-motorized components. The plan for next year's event is to have an "auto Tour" from Grants to at least the Wolf Ranch in Candy Kitchen. As well as the OHVA trails for ATV, side-by-side, and off road motorcycle as well as hiking, biking, and equestrian trail events. C4: Page 17: I haven't heard more, but there is a 500 acre proposed Rt 66 Solar energy facility that may be build near san Fidel in 2019 that may increase traffic flow in that area. http://www.cibolabeacon.com/news/solar-energy-center-in-cibola-county/article_fd553010-e3eb-11e6-a721-fb5efd85ecff.html</p>	<p>Recommended Responses: Thank you for your comment. RTPO staff recommends that all suggested gramar and spelling errors be corrected. RTPO staff recommends working with NMDOT/Consultant Team on the format to provide better alignment and consistency. C1: This section of the document is meant to provide a scan of what has occurred or changed since 2007, since this initiative has not been approved or started it would be premature. This project is supported as part of Goal #5. C2: This section of the document is meant to provide a scan of what has occurred or changed since 2007, since this initiative has not been approved or started it would be premature. Also, staff was encouraged not to include specific projects but to capture the goals and objectives of individual projects, so that they could be reflected in the goals. This project is supported as part of Goal #5. C3: To incorporate all types of recreation and sporting events, staff changed language from mountain biking and rodeo events to recreation and sporting events so that it is more inclusive to all types of events. C4: Great news! We will add a sentence to Page 13 under strategic energy corridor to reflect regional growth in renewables. "Over the last decade and especially in the last few years, there has been a large uptick in renewable energy projects including but not limited to Red Mesa Wind Farm and PNM solar projects."</p>



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Agenda Item V: NMDOT 2018 Rail Plan Update

Subject: Update from NMDOT Transit & Rail Division for the 2018 Rail Plan

Presented by: Mr. Dave Nelson, NMDOT Transit & Rail Division

Date: 6/14/17

BACKGROUND

- **Why?** The NMDOT Transit and Rail Division supports public transportation via rail and transit, along with Rail Freight movement in and through New Mexico.
- **Purpose.** The DOT periodically updates its statewide Rail Plan, supporting passenger and freight movement both within our state, and national rail freight movement, with the major BNSF east – west national rail corridor through our state and directly through our region.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** Mr. Nelson will present the 2018 NM Rail Plan update to our RTPO members.

WORK TO DATE

- The NM DOT is completing the FY18 Rail Plan Update
- RTPO staff contributed to planning for the 4-CITE initiative related to rail and trucking freight movement for our region, along with a super truck center.

ANTICIPATED WORK

- Mr. Nelson will report on the status of the Rail Plan update
- RTPO staff may coordinate member feedback and comments and submit these formally to Mr. Nelson.

ATTACHMENTS

- Rail Plan Presentation

BUDGET IMPACT

- none

ACTION ITEM

- No action at this time, informational item only.

2018 New Mexico State Rail Plan

Northwest RTPO

June 14, 2017



Why Develop a Rail Plan?

- Required by the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (PRIIA)
- Required to receive future funding from Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)
- Coordinates with New Mexico's Long Range Transportation and Freight Plans

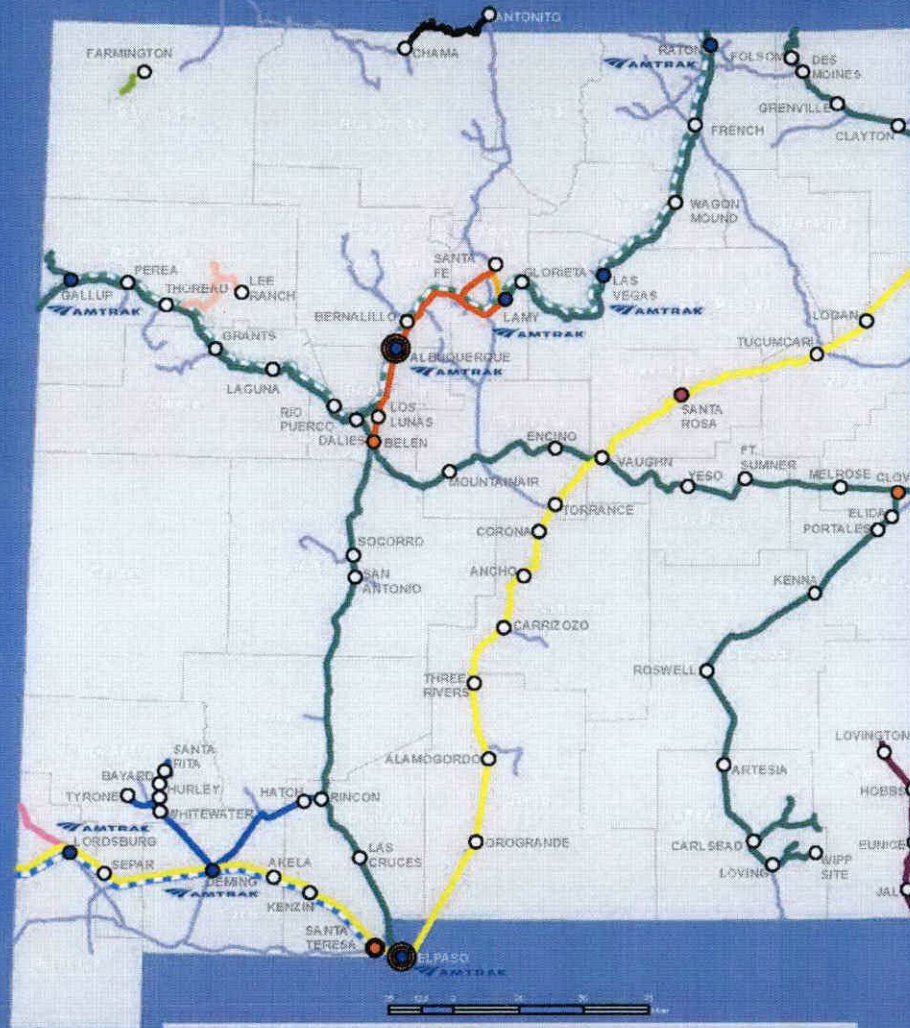
Purposes of Rail Plan

- Describes State Rail resources
- Sets forth State policy regarding passenger and freight rail transportation
- Presents priorities and strategies to enhance rail service that benefits the public
- Serves as the basis for Federal and State rail investments

Rail Plan Contents

- Vision, goals and objectives
 - ✓ Guide actions, programs, prioritizations
 - ✓ Provide linkages to State Transportation Plans
- Rail systems inventory and assessment
 - ✓ System inventory (freight and passenger)
 - ✓ Performance assessment
 - ✓ Issues and opportunities
 - ✓ Current and future needs
- Planning for the future
 - ✓ Prioritization of investments
 - ✓ Economic, environmental, community factors
 - ✓ Implementation of plan

New Mexico Railroad Map



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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Arizona Eastern (AZER) | NMRX | AMTRAK Sunset Limited |
| BNSF Railway (BNSF) | Navajo Mine Railroad | AMTRAK Southwest Chief |
| Cumbres and Toltec Scenic (C&T'S) | Southwestern (SW) | |
| Escalante Western (EW) | Texas - New Mexico (TXN) | |
| Santa Fe Southern (SFS) | Union Pacific (UP) | |
| | Abandoned Line | |
| Town | AMTRAK | Automotive Ramp |
| | Major Yard | Intermodal Ramp |



Rail Plan Process

- Stakeholder outreach to determine needs, issues, and priorities
- Public involvement
- Public and stakeholder review and comment
- Draft rail plan
- Final rail plan submitted to Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for approval
- Update plan every 4 years

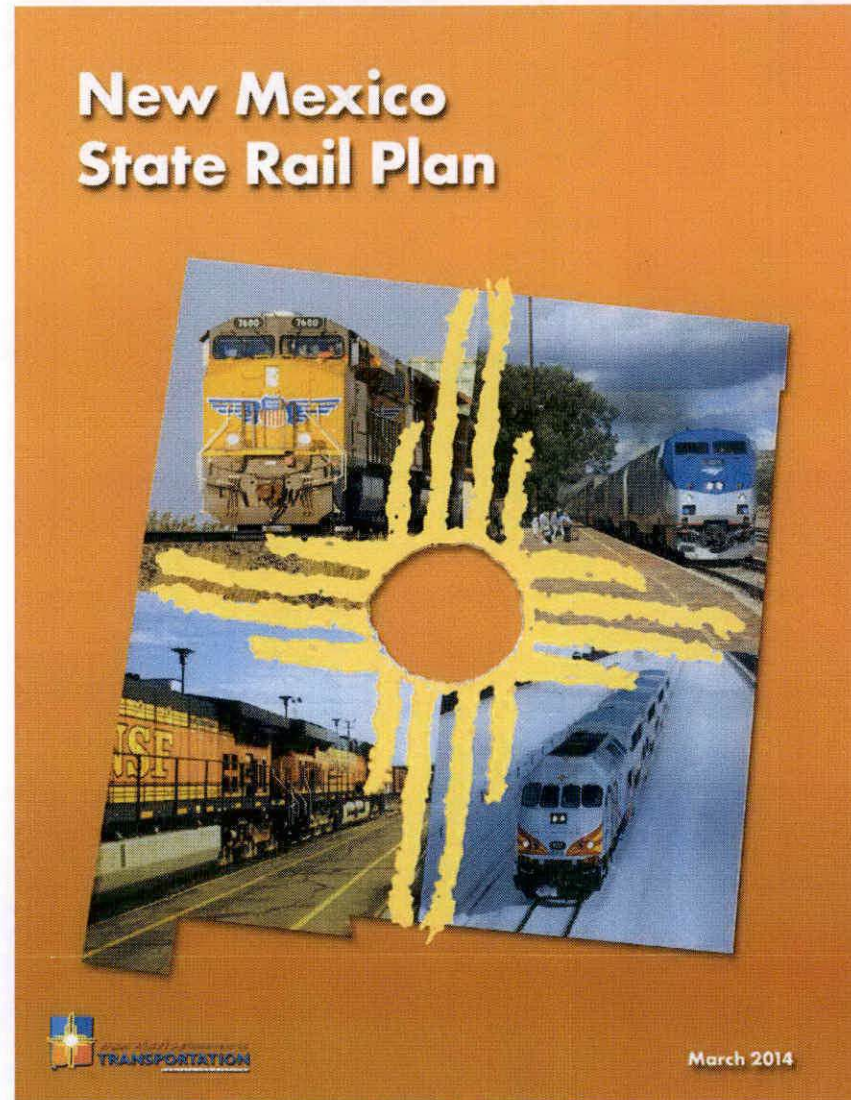
Rail Plan Schedule

2018 New Mexico State Rail Plan Schedule																				
	2017									2018										
	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	
Stakeholder Outreach	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█									
Public Meetings											█									
Draft Rail Plan Preparation												█	█	█						
Public Review															█					
Final Plan																█	█			
FRA Review and Approval																		█	█	

