

Revised: October 2, 2026

TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
FIFTH MEETING
of the
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
COMMITTEE

October 7-8, 2026
University of New Mexico-Los Alamos
Wallace Hall, Room 505
4000 University Drive
Los Alamos

Wednesday, October 7

- 10:00 a.m. **Call to Order and Introductions**
 —Representative Debra M. Sariñana, Vice Chair
- 10:05 a.m. (1) [Welcome and University of New Mexico \(UNM\)-Los Alamos Status](#)
 —Mike Holtzclaw, Ph.D., Chancellor, UNM-Los Alamos
- 11:00 a.m. (2) [Aligning New Mexico's Education Ecosystem to Power the Innovation Economy](#)
 —Kersti Tyson, Ph.D., Co-Chair, New Mexico Partnership for Mathematics and Science Education
 —Patricia Carden, Co-Chair, New Mexico Partnership for Mathematics and Science Education
- 12:00 noon **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. (3) [New Mexico Water Ambassadors](#)
 —Mike Hamman, Former State Engineer
- 2:00 p.m. (4) [Expanding Access to Solar: Plug-in Solar and Simpler Interconnections](#)
 —Jim DesJardins, Executive Director, Renewable Energy Industries Association of New Mexico
- 3:00 p.m. (5) [New Mexico Bioscience Authority \(NMBA\) Status Update](#)
 —Stephanie Tofighi, Executive Director, NMBA
- 4:00 p.m. **Recess**

Thursday, October 8

- 9:00 a.m. (6) **Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) Status Update**
—Angela Mielke, Executive Officer and Deputy Directorate for Science,
Technology and Engineering, LANL
—Kathy Keith, Director, Community Partnerships Office, LANL
- 10:00 a.m. (7) **LANL Quantum Collaborations**
—Carleton Coffrin, Senior Scientist and Quantum Science Coordinator,
LANL
- 11:00 a.m. (8) **Technology Readiness Gross Receipts Initiative Update**
—Candice Siebenthal, Technology Engagement and Entrepreneurship
Program Manager, Richard P. Feynman Center for Innovation, LANL
—Mary Monson, Senior Manager, Technology Partnerships, Sandia
National Laboratories
- 11:30 a.m. (9) **State Agency Migration to Post-Quantum Cryptography**
—Raja Sambandam, State Chief Information Security Officer, Cybersecurity
Office
- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:30 p.m. (10) **Proposed Amendments to Telecommunications Law**
—Craig Fredericks, Associate General Counsel, Lumen Technologies, Inc.
- 2:00 p.m. (11) **Building New Mexico's Scientific Future: From Education and Research to Innovation**
—Ganesh Balakrishnan, Ph.D., Director, New Mexico Established Program
to Stimulate Competitive Research (NM EPSCoR)
—Selena Connealy, Ph.D., Associate Director, NM EPSCoR
- 3:00 p.m. (12) **Current and Emerging Data Privacy and Public Surveillance Issues**
—Tatiana Prieto, Policy Advocate, American Civil Liberties Union of New
Mexico
- 4:00 p.m. **Public Comment***
- 4:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

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