

Revised: September 9, 2021

**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
for the  
FOURTH MEETING  
of the  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

**September 13, 2021  
Escalante Power Plant  
Prewitt**

**September 14, 2021  
New Mexico State University-Grants Gymnasium  
Grants**

**Monday, September 13 — Escalante Power Plant, Prewitt**

- 10:00 a.m.           **Call to Order**  
—Senator Carrie Hamblen, Chair
- 10:15 a.m.       (1)   **[Welcoming Remarks and Site Overview](#)**  
—Severo Vince Martinez, Senior Government Relations Advisor, Tri-State  
New Mexico  
—Brian Rychener, Plant Manager, Escalante Power Plant
- 11:00 a.m.       (2)   **[Green Fuel Technology](#)**  
—Wiley Rhodes, Co-Founder, Escalante H2 Power
- 12:00 noon       (3)   **[Community Readiness: The Path to Make New Mexico Bioscience  
Ready and a Co-Investment Program](#)**  
—Dale R. Dekker, Chair, Board of Directors, New Mexico Bioscience  
Authority; Architect and Founder, Dekker/Perich/Sabatini  
—Stephanie Tofighi, M.S.P.P., Executive Director, New Mexico Bioscience  
Authority  
—Ryan Cangiolosi, M.B.A., M.A.C.C.T., Strategy and Policy Director, New  
Mexico Bioscience Authority
- 1:00 p.m.           **Public Comment**
- 1:15 p.m.           **Lunch**
- 1:45 p.m.           **Tour of Escalante Power Plant**
- 3:15 p.m.           **Recess**

**Tuesday, September 14 — New Mexico State University (NMSU)-Grants Gymnasium**

- 10:00 a.m.           **Reconvene**  
—Senator Carrie Hamblen, Chair
- 10:15 a.m.       (4)   **[Welcome to NMSU-Grants](#)**  
—Dr. Marlene Chavez-Toivanen, Associate Campus Director and Vice  
President for Academic Affairs, NMSU-Grants
- 11:00 a.m.       (5)   **[Economic Development of the Navajo Nation](#)**  
—J.T. Willie, Division Director, Navajo Nation Division of Economic  
Development
- 12:00 noon           **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.       (6)   **[Private Prisons: Various Perspectives](#)**  
—Nia Rucker, Policy Counsel and Regional Manager, American Civil  
Liberties Union of New Mexico; Member, People Over Private  
Prisons-New Mexico  
—Jon Courtney, Deputy Director for Program Evaluation, Legislative  
Finance Committee  
—Dr. Brady Horn, Associate Chair, Department of Economics,  
University of New Mexico  
—Linda Freeman, Executive Director, New Mexico Sentencing  
Commission
- 3:30 p.m.           **Public Comment**
- 4:00 p.m.           **Adjourn**