Public Involvement

- Initial outreach to MPOs and RTPOs in Summer of 2017
- Public meetings for pending Draft Rail Plan - mid 2018
- Second round of presentations to MPOs and RTPOs - mid 2018
- Transit and Rail Page on NMDOT Website - <http://dot.state.nm.us/content/nmdot/en.html>
 - Previous Rail Plan
 - Link to On-Line Rail Survey
 - Public Presentation Schedule
 - Additional information
- Email Comments and Questions: Rail.Plan@state.nm.us

2014 New Mexico State Rail Plan



2014 Rail Plan

Vision Statement

The State of New Mexico's vision for its rail network is a fully-integrated and safe multimodal passenger rail system that provides efficient passenger services to, from, and within the state; provides a competitive option for New Mexico shippers; is a vital component of the national transportation network; and supports sustainable, inclusive economic development statewide.

2014 Rail Plan Statewide Goals

Four main goals for rail in New Mexico:

1. Support economic growth and development;
2. Improve railroad safety and security;
3. Maintain railroad assets in a state of good repair;
and
4. Promote efficient passenger rail service

Goal: Support Economic Growth and Development

- Increase capacity of long-distance freight corridors
- Develop and promote local freight connections
- Promote rail-related tourism
- Link rail investments to strategies that support economic development

Goal: Improve Railroad Safety and Security

- Positive Train Control (PTC)
- Develop and implement other mandatory safety-related measures
- Improve highway-rail grade crossing safety
- Improve rail security

Goal: Maintain Railroad Assets in a State of Good Repair

- Improve the conditions of the state's Class III rail lines
- Maintain/improve the conditions of the NMRX rail lines

Goal: Promote Efficient Passenger Rail Service

- Improve passenger rail options in New Mexico as part of a multimodal transportation system
- Improve Rail Runner operations
- Identify stable and predictable funding for Rail Runner and NMRX rail lines

2014 Rail Plan Stakeholder Statewide Issues

- Passenger rail service improvements
 - Existing Rail Runner alignment
 - New commuter/regional passenger rail
 - High speed/intercity passenger rail
- Support local economic development
- Grade crossing safety
- Positive Train Control (PTC)
- Santa Teresa border crossing

2014 Rail Plan Projects Impacting NWRTPO Region

- Inland Ports
- Potential Farmington Freight Rail Link

Factors Affecting Prioritization of Project Funding

- Need to maintain the State's existing railroad infrastructure in a state of good repair
- Need to comply with Federal safety mandates
- Limited overall public funding from Federal, State and local sources
- Restrictions on use of available Federal funding
- Anti-Donation Clause

Major Developments Since 2014

- Santa Teresa intermodal facility opened in 2014
- BNSF double-tracking projects completed through New Mexico in 2016
- New transload facilities in Albuquerque's South Valley being developed
- TIGER Grant funds are being used to replace railroad ties on NMDOT track used by Amtrak Southwest Chief in 2017
- Intermodal facilities underway being developed along BNSF Transcon (Gallup, Los Lunas)
- New rail-served facilities being developed in southeast New Mexico

We Want Your Comments On

- Vision Statement
- Rail projects and priorities
- Funding mechanisms for rail
- Rail policy

E-mail: Rail.Plan@state.nm.us

Thank You



Please send comments and questions to:

Rail.Plan@state.nm.us



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Agenda Item #VI:

NWRTPO Regional Work Program Status Report

Subject: RWP Monthly Report

Prepared by: Robert Kuipers

Date: 6/6/17

BACKGROUND

Why? Due to a NMDOT Office of Inspector General (OIG) Audit and subsequent findings, NWRTPO staff met with NMDOT Planning Bureau staff to develop a corrective action plan (CAP).

Purpose. As part of our CAP RTPO staff will provide monthly reports showing line item budget expenditures and staff hours in comparison with the approved Regional Work Program (RWP) Budget.

Discussion/Finalization. Based on this monthly analysis and report, staff will better manage time and funding investment, and assess where and when to seek a RWP amendment if needed.

WORK TO DATE

- RTPO staff met with NMDOT staff on 12/7/16 to review a draft corrective action plan, detailing specific actions and controls in a number of areas to assure stronger compliance to the RWP budgeted time and financial allocations.
- The Corrective Action Plan has been finalized and is now being executed.
- RTPO staff have provided reports at monthly meetings: January – June 2017
- In Quarter 2, RTPO staff submitted Amendment #1 to modify our hours per function and annual RTPO FFY17 budget, as approved by the RTPO Committee (February 2017). A copy of the FHWA/NMDOT approval of this amendment was attached.

ANTICIPATED WORK

- Ongoing reports to the NWRTPO members at monthly meetings.
- RWP amendment requests may be anticipated, as time and budget demands may vary as the fiscal year progresses.
- Our annual Quality Assurance Review (QAR) occurred on April 12th, which provided a good check-up on how the RTPO is performing.

ATTACHMENTS

- RWP & Budget Monthly Report

BUDGET IMPACT

- None.

ACTION ITEM

- This is a monthly report item only.

RTPO APER Budgeted Staff Hours Summary

Staff Hours Summary FFY17													
Function	Budgeted Hours	Amendment #1	Change	Q1	Q2	April	May	June	Q3	Q4	Total Actual hours	Hours Remaining	Percentage budgeted differs from actuals*
1	300	250	-50	82.75	59.5	32	22		54	0	196.25	53.75	-21.50%
2	100	200	100	64.50	8.25	10	3		13	0	85.75	114.25	-57.13%
3	400	400	0	209.75	30.25	7	5.75		12.75	0	252.75	147.25	-36.81%
4	400	250	-150	64.25	71	33.5	25		58.5	0	193.75	56.25	-22.50%
5	400	600	200	196.00	221.5	48.5	69.75		118.25	0	535.75	64.25	-10.71%
6	400	300	-100	80.50	46	31	2		33	0	159.50	140.50	-46.83%
TOTAL	2000	2000	0	697.75	436.5	162	127.5		289.5	0	1423.75	576.25	-28.81%

*if budgeted hours differ from actual hours by more than 20% in any function, provide a narrative explanation below

Explanation: #3 - project dev. & monitoring required more investment during RTIPR / DOT District RTIP period (1st - 2nd quarters); #5 - general support continues to capture the most monthly staff support activity.

Staff Hours Summary FFY18													
Function	Budgeted Hours			Q1	Q2				Q3	Q4	Total Actual hours		Percentage budgeted differs from actuals*
1	0			0.00	0				0	0	0		#DIV/0!
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3	0			0.00	0				0	0	0		#DIV/0!
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5	0			0.00	0				0	0	0		#DIV/0!
6	0			0.00	0				0	0	0		#DIV/0!
TOTAL	0			0.00	0				0	0	0		#DIV/0!

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Explanation:

