

Revised: August 5, 2020

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
FIRST MEETING
of the
WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**August 6, 2020
Video Conference**

Thursday, August 6

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to Order and Introductions**
—Representative Derrick J. Lente, Co-Chair, Water and Natural Resources
Committee (WNRC)
—Representative Matthew McQueen, Co-Chair, WNRC
- 9:15 a.m. (1) **Status of the Gila and Federal Arizona Water Settlements Act Issues**
—Rolf Schmidt-Petersen, Director, Interstate Stream Commission (ISC)
- 9:45 a.m. (2) **The State of the State's Waters: Updates from the Office of the State
Engineer and the ISC**
—John R. D'Antonio, Jr., P.E., State Engineer
—Rolf Schmidt-Petersen, Director, ISC
- 11:45 a.m. (3) **Irrigation and Stored Water Release Issues on the Rio Grande**
—Mike Hamman, Chief Engineer, Chief Executive Officer, Middle Rio
Grande Conservancy District
—Tim Seaman, President, Rio de Chama Acequia Association, Inc.
—Gary Esslinger, Treasurer-Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
- 1:00 p.m. **Lunch**
- 2:00 p.m. (4) **Intrepid Potash Water Rights and Pecos River Update**
—A. Nathaniel Chakeres, Attorney, ISC
—Steven Hernandez, Attorney, Carlsbad Irrigation District
—TBD, Pecos Valley Artesian Conservancy District
—Charles T. DuMars, Attorney, Law & Resource Planning Associates, P.C.
- 3:00 p.m. (5) **Report on Prescribed Fire Pursuant to House Memorial 42 (2019)**
—Laura McCarthy, State Forester, Forestry Division, Energy, Minerals and
Natural Resources Department
—Emily Hohman, Director, U.S. Fire Learning Network, The Nature
Conservancy
—Dr. Doug Cram, Extension Forest and Fire Specialist, Cooperative
Extension Service, New Mexico State University

4:00 p.m. (6) **EXECUTIVE SESSION (Closed Meeting): Briefing on *Texas v. New Mexico***

—Tania Maestas, Chief Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

—John R. D'Antonio, Jr., P.E., State Engineer

5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**