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TENTATIVE AGENDA
Legislative Finance Committee
Ruidoso, New Mexico
June 16-18, 2026

Tuesday, June 16

Meeting Location
Ruidoso Convention Center
111 Sierra Blanca Dr,
Ruidoso, NM 88345

- 8:30 -- [Welcoming Remarks](#) -- Lynn Crawford, Mayor, Village of Ruidoso; Mark Fischer, Chair, Lincoln County Commission; Duane Duffy, Vice-President, Mescalero Apache Tribe
- 9:30 -- [Program Evaluation: SNAP Administration and Performance](#) -- Alma Kassim, Program Evaluator, Legislative Finance Committee; Clayton Lobaugh, Program Evaluator, Legislative Finance Committee; Kari Armijo, Secretary, Health Care Authority; Niki Kozlowaski, Director, Health Care Authority Income Support Division
- 11:00 -- [Natural Disasters and Wildfires: Emerging Risks](#) -- Ronojoy Sen, Pew Charitable Trusts; Peter Muller, Pew Charitable Trusts
- 12:00 -- Lunch
- 1:00 -- [Program Evaluation: Emergency Orders](#) -- John Valdez, Program Evaluator, Legislative Finance Committee; Guillermo Caraveo, Program Evaluator, Legislative Finance Committee; Mark Melhoff, Acting State Controller, Department of Finance and Administration; Wayne Propst, Secretary, Department of Finance and Administration
- 3:30 -- [Fire and Flood Response and Recovery](#) -- Jason Burns, Lincoln County Manager; Kenneth Branch, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service; Laura McCarthy, State Forester, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department; Mario Romero, CEO, Otero County Rural Electric Co-op.
- 5:00 -- Adjourn

Wednesday, June 17

- 8:30 -- [Tour](#) -- Depart for tour of Ruidoso Fire and Recovery Efforts: EMNRD/Lincoln County
- Slope stabilization
 - Wilderness urban interface
 - Barrier thinning
 - Emergency watershed protection
- 12:00 -- Lunch
- 1:00 -- [Progress Report: Instructional Time and Extended Learning Opportunities in Public Schools](#) -- Sarah Rovang, Program Evaluator, Legislative Finance Committee; Stephanie Joyce, Program Evaluator, Legislative Finance Committee; Mariana Padilla, Secretary, Public Education Department

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- 2:30 -- [Role of Outdoor Workforce in Restoration, Response, and Recovery](#) -- Jason Burns, Lincoln County Manager; Ryan Trosper, President ENMU-Ruidoso; Todd Lopez, Rio Grande Return
- Restoration efforts
 - CDL
 - Firefighting
- 3:30 -- [Integrated Education Technology, Training and Demand for Skilled Trades](#) -- Coda Omness, Vice President Student Learning and Success, ENMU; Amber Gallup, Director of Adult Education Higher Education Department; Sarita Nair, Secretary, Workforce Solutions Department.
- 4:45 -- [Public Comment](#)
- 5:00 -- Adjourn

Thursday, June 18

- 8:00 -- [Behavioral Health Investments Update](#) -- Nick Boukas, Director, Behavioral Health Service Department; Sarah Jacobs, Deputy Director, Administrative Office of the Courts; Allegra Hernandez, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Finance Committee; Harry Rommel, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Finance Committee
- 9:30 -- [LFC FY26 Q3 Report Cards](#) -- Helen Gaussoin, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Finance Committee
- 10:45 -- [Miscellaneous Committee Business](#)

Action Items

- 1) Approval of LFC May Meeting Minutes
- 2) FY27 Contracts

Review of Monthly Financial Reports & Information Items

- 3) LFC FY26 Budget Status
- 4) BAR Report
- 5) Cash Balance Report
- 6) Full Time Employees by Agency
- 7) LFC Program Evaluation Status Report
- 8) Correspondence

- 11:15 -- Adjourn

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