RTPO APER Budget Summary by Line item

FFY17 Budget Summary by Line Item															
Line Item	Budgeted	Amendment #1	Change	Q1	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Q2	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Q3	Q4	Actual	Percentage budgeted differs from actuals*
Personnel	\$ 81,774.00	\$ 81,774.00	\$ -	\$ 22,677.57	\$ 4,689.80	\$ 4,689.80	\$ 4,689.80	\$ 11,365.17	\$ 3,653.30	\$ 4,282.23	\$ -	\$ 7,935.53	\$ -	\$ 41,978.27	-48.67%
Wages & Salaries	\$ 67,843.00	\$ 67,843.00	\$ -	\$ 18,930.18	\$ 3,492.99	\$ 3,492.99	\$ 3,492.99	\$ 10,478.97	\$ 3,220.03	\$ 3,743.43	\$ -	\$ 6,963.46	\$ -	\$ 36,372.61	-46.39%
Fringe Benefits (12.6%)	\$ 8,308.00	\$ 8,308.00	\$ -	\$ 2,569.77	\$ 901.41	\$ 901.41	\$ 901.41	\$ -	\$ 149.21	\$ 210.45	\$ -	\$ 359.66	\$ -	\$ 2,929.43	-64.74%
Payroll Taxes (5.3%)	\$ 3,495.00	\$ 3,495.00	\$ -	\$ 1,177.62	\$ 295.40	\$ 295.40	\$ 295.40	\$ 886.20	\$ 284.06	\$ 328.35	\$ -	\$ 612.41	\$ -	\$ 2,676.23	-23.43%
Annual Leave Accrual	\$ 2,128.00	\$ 2,128.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-100.00%
Travel & Training	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ 1,014.48	\$ 52.89	\$ 230.05	\$ 351.31	\$ 634.25	\$ 6.00	\$ 70.52	\$ -	\$ 76.52	\$ -	\$ 1,725.25	-65.93%
Registration	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 110.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110.00	-94.50%
Vehicle Mileage Cost	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 198.66	\$ 52.89	\$ 199.52	\$ 351.31	\$ 603.72	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 802.38	-19.76%
Travel & Per Diem	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ 705.82	\$ -	\$ 30.53	\$ -	\$ 30.53	\$ 6.00	\$ 70.52	\$ -	\$ 76.52	\$ -	\$ 812.87	-63.74%
Office Expenses	\$ 2,850.00	\$ 5,475.00	\$ 2,625.00	\$ 1,607.67	\$ 177.12	\$ 190.53	\$ 89.08	\$ 456.73	\$ 476.06	\$ 299.11	\$ -	\$ 775.17	\$ -	\$ 2,839.57	-92.47%
Office Supplies	\$ 975.00	\$ 975.00	\$ -	\$ 195.58	\$ 104.29	\$ 62.01	\$ 21.46	\$ 187.76	\$ 85.66	\$ 188.12	\$ -	\$ 273.78	\$ -	\$ 657.12	-32.60%
Office Furniture & Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Duplication & Copying	\$ 175.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,425.00	\$ 454.48	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 83.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 83.51	\$ -	\$ 537.99	-606.86%
Printing	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-100.00%
Postage & Delivery	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 45.56	\$ -	\$ 4.44	\$ -	\$ 4.44	\$ 16.32	\$ 17.12	\$ -	\$ 33.44	\$ -	\$ 83.44	-233.12%
Meetings	\$ 275.00	\$ 275.00	\$ -	\$ 185.11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 185.11	-32.69%
Advertising	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 373.70	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 179.90	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 179.90	\$ -	\$ 553.60	10.72%
Subscriptions & Dues	\$ 250.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 178.51	\$ -	\$ 51.86	\$ -	\$ 51.86	\$ 18.00	\$ 19.17	\$ -	\$ 37.17	\$ -	\$ 267.54	-292.98%
Telephone & Telecom	\$ 500.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 174.73	\$ 72.83	\$ 72.22	\$ 67.62	\$ 212.67	\$ 92.67	\$ 74.70	\$ -	\$ 167.37	\$ -	\$ 554.77	-49.05%
Computer Software	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Facility Expenses	\$ 7,446.00	\$ 7,446.00	\$ -	\$ 1,876.24	\$ 679.53	\$ 568.33	\$ 1,196.11	\$ 2,443.97	\$ 399.75	\$ 412.95	\$ -	\$ 812.70	\$ -	\$ 5,132.91	-31.06%
Insurance	\$ 1,136.00	\$ 1,136.00	\$ -	\$ 602.83	\$ 33.48	\$ 33.48	\$ 345.80	\$ 412.76	\$ -	\$ 35.27	\$ -	\$ 35.27	\$ -	\$ 1,050.86	-7.49%
Facility Maintenance	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	\$ 197.74	\$ 278.38	\$ 156.65	\$ 469.77	\$ 904.80	\$ 65.02	\$ 69.23	\$ -	\$ 134.25	\$ -	\$ 1,236.79	-1.06%
Rent	\$ 3,060.00	\$ 3,060.00	\$ -	\$ 765.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 765.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 255.00	\$ -	\$ 510.00	\$ -	\$ 2,040.00	-33.33%
Utility	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 310.67	\$ 112.67	\$ 123.20	\$ 125.54	\$ 361.41	\$ 79.73	\$ 53.45	\$ -	\$ 133.18	\$ -	\$ 805.26	-59.74%
Purchased Services	\$ 4,760.00	\$ 3,989.59	\$ (770.41)	\$ 1,694.59	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 722.23	\$ 722.23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,416.82	-33.04%
Audit	\$ 2,465.00	\$ 1,694.59	\$ (770.41)	\$ 1,694.59	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 722.23	\$ 722.23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,416.82	-29.30%
Internship -General	\$ 1,565.00	\$ 1,565.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-100.00%
Professional Services - General	\$ 730.00	\$ 730.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-100.00%
Other (Internship-RTPO Specific)	\$ 1,420.00	\$ 565.41	\$ (854.59)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-39.82%
TOTAL	\$ 106,250.00	\$ 106,250.00	\$ -	\$ 28,870.55	\$ 5,599.34	\$ 5,678.71	\$ 7,048.53	\$ 18,326.58	\$ 4,535.11	\$ 5,064.81	\$ -	\$ 9,599.92	\$ -	\$ 54,092.82	-49.09%

*If any line item differs from actual amount by more than 20%, provide a narrative explanation below

Explanation:

FFY18 Budget Summary by Line Item															
Line Item (use categories from your FFY16 budget)	Budgeted			Q1				Q2				Q3	Q4	Actual	Percentage budgeted differs from actuals*
Personnel	\$ 82,750.00			0				0				0	0	0	-100.00%
Travel & Training	\$ 7,000.00			0				0				0	0	0	-100.00%
Facility Expenses	\$ 7,500.00			0				0				0	0	0	-100.00%
Purchased Services	\$ 3,500.00			0				0				0	0	0	-100.00%
Other (Internship-RTPO Specific)	\$ 2,500.00			0				0				0	0	0	-100.00%
TOTAL	\$ 106,250.00			0				0				0	0	0	-100.00%

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Explanation:

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**Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization
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**Agenda Item #VII - IX: Routine Items Section – Reports,
Updates & Announcements, New Business, Calendar**

Subject: Discussion / Presentation Items

Prepared by: Robert Kuipers, NWRTPO

Date: 6/6/17

BACKGROUND

- **Why?** Update RTPO members on news, training, funding, and other items of special interest
- **Purpose.** Keep RTPO members up to date on critical information from NWRTPO and NMDOT sources

Informational Items

RTPO Report:

- Provides regional news and updates

Member Special Reports:

- None submitted prior to the meeting

NMDOT Reports:

- DOT Planning Unit – Govt. to Govt. Weekly Updates
- US-DOT & FHWA Reports
- Reports from DOT Liaison staff

New Business / Open Floor:

- No formal requests submitted

Calendar & Announcements / Training & Funding Opportunities:

- Cites upcoming events & news of interest along with training or funding opportunities

Next Meetings:

- Cites dates and locations for next three upcoming meetings



A PROGRAM OF Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments

NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization

Monthly Report – May 2017

- A. **FFY18 RTIPR/ZIPPER:** Over the past several months, RTPO staff, along with NMDOT and District staff, have completed the Call for Transportation Projects process. In March, RTPO staff assembled and facilitated our District 6 ZIPPER meeting to “zip up” projects from Southwest RTPO and Mid-Region RTPO into one priority list. This document is available on our website at: <http://www.nwnmcog.com/important-documents.html> The NMDOT District 5 RTIP / zipper is anticipated for September, 2017 including projects from MRRTPO (Torrence County), NPRTPO (Santa Fe, Taos, Rio Arriba & Los Alamos Counties), and NWRTPO (San Juan County and Northern Navajo)
- B. **Annual RTPO Documents:** RTPO staff assisted the Committee in updating annual documents that govern and guide the RTPO function and process. These documents included: NWRTPO Bylaws, Title VI Plan, Open Meetings Act Resolution, and Public Participation Plan. The RTPO also continues updating the official member roster and has produced and published an annual meeting schedule for May, 2017 – April 2018. **An update to the NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan is now in progress.**
- C. **Member Government RTPO Orientations:** RTPO staff continue working with members to provide an RTPO orientation session to local and tribal elected and department officials. At this point RTPO staff have presented to all our member govt.’s except San Juan, Cibola and Zuni, which are anticipated soon. The presentation demonstrates how the NWRTPO serves more cost and time effective development of transportation infrastructure, services and assets through local government collaboration with the NMDOT.
- D. **Johnson Road:** RTPO staff continue providing support to advance this McKinley County road project that provides access from US491 into the Twin Lakes Chapter of the Navajo Nation area. After years of cross-jurisdictional process, a groundbreaking ceremony is anticipated for June 15 for this project to chipseal and improve this road.
- E. **McKinley County Road Forum:** Robert Kuipers, Planning Assistant, was recruited to assist the County in planning another road forum to train especially Chapter Managers in the diverse local, tribal, State, and national transportation processes, including funding, project management, and grant administration. This Forum took place on June 13 at the El Morro Theatre and Event Center in downtown Gallup.
- F. **GIS Data Gathering and Compiling Work:** Carrie House continues to gather data from member entities and compile useable layers onto ArcGIS at the COG office. She contributes mapping support and represents a valuable addition to the COG, increasing technical support capacities for the NWRTPO. She continues to contribute to transit and transportation infrastructure mapping.
- G. **Zuni Mountains Trails Project:** RTPO staff organized a signing ceremony on May 31st to celebrate the USFS’s signing of the Decision Notice and final Finding of No Significant Impact on the associated trail system project. At this ceremony, NMDOT provided news that two segments of this trail system were funded (RTP): 30 miles of the Quartz Hill segment in Cibola County (\$831,545), and 36 miles of the McGaffey & Milk Ranch segment in McKinley County (\$945,670). The Pueblo of Laguna also received funding (TAP) for two segments of the NM124 Bike & Pedestrian trail – total FY18: \$264,864; total FY20: \$982,560.
- H. **Regional Transportation Plan Update:** The NWRTPO updated the Northwest NM RTP. We have requested input from members on key issues needing to be addressed in the RTP update. This will be presented in June for approval.

Grants signing ceremony marks Zuni Mountains Trail milestones

By Kathy Helms
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GRANTS — In a celebratory signing ceremony Wednesday, Mount Taylor District Ranger Alvin Whitehair wrapped up 20 years of efforts by local governments, outdoor enthusiasts and U.S. Sen. Martin Heinrich to create the Zuni Mountains Trail System and stimulate adventure tourism in Northwest New Mexico.

The invitation-only event at El Malpais Visitor Center, sponsored by the Zuni Mountain Trails Partnership, was a fitting segue into Saturday's National Trails Day.

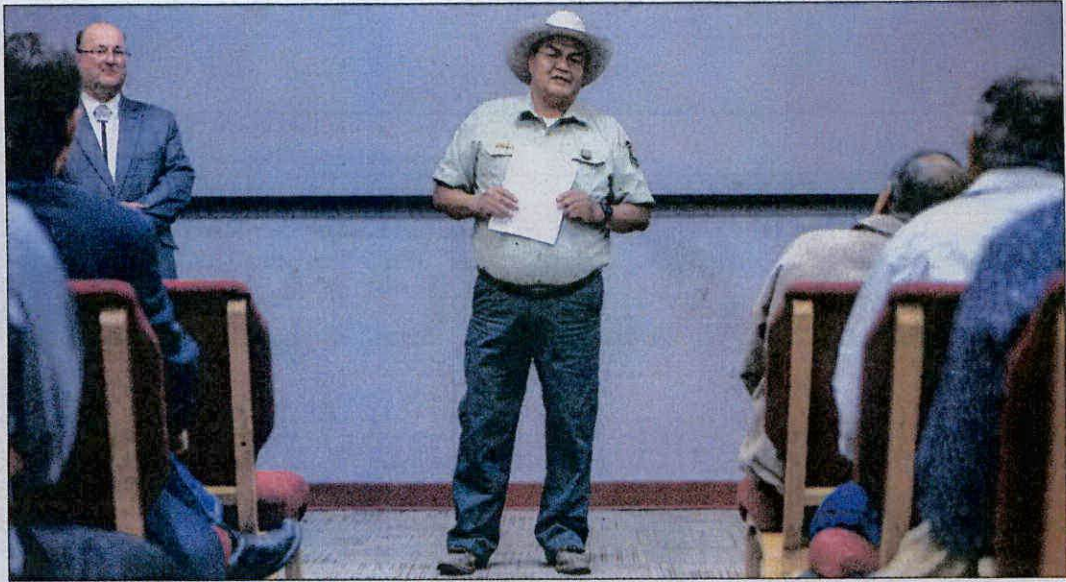
In 1968, President Lyndon Johnson signed the National Trails System Act and officially designated the Appalachian and Pacific Crest National Scenic Trails. Today, there are nearly 60,000 miles of trails that link historic sites, wildlife refuges, national parks, national forests, and wilderness areas while providing the public with access to the outdoors.

"When complete, the Zuni Mountains Trail System will have 186 miles of loop trails," Whitehair said. "The trails will be managed for multiple use, including horseback riding, mountain biking and hiking."

Working together

The Zuni Mountain Trails Partnership was established in the mid-1990s to address mountain bike use, with Cibola and McKinley counties eventually invited as cooperating agencies to facilitate conflict resolution between the various user groups.

"I remember when the mountain bikers and equestrian groups were kind of having a difficult time," Whitehair said, noting that McKinley County Attorney Doug Decker got them in a room together and let them "battle it out."



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U.S. Forest Service Ranger Alvin Whitehair addresses a crowd during a signing ceremony for Zuni Mountain Trails Project at El Malpais Visitors Center in Grants Wednesday.

It was one of the best things they ever did, Whitehair said. "They realized they were after the same thing but seeing it from different viewpoints."

The final environmental assessment, draft decision notice and finding of no significant impact was released in March, kicking off a 45-day objection period. No objections were received.

"I attribute this to your willingness to work together and find solutions," Whitehair said. "Collaboration is important, and that's the key."

A draft master plan — which Evan Williams, deputy director of Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments, Decker and other groups have been working on — will outline costs and potential funding strategies.

It is hoped that the Zuni Mountains Trail System will become an economic driver through adventure tourism with the end goal of catalyzing jobs and business opportunities. It also will serve as an outdoor classroom to introduce youth to nature, provide experiential learning, and teach work and life skills, Whitehair said. Long-term goals are to develop sustainable trail networks that will earn recognition by the International Mountain Biking Association.

Forward thinking

Approximately \$1.6 million has been raised for the project so far. Work will get underway this year, beginning on the Gallup side of the trail, followed by the Cibola side in 2018, Decker said.

"We see this as being a long-term economic advantage for our counties and our cities," he said.

Heinrich, D-N.M., who performed the ceremonial ribbon-cutting, said he spent five of the best summers of his life in the Zuni Mountains.

"I used to recruit to get kids to come to Cottonwood Gulch expeditions from all over the country. I would travel to California, I would travel from Boston down to Washington, D.C., and I would tell people about western New Mexico," he said. "I would tell them stories and show them pictures of the Zuni Mountains and El Malpais and Mount Taylor and the pueblos — and it would capture the peoples' imaginations."

"We have a \$6 billion outdoor rec industry in the state of New Mexico. We need to get more of that working in western New Mexico to benefit all of the residents here," he said. "I think this is the biggest concrete step forward for that

in many, many years."

Wade Patterson, with the New Mexico Department of Transportation's Planning Division, said the agency has a couple different pots of money it uses in support of developing recreational trails. But getting that funding is highly competitive. Two things they look at are community buy-in and economic development. With the Zuni Mountains Trail Project, the community buy-in was evident, he said.

Additionally, the project leverages public investment to create an amenity the communities can build off of for recreational tourism, Patterson said.

"This is particularly important in our rural parts of our state, especially with economies that are largely built on oil and gas, extractive energy," which is subject to bust and boom, he said. "The more we can diversify our economies, the more stable they are in time and we can weather those busts in between boom times."

He commended those involved for being forward-thinking.

"We're excited to be a partner, to play a support role for McKinley County, for the city of Grants and Cibola County to get these projects on the ground," Patterson said. "Let's build some trails!"

Dignitaries attending the ceremony included former Gallup Mayor Bob Rosebrough, Grants Mayor Martin "Modey" Hicks, former Acoma Gov. Conrad Lucero, Cibola County Manager Tony Boyd and Commissioner Martha Garcia, Cibola National Forest Supervisor Elaine Kohrman, National Park Service Superintendent Mitzi Frank, and New Mexico Transportation Commissioner Jackson Gibson.

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Fw: FY18 Budget Award Packets - Public Transportation
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Attached for your awareness, electronic and hard file records is a listing of the FY18 5310 and 5311 public transportation awards, along with additional public transportation information.

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Subject: FY18 Budget Award Packets

TO: FY 18 SECTION 5310 and 5311 APPLICANTS, MPO'S AND RPO'S

**RE: 2018 STATEWIDE TRANSIT APPLICATION/RPO PRIORITIZATION AND BUDGET AWARD
RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Budget Award Packet has been posted to the Transit and Rail website. Click on the following link to access:

http://dot.state.nm.us/content/dam/nmdot/Transit_Rail/FY18FinalAwardPacketRecommendations5310and5311.pdf

As a reminder, The FY 18 Statewide Transit Application/RPO Prioritization And Budget Award Recommendation Meeting will be held Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Transit and Rail Division located at: **1350 Alta Vista Street, Building SB4 (second floor), Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504.**

Attendance at the meeting is not mandatory. Those unable to attend can call into the meeting with the following:

DAIL: 641-715-3580

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Looking forward to seeing you there!!

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New Mexico Department of Transportation
Transit and Rail Division

**FY 2018 Statewide Transit
Application/RPO Prioritization and
Budget Award Recommendation Meeting**

May 25, 2017 – 10:00 AM

NMDOT, Transit and Rail Division, 1350 Alta Vista (SB4), 2nd floor
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

AGENDA
FY 2018 Statewide Transit
Application/RPO Prioritization and Preliminary Budget Award Recommendation Meeting

Welcome and Introductions

Overview

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities Transportation Services

- Review of §5310 Budget Requests and Regional Prioritization
- Budget Recommendations
- Questions and/or discussion

Section 5311 Rural Public Transit

- Review of §5311 Budget Requests and Regional Prioritization
- Funding Distribution Index and Ranking
- Budget Recommendations
- Admin/Operating Ratio – Changes to FY 18 Budget Awards
- Questions and/or discussion

Next Steps to Finalize FY 18 Budgets

- Memorandum of Agreements will be sent out in summer for signatures
- Line item budgets will be completed in eGMPS by September 30, 2017
- FY18 Begins October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018
- All FY18 Section 5310 and Section 5311 program management will be conducted using eGMPS

AGENDA

FY 2018 Statewide Transit

Application/RPO Prioritization and Preliminary Budget Award Recommendation Meeting

Other Business

- FY 19 Application Process
- Electronic Grants Management System (eGMPS)
- Vehicle Disposition Changes
- Transit Asset Management (TAM) and Fleet Mixing
- FY 17 Site Visits
- Drug and Alcohol Policy Reviews
- Title VI Updates
- DBE Reporting
- NTD Reporting
- June 6, 2017 Training Topics – Maintenance Record Keeping/ADA Complementary Paratransit
- NMDOT Transit and Rail Website – http://dot.state.nm.us/content/nmdot/en/Transit_Rail.html

Questions??

**ESTIMATED FEDERAL TRANSIT GRANT BALANCES
FY 2018**

Grant Type	Requests for Federal Funds	Availability of Federal Funds	Federal Funds Recommended	Balance of Federal Funds
Section 5310 - Total Federal	\$2,899,338.25	\$3,454,399.00	\$1,904,189.29	\$1,550,209.71
-Section 5310 - Rural	\$471,851.06	\$1,244,728.00	\$432,087.06	\$812,640.94
-Section 5310 - Albuquerque	\$1,429,170.28	\$866,236.00	\$761,615.08	\$104,620.92
-Section 5310 - Small Urban	\$998,316.91	\$1,343,435.00	\$710,487.15	\$632,947.85
Sections 5311 and 5339 - Total Federal	\$14,419,785.28	\$12,421,357.00	\$11,812,340.76	\$609,016.24
-Section 5311 Administration/Operating	\$11,195,022.08	\$10,562,915.00	\$10,116,130.36	\$446,784.64
-Section 5339 Capital	\$3,224,763.20	\$1,858,442.00	\$1,696,210.40	\$162,231.60
TOTAL	\$17,319,123.53	\$15,875,756.00	\$13,716,530.04	\$2,159,225.96

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Here is another report from the FHWA Office of Planning, Environment and Realty.

The Cultural Corridor Consortium Grant below brings to mind the recent scenic turn out that the Pueblo of Acoma built.

Lots of news and resources in these reports.

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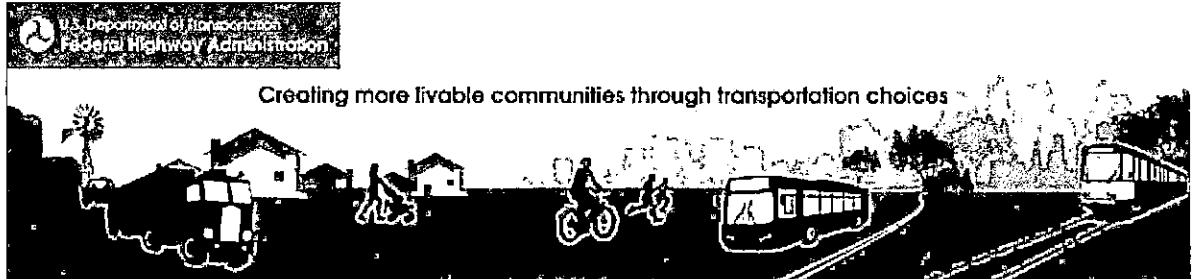
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Human Environment Digest 5/4/17

05/04/2017



May 4, 2017

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Welcome to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Office of Human Environment biweekly email digest. This digest shares the latest information from a range of Federal and non-Federal sources, addressing transportation and its relationship to the human environment. Through this information exchange, FHWA hopes to foster dialogue at all levels and continue to further the state of the practice on these important topics.

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- [May 6-9, 2017](#): APA's National Planning Conference. New York, NY. (There is a fee)
- [May 7-10, 2017](#): 23rd International Trails

Announcements

Notice of Funding Opportunity for Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives Program

The *Federal Highway Administration* (FHWA) recently published a new Notice of Funding Opportunity for the [FY17 Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives \(STSEA\)](#) program. The purpose of the

- Symposium. Dayton, OH. (There is a fee)
- May 10, 2017: National Bike to School Day.
 - May 14-18, 2017: 16th TRB National Transportation Planning Applications Conference. Raleigh, NC. (There is a fee)
 - May 14-18, 2017: 2017 International Conference on Ecology and Transportation. Salt Lake City, UT. (There is a fee)
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WEBINARS

- May 9, 2017: 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM ET: Noteworthy Practices of Public-Private Sector Collaboration in Freight Planning

STSFA program is to provide States with grants to demonstrate user-based alternative revenue mechanisms that utilize a user fee structure to maintain the long-term solvency of the Federal Highway Trust Fund. Each funded project must address certain issues, including equity concerns. The application deadline is June 12, 2017.

Bicycle/ Pedestrian



Ten Communities Receive Walk Friendly Designation

Walk Friendly Cities announced that 10 communities have received Walk Friendly Designation, which indicates that the communities have taken robust efforts to expand opportunities for walking and improve pedestrian safety across a wide range of programs and activities. New cities that were designated include New York, NY; Lawrence, KS; Fayetteville, AR; Fergus Falls, MN; Fort Lauderdale, FL; Kenmore, WA; and Mt. Lebanon, PA. Designation was renewed for the communities of Eugene, OR; Cary, NC; and Forest Park, IL.

Health



Joint Podcast on Health and Transportation

The *Institute of Transportation Engineers* (ITE) and the *Chartered Institute of Highways & Transportation* (CIHT) recently collaborated to launch a "Joint Podcast on Health and Transportation." In the podcast, representatives of the *Greater London Authority*, *Transport for London*, and the *City of Vancouver, BC*, discuss strategies for implementing health and transportation initiatives in their respective cities.

- May 10, 2017: 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: TRB's Prioritizing Accessibility in Major Cities (There is a fee for some)
- May 11, 2017: 2:00 - 4:00 PM ET: TRB's Planning for Millennials: What Do They Want and How Do Agencies Prepare? (There is a fee for some)
- May 17, 2017: 1:00 - 2:00 PM ET: Making the Most of Main Street: Complete Streets & Walkable Communities
- May 17, 2017: 1:00 - 2:30 PM ET: Talking Freight's Understanding the Impacts of Megaships
- May 18, 2017: 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: Presentation from Utah Department of Transportation on Their Use of EconWorks and PlanWorks
- May 30, 2017: 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: TRB's Planning and Preliminary Engineering Applications Guide to the Highway Capacity Manual: Part 1, Contents (There is a fee for some)
- June 1, 2017: 1:00 - 3:00 PM ET: DDSA's Determining the Appropriate Level of Safety Analysis for a Project
- June 7, 2017: 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: Innovative

New CDC Tool Maps Chronic Disease at the Neighborhood Level

The *Centers for Disease Control* (CDC) is helping public health professionals identify chronic health issues and identify emerging health issues at a very local level with its new [500 Cities Website](#). This tool provides a way to view and explore city- and neighborhood-level health data for the Country's 500 largest cities.

Livability



2017 Environmental Excellence Award Winners

The *Federal Highway Administration* (FHWA) announced the [2017 Environmental Excellence Award \(EEA\) winners](#). Since 1995, the EEAs have recognized leaders across the Country who make outstanding contributions to environmental stewardship and partnerships above and beyond traditional transportation project outcomes. Eighteen organizations from across the Country received EEA recognition.

FTA Announces \$55 Million in Funding Through Low- or No-Emission Bus Program

On April 27, the *Federal Transit Administration* (FTA) [announced the opportunity](#) to apply for up to \$55 million in competitive grant funds through FTA's Low- or No-Emission (Low-No) Bus Program. The *Low-No Program* supports projects sponsored by local transit agencies to bring advanced, American-made bus technologies into service nationwide. The application deadline is June 26, 2017.

Apply for a Cultural Corridor Consortium Grant

Transportation for America, a program of *Smart Growth America*, will offer [Cultural Corridor Consortium](#) grants of \$50,000 to each of three cities working to integrate creative placemaking with transportation investments. The program is focused on funding collaborative projects that expand transportation opportunities for communities that have experienced disproportionate disinvestment. The application deadline is June 2, 2017.

Financing for Public Transportation: Value Capture and Small- and Medium-sized Public Private Partnerships

- [June 28, 2017: 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: TRB's Planning and Preliminary Engineering Applications Guide to the Highway Capacity Manual: Part 2, Applications](#) (There is a fee for some)

Smart Growth America Releases Three Toolkits Designed for Rural Areas

Smart Growth America recently launched three new toolkits designed specifically to facilitate planning in rural areas. The [Community Facilities Location Policy](#) toolkit helps communities make the most of new facilities, such as hospitals or post offices. The [Well-Placed Affordable Housing](#) toolkit focuses on creating centrally-located housing infrastructure. Finally, the [Fiscal Impact Analysis](#) toolkit focuses on how local government can better understand the long-term financial implications of decisions about new development.

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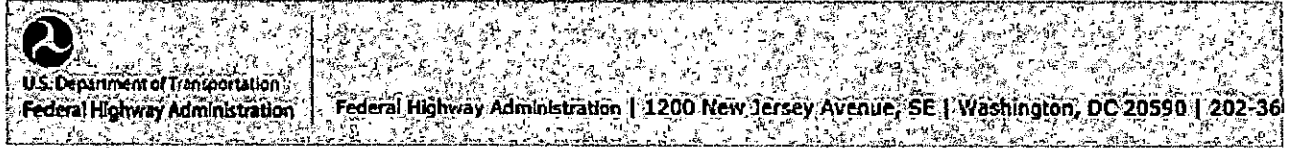
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The latest report from the FHWA Office of Planning, Environment and Realty.

Carrie: copying you regarding the GIS webcast and related news below.

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Open Data Portal: Databases, Policy, and a New Technology

This article by Eric Abrams reviews Iowa Department of Transportation's (Iowa DOT) process for developing their open data portal, beginning with the development of foundationa databases, to policy changes and, ultimately, the development of the

current portal.

Databases as the Foundation

Iowa DOT has a long history of using enterprise databases for geospatial analysis. Since 2002 Iowa Department of Transportation managed spatial data in Oracle/Oracle Spatial databases. Datasets like road centerlines, facilities and boundaries were created to not only serve GIS but other business interfaces. Leveraging these databases in 2006, Iowa DOT found it was easy for GIS web services to pull data directly from... [Read more »](#)



Datasharing with Waze

Editorial by Cliff Curtis of MaineDOT

Major travel corridors are a must to keep moving; they are the life blood of any economy. Understanding what is happening on the roadway is integral to keeping traffic moving. Crowd sourcing live data is an emerging method to help monitor conditions in real time and enhance our understanding of what is happening. Crowd sourcing provides the opportunity for the public to take an active role in reporting what they see on the road. Historically, people would call 911 to report items, burdening 911 responders with non-emergency issues. This is gradually shifting, however, with the advent of crowdsourcing mobile applications like Waze. Now, these issues can be shared amongst a community of local travelers keeping each other apprised of roadway events and conditions.... [Read more »](#)

Other News

Webcast on Waze Connected Citizens program

On April 27, Kali Fogel of LA Metro presented on the Regional Integration of Intelligent Transportation Systems' use of Waze Connected Citizens data exchange program. This webinar explained the communications, transportation, and institutional architecture existing in Southern California to develop and implement the potential uses of Waze.

A summary report will be available on this page: <https://www.gis.fhwa.dot.gov/reports.asp>

The 2017 AASHTO GIS for Transportation Symposium

The annual GIS in Transportation (GIS-T) Symposium was held April 10-13 in Phoenix, AZ. Mark Sarmiento of FHWA and Michael Green of the Volpe Center presented on the 2016 CMM and Organizational Assessment Peer Exchange and presented their findings after six State DOTs complete the URISA CMM and reported their experience.

Upcoming Capability Maturity Model Peer Exchange

Following the 2016 CMM Peer Exchange and the 2017 CMM Workshop at the GIS-T Symposium, attendees and peers expressed interest in follow up and FHWA is responding by organizing a CMM Peer Exchange to include additional State DOTs that may not have participated in the previous event. If you're interested in participating, please reach out to Mark Sarmiento at Mark.Sarmiento@dot.gov Details forthcoming.

Advisory Panel

FHWA and the US DOT Volpe Center are soliciting interest from GIS practitioners in serving on an advisory panel for the FHWA GIS in Transportation program. This panel would serve to 1) guide the identification of research priorities, 2) identify communications needs for stakeholders, and 3) provide recommendations to ensure that the program's activities and products align to stakeholder needs.

If you are interested in participating or have further questions, please contact Mark Sarmiento, FHWA Office of Planning, or visit the "Advisory Panel" page on our website:
<https://www.gis.fhwa.dot.gov/AdvisoryPanel.aspx>

Upcoming Events

A Capability Maturity Model Peer Exchange will be organized as a follow-up to last year's event. Details forthcoming.

Webcast featuring Chris Glantz of Oregon DOT

Topic: Mobile LiDAR

May 23, 2017

2:00-3:00 pm EDT

[Click here to register for the upcoming webcast](#)



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For More Information

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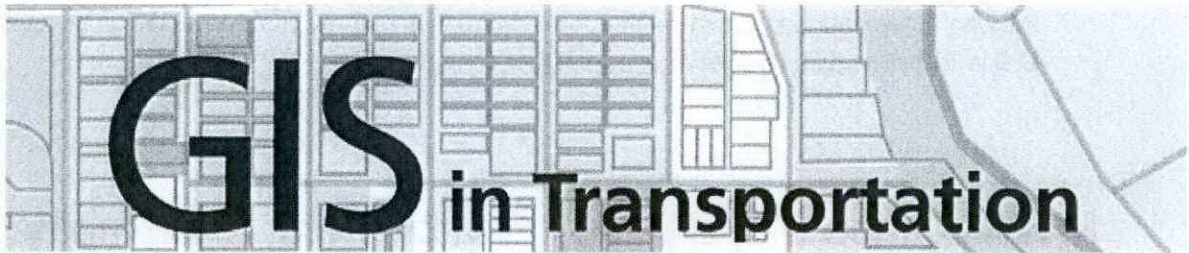
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Upcoming GIS in Transportation Webcast: Oregon DOT on mobile LiDAR - 5/23

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**Chris Glantz, Lead Remote Sensing Surveyor at Oregon DOT
Presents on**

Mobile LiDAR – Uses at Oregon DOT

Tuesday, May 23rd 2017

2:00 - 3:00 PM EDT

Mobile LiDAR and other emerging technologies are enabling and positioning transportation agencies for the next big leap in highway engineering; full 3D. This presentation will provide an overview of mobile LiDAR, showcase some sample projects, and discuss full utilization of information-rich 3D-point cloud data - beyond the project and into the life cycle management of the highway corridor.

Featured Speaker:

- Chris Glantz, Lead Remote Sensing Surveyor, Oregon DOT
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This webcast series is intended for planners and GIS practitioners from State Departments of Transportation, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, FHWA Division Offices, and State and Federal resource agencies. For questions about the webcast, or if you would like to highlight one of your agency's geospatial applications in an upcoming webcast, please contact Michael Green

(Michael.Green@dot.gov or 617-494-2553). Information on previous webcasts can be found on FHWA's GIS in Transportation website at www.gis.fhwa.dot.gov.

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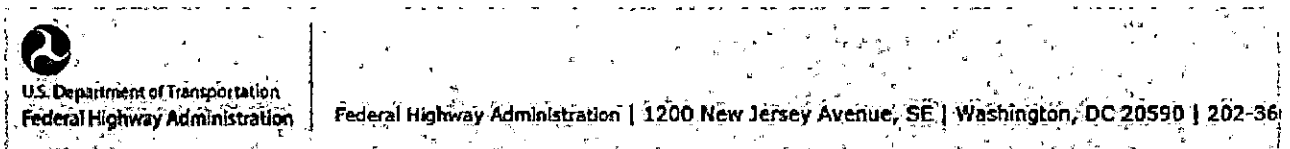
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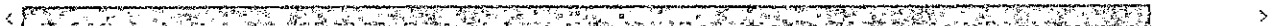
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Bicycle/ Pedestrian



"Measuring and Visualizing Multimodal Networks"

The *Pedestrian Bicycle Information Center* (PBIC) hosted a webinar titled, "[Measuring and Visualizing Multimodal Networks](#)." *Federal Highway Administration* (FHWA) staff members presented key FHWA resources during the webinar. A recording of the webinar, as well as presentation slides, are available online.

- September 13-15, 2017:
National Walking
Summit. St. Paul, MN.
(There is a fee)

WEBINARS

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- June 7, 2017: 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: Innovative Financing for Public Transportation: Value Capture and Small- and Medium-sized Public Private Partnerships
- June 8, 2017: 12:00 - 1:00 PM ET: The Best Complete Streets Policies of 2016 Kickoff Celebration
- June 12, 2017: 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: PBIC's Webinar to Focus on Improving Safety Using Truck Side Guards
- June 14, 2017: 2:00 - 3:00 PM ET: America Walks' Tracking the Walking Path: Tools and Programs for Measuring Walking and Walkability
- June 28, 2017: 2:00 - 3:30 PM ET: TRB's Planning and Preliminary Engineering Applications Guide to

"Analyzing the Impact of Median Treatments on Pedestrian/Bicyclist Safety"

The *Maryland State Highway Administration* (SHA) published a report titled, "[Analyzing the Impacts of Median Treatments on Pedestrian/Bicyclist Safety.](#)" The report quantifies the impact of median treatments on several high-frequency pedestrian/bicyclist crash locations identified through the Pedestrian Roadway Safety Audit Program. The report compares the effectiveness of different types of median treatments.

Environmental Justice



March-April 2017 Edition of TR News

The [March-April 2017 edition of TR News](#) is now available. The newsletter of the *Transportation Research Board* (TRB) features an article on "Innovations in Freight Planning: Addressing Trade, Future Scenarios, and Environmental Justice." Some State departments of transportation (DOTs) have completed freight plans that have gone beyond statutory requirements, and select case studies illustrate procedures to prioritize projects, apply scenario planning, address environmental justice, and more.

Livability



"Connecting Active Transportation Networks in Foley, Alabama"

The *Federal Highway Administration* (FHWA) published a new case study titled, "[Connecting Active Transportation Networks in Foley, Alabama.](#)" The case study explores the quality-of-life improvements that the community members of Foley, AL, have experienced as a result of recent investments in multimodal infrastructure, including a new pedestrian bridge.

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"Global Street Design Guide"

The *Global Designing Cities Initiative* published the "[Global Street Design Guide](#)." The Guide is meant to serve as a resource for designing streets and public spaces while redefining the role of streets in a rapidly urbanizing world. The Guide includes discussions of safety, access, mobility, environmental quality, and public health.

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Hi All—please see the information below for the latest updates on NMDOT information relevant to the MPOs and RTPOs.

Announcements

- The Federal government repealed the “MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform” Final Rule. Please note that the April 1, 2017 printed version of 23 CFR will not reflect this repeal and will instead reflect the final rule as originally written. Please refer to the May 27, 2016 version of 23 CFR (attached) for the previous language for this section. This rule would have only potentially affected the Mesilla Valley and El Paso MPOs’ coordination.

Upcoming Meetings/Conferences/Trainings

- May 25: RTPO Quarterly Roundtable, hosted by SWRTPO in Silver City; Cerisse Grijalva is in charge of the agenda (grijalvac1@swnmcog.org).
- NMDOT Planning is currently scheduling TAP orientation meetings for FFY18/19 TAP project award recipients. The meetings will be held at various locations around the state and are expected to last around two hours. Award recipients are required to attend the meeting that corresponds to their respective NMDOT Design Center. Meeting dates and locations are as follows:
 - North Region Design (D4 and D5): June 21, 2017, 10 AM, NPRTPO Offices, Santa Fe
 - Central Region Design (D6 and D3): July 5, 2017, 10 AM, D3 Auditorium, Albuquerque (location not yet finalized)
 - South Region Design (D1 and D2): two meetings, Deming and Roswell, dates and locations TBD

- Oct. 25-27: Save the date! New Mexico Infrastructure Finance Conference at the Eldorado Hotel in Santa Fe. See attached postcard for details. There will be a transportation track. Please contact Kimberly Gonzales if you're interested in presenting (Kimberly.Gonzales@state.nm.us).

Title VI/ADA Transition Plan Compliance

Attached is a list from NMDOT's Construction & Civil Rights Bureau (CCRB) of entities and their compliance status, as of 5/17/17. Compliance for Title VI means that the entity has submitted an approved (by local governing body) plan for review. Compliance with ADA means that the entity has either submitted a transition plan, a milestone schedule, or documentation of having less than 50 employees (meaning they're exempt). Please direct questions on Title VI to Damian Segura (Damian.Segura@state.nm.us, 505-629-9890), and for ADA Transition Plan information contact Sally Reeves (Sally.Reeves@state.nm.us, 505-467-9887).

Thank you,

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Greetings Ray, Lucianne and Sharon:

Note that the TAP Orientation Training for our region will be held at the NMDOT Dist. 3 Auditorium, hosted by DOT Central Regional Design, on July 5, at 10am.

I would follow up with Rosa Kozub (505-476-3742, other contacts below) on the exact location of the training as the date approaches, because even though it cites DOT Dist. 3 Auditorium (which I presume is in Albuquerque); it also states "location not yet finalized" (reference yellow highlight below).

Attendance by all awardees is mandatory.

Congratulations on your project awards; our RTP region did exceptionally well this go-round for TAP and RTP awards!

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Hi All—please see the information below for the latest updates on NMDOT information relevant to the MPOs and RTPOs.

Announcements

- The Federal government repealed the “MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform” Final Rule. Please note that the April 1, 2017 printed version of 23 CFR will not reflect this repeal and will instead reflect the final rule as originally written. Please refer to the May 27, 2016 version of 23 CFR (attached) for the previous language for this section. This rule would have only potentially affected the Mesilla Valley and El Paso MPOs’ coordination.

Upcoming Meetings/Conferences/Trainings

- May 25: RTPO Quarterly Roundtable, hosted by SWRTPO in Silver City; Cerisse Grijalva is in charge of the agenda (grijalvac1@swnmcog.org).
- NMDOT Planning is currently scheduling TAP orientation meetings for FFY18/19 TAP project award recipients. The meetings will be held at various locations around the state and are expected to last around two hours. **Award recipients are required to attend** the meeting that corresponds to their respective NMDOT Design Center. Meeting dates and locations are as follows:
 - North Region Design (D4 and D5): June 21, 2017, 10 AM, NPRTPO Offices, Santa Fe
 - Central Region Design (D6 and D3): July 5, 2017, 10 AM, D3 Auditorium, Albuquerque (location not yet finalized)
 - South Region Design (D1 and D2): two meetings, Deming and Roswell, dates and locations TBD
- Oct. 25-27: Save the date! New Mexico Infrastructure Finance Conference at the Eldorado Hotel in Santa Fe. See attached postcard for details. There will be a transportation track. Please contact Kimberly Gonzales if you’re interested in presenting (Kimberly.Gonzales@state.nm.us).

Title VI/ADA Transition Plan Compliance

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Announcements

- FHWA released the attached guidance on fiscal constraint, with regard to the TIPs/STIP. This guidance applies to all current and future TIPs/STIP. It will be incorporated in to the forthcoming updated STIP Procedures manual.
- Please see the attached call for entries for the “TRB 11th Annual Communicating Concepts with John and Jane Q. Public Competition.” Submission information is contained on the flyer.
- FHWA “Funding Federal-Aid Highways” guide was updated to reflect MAP-21 and the FAST Act. Updated version attached.

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Clarifying Fiscal Constraint Guidance

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EXAMPLES OF "REASONABLY AVAILABLE" ASSUMPTIONS	
New Tolls	A new toll or other user fee dedicated to a particular project or program may be reasonable if there is clear evidence of support by the Governor, legislature, and/or other appropriate local/regional decision-makers.
New Taxes	A new tax for transportation purposes requiring local and/or State legislation and/or support from the Governor is reasonable if there is clear evidence of sufficient support (both governmental and public) to enact the new tax and a strategy exists for securing those approvals within the time period for implementing the affected projects.
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Fiscal constraint allows the planning process to advance only those projects that a State, MPO, or local agency can afford to implement and are environmentally and/or financially feasible. Planning and Environmental Linkages studies can be used to evaluate project feasibility and costs before launching into NEPA reviews.

Examples of planning and environmental linkages (PEL) include a Tier I Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), corridor study, or feasibility study. These studies can be conducted without demonstrating fiscal constraint in the MTP. PEL studies allow a State or MPO to do advanced planning that can be used in the NEPA process. If a Tier I EIS includes a decision that could result in a federally-funded implementation action (such as the purchase of ROW), the project must be listed in the MTP and STIP/TIP, with one subsequent phase listed in the existing STIP/TIP. Further, full funding must be reasonably be anticipated to be available for the project within the time period expected to complete the project before the Tier I ROD can be signed. The subsequent phase (Tier II) will be the continuation of the NEPA process. A Tier I project cost estimation may be broader (e.g., use of banding) than for the regular projects.

3. What are the implications of fiscal constraint for non-attainment and maintenance areas?

In air quality nonattainment and maintenance areas, projects included in the first two years of the TIP and STIP require funds to be "available" or "committed". Available funds are funds derived from an existing source historically used for transportation purposes, such as Federal authorized and/or appropriated funds. Committed funds are funds that have been dedicated or obligated for transportation purposes. In addition, in nonattainment and maintenance areas, fiscal constraint must be demonstrated on Plan and TIP before transportation conformity can be determined.

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CALL FOR ENTRIES!

TRB 11th Annual Communicating Concepts with John and Jane Q. Public Competition:

Communicating the Value of Long-Term Transportation Planning

How have you encouraged public participation in long-term transport planning?

It's extremely difficult to get the average person involved in long-term transportation planning. After all, developing long-term transportation plans, such as regional transportation plans or strategic citywide mobility studies are much less precise and often have much longer implementation periods than plans for a particular transport infrastructure. Similarly, planning efforts for major infrastructure projects must start with examining needs and a wide variety of alternatives, leading to long and often circuitous planning processes.

Although planners understand the importance of and process used for long-term planning, these are rarely understood and appreciated by the general public. Instead residents think, *"the project is so far into the future that it won't affect me,"* or *"I can get involved later,"* or *"those projects will never happen anyway, so why bother getting involved."*

But early and on-going involvement by John and Jane Q. Public is just as crucial for long-term transport planning as for planning specific transport facilities. It's critical to ensuring that all segments of the public understand the project need; have the opportunity to get involved in the development and definition of alternatives, environmental assessments, and preliminary design; and have the opportunity to provide input into the process.

To stimulate creative thinking and share innovative approaches, **Planning and Environment Group of the Transportation Research Board (TRB)** is seeking best practices in communicating the value and importance of getting the public involved in long-term transportation planning.

What qualifies? Competition entries can include tools that are used to communicate long-term planning efforts (e.g., transportation plans, ridership models, alternatives development, environmental assessments, corridor studies). Communication tools can include, but are not limited to: studies, publications, multi-media communications campaigns, websites, graphics, illustrations, social media strategies, photos, videos, software, interactive exercises and presentations. This call is looking for how the results are delivered in "kitchen-table" terms that John and Jane Q. Public can understand.

Who can submit an entry? Individuals, agencies, and organizations that communicate transportation needs and issues (all modes).

How will the winning entries be showcased at the TRB Annual Meeting? The entries are judged by a panel of transportation and communication professionals. Individuals submitting winning entries will be invited to present at both a podium and a poster session at the TRB 97th Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. (January 7-11, 2018). Winning entries also will be featured in an edition of TRB's *Transportation Research News*.

What are the submission requirements? Visit the competition website (<https://sites.google.com/site/trbcommitteeada60/jipcompetition>) for the online submission form.

When are entries due? July 24, 2017. (Winners will be notified in early October.)

Questions? Contact Terri Parker at t-parker@tamu.edu or 979-862-8348.



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Greetings RTPO members,

As previously reported, please reference the following link for information on technical assistance for trails development from the National Park Service - "Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program"; applications are due by June 30.

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Please be aware that another source of trails ~~funding~~ is now available from the National Park Service in the form of the "Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program". Applications are due by June 30, 2017.

For more information contact Attila Bality at 505-346-2871 x213 / Attila_Bality@nps.gov.

Reference the attached document.

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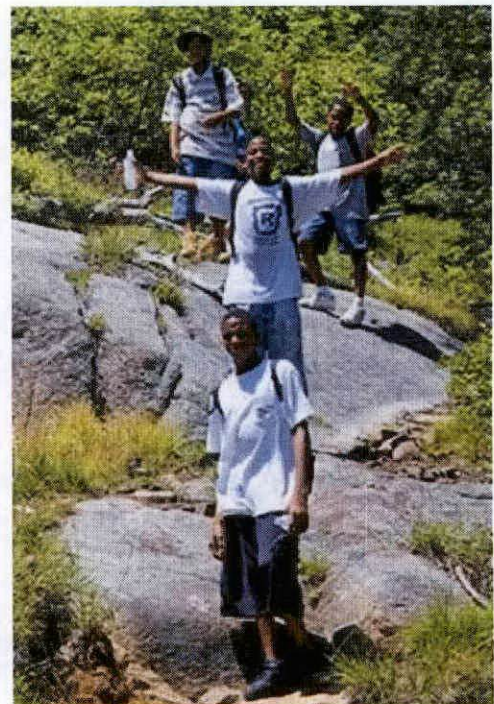
Apply for Community Assistance in Conservation and Outdoor Recreation

Who May Apply

Project applicants may be state and local agencies, tribes, nonprofit organizations, or citizen groups. National Parks and other Federal agencies may apply in partnership with other local organizations.

How To Apply

- Consult with community partners to build a broad base of support for your project idea.
- Review the NPS [application guidelines](#)



Hikers enjoying fresh air along the New England National Scenic Trail near New York City.

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https://www.nps.gov/orgs/rtca/upload/RTCA_Application_Guidelines_2017.pdf) and [application form \(/orgs/rtca/upload/RTCA-Application-Form.doc\)](#).

- Please [contact us \(/orgs/rtca/contactus.htm\)](#) as early as possible before the June 30 application deadline to discuss your proposed project and inform us of your intent to apply as

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- Site location map
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Greetings RTPO colleagues:

Inviting one and all to the McKinley Road Forum - June 13 at the El Morro Theatre & Event Center, 207 W. Coal Ave.; 8am - 4:30 pm. Reference the attached invite letter, and **please respond by June 2 to the contacts below.**

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McKinley County Road Forum
2017
Tuesday, June 13, 2017
8:00 am — 4:30 pm
El Morro Theatre & Event Center



8:00 — 9:00 am

Opening Activities

- 1) **Welcome Address: McKinley County Commissioners**
Carol Bowman-Muskett-Dist. 1, Genevieve Jackson-Dist.2, Bill Lee-Dist. 3
- 2) **Invocation & Opening Comments: Ron Shutiva, NMDOT Tribal Liaison**
- 3) **Opening Address: Jackson Gibson, NMDOT District 6 Transportation Commissioner**

9:00—10:00 am

Plenary Session — Overview of Transportation Process

- 1) **Larry Maynard, NMDOT District 6 Principal Engineer:** Overview of transportation development and funding process for infrastructure and services through the State DOT
- 2) **Garret Silversmith, Navajo DOT Executive Director:** Overview of transportation development and funding process for Navajo Nation Chapter communities from federal and state sources
- 3) **Doug Decker, County Attorney; Jeff Irving, County Road Superintendent:** Overview of the County's policy and process for transportation development including collaboration with the Navajo Nation on behalf of our many rural communities.

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McKinley Road Forum—2017
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10:15 am — 12:30 pm



Planning thru Construction

25 minute sessions

Full Circle Funding

A) Project Development Phases: Arif Kazmi— NMDOT Asst. District Engineer; Marticia Holiday - T/LPA Tech. Support Covers the phases for transportation infrastructure development thru initial planning, clearances, design & construction.

B) BIA System & Right of Way Process: Jerry DeGroat—Eastern Agency BIA Realty Specialist Provides a better understanding of the BIA — R.O.W. process as it impacts upon road and other transportation infrastructure development on McKinley's multi-jurisdictional lands.

C) Navajo Nation 164 Project Review Process: Elerina Yazzie— Dept. Manager — General Land Dev. Dept. Overview of the purpose and process of the Navajo Nation 164 Review process for infrastructure and services development and funding, to provide quality control related to project time and funding constraints.

D) NWRTPPO Presentation: Robert Kuipers—NWNMCOG Orientation to the North West Regional Transportation Planning Organization, and the service it provides to facilitate collaboration between the NMDOT and local govts for developing and funding transportation infrastructure and services.

E) Cross-jurisdictional Collaboration — Cost Saving MOU's/MOA's: Jeff Irving — McKinley Road Supt. and Taft Blackhorse— Navajo DOT Project Mgmt. Dept. Mgr. Presentation on how cross-jurisdictional agreements can benefit participating governments with more cost effective, and efficient transportation infrastructure maintenance and development.

A) NM Indian Affairs Dept. Tribal Infrastructure Fund and Capital Outlay Process: Marion Salvador, Lawrence John — N.M. I.A.D. Presentation will cover TIF funding project development guidance & timelines, along with an overview of the state's capital outlay process.

B) N.M. Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) Process: Denise Copeland— Navajo Capital Improvement Office covering the state's ICIP process and guidance for prioritizing, funding and developing community infrastructure projects.

C) Navajo Fuel Excise Tax & Other Sources; FHWA Tribal Transportation Program funding: Karen Benally— NDOT Planning Dept. Mgr., Darryl Bradley— NDOT Principal Engineer Presentation will cover these tribal funding sources both internal and external to the Navajo Nation for transportation and infrastructure development.

D) Bureau of Indian Affairs — Tribal Transportation Program (TTP): Herby Larsen — Navajo Area BIA Office will cover the BIA process for tribal transportation infrastructure development and maintenance through the TTP funding source.

E) NM-DOT Local Government Road Fund (LGRF): JoAnn Garcia—T/LPA Coordinator, Bill Santiago— NMDOT District 6 Presentation will cover the LGRF funding opportunity and process.

LUNCH BREAK: 12:30 — 1:15 pm (served on site)

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McKinley Road Forum — 2017

Interactive Chapter / Community Sessions: 1:15—4:30 pm

Chapters / Communities will share their top two priority projects and development status and receive feedback from an expert panel, providing advice for more efficient / effective development of the projects, or additional resources they might consider.



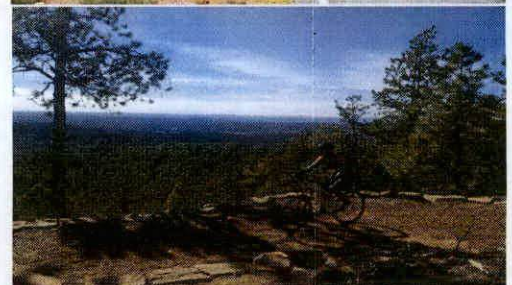
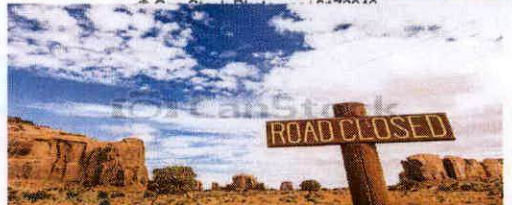
County Commission District 2 & 3 Communities

County Commission District 1 Communities

Each 2-project presentation limited to 10 minutes

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LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION:

<u>House</u>	<u>Senate</u>
Lee Alcon, D-6	Clemente Sanchez, D-30
Patty Lundstrom, D-9	John Pinto, D-3
Wonda Johnson, D-5	George Munoz, D-4
Harry Garcia, D-69	Benny Shendo, D-22
Rodney Montoya, D-1	William Sharer, D-1
James Strickler, D-2	Steve Neville, D-2
Paul Bandy, D-3	
Derrick Lente, D-65	
Sharon Clahchischilliage, D-4	

LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE:

House
 Rep. Brian Egolf, Speaker
 Rep. Sheryl Stapleton, Majority Floor Leader
 Rep. Doreen Gallegos, Majority Whip
 Rep. D. Wonda Johnson, Majority Caucus Chair*
 Rep. Nate Gentry, Minority Floor Leader
 Rep. Rod Montoya, Minority Whip*

Senate
 Sen. Mary Kay Papen, President Pro Tempore
 Sen. Peter Wirth, Majority Floor Leader
 Sen. Michael Padilla, Majority Whip
 Sen. Jacob Canderjarta, Caucus Chair
 Sen. Stuart Ingle, Minority Leader
 Sen. William Payne, Minority Whip
 Sen. Steve Neville, Caucus Chair*

SESSION DATES – 2017

January 17 - Opening day (noon)	X
February 10 - Reauth submission deadline	X
February 13 - Capital Outlay submission deadline	X
February 16 - Bill deadline for introduction	X
March 18 - Session ends (noon)	X
April 7 - Legislation not acted upon by governor is pocket vetoed	X
June 16 - Effective date of legislation not carrying an emergency clause or specified date	

FOCUS ON: SPECIAL SESSION

Today was the final day of the Special Session, as both Chambers adjourned sine die. The Governor acted on several pieces of legislation on May 26th that basically reflected the strings of compromise and contempt.

HB 1 – a supplemental budget bill that, for the most part, replaced those budget items the Governor vetoed in April. The bill was passed on a bi-partisan basis and Governor signed this with line-item vetoes.

HB 2 – a revenue bill that includes creating a “rainy day” fund with excess severance taxes, moving some legislative retirement funds temporarily to the general fund and to the underfunded judicial retirement fund, a limited gross receipts tax for nonprofit and governmental hospitals, an internet sales tax, and some tax deduction reporting requirements. This bill would raise over \$143 million dollars. It passed the House along party line votes (37-29), and the Senate by 32-7. The Governor signed this bill but line-vetoed the hospital and internet sales tax, as well as the reporting as written. She directed that she wants bipartisan tax reform not piecemeal solutions.

SB 1 – a bill that turns severance tax bonds into general fund revenues (about \$85 million dollars), then “sweeps” money from several state agencies, including \$8 million from the NM Finance Authority (\$1,400 dollars was swept from the nurses “insurance examination fund”). The total amount of money that moves into the general fund is roughly \$100 million dollars. This bill passed the House unanimously, and the Senate by a vote of 38-3, Governor signed with some line-item vetoes.

SB 2 – the final revenue bill, which is very similar to HB 202 from the regular session, includes the gas and diesel taxes, motor vehicle excise taxes, and a trucker’s “weight-distance identification permit tax.” The bill would raise between \$72 and \$93 million dollars. The Senate vote was 25-16, and the House 37-28. Governor vetoed this bill as it raises taxes.

If you have any questions on the outcome of legislation or funding, please feel free to contact Evan Williams, Deputy Director: ewilliams@nwnmco.org or (505) 409-7955 (cell).

All the Best

Jeff Kely, Executive Director