TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
THIRD MEETING IN 2017
of the
WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

September 5-6, 2017
Grant County Business and Conference Center
3031 U.S. Highway 180 E.
Silver City

Tuesday, September 5

9:00 a.m. Call to Order and Welcome
—Senator Joseph Cervantes, Chair, Water and Natural Resources Committee
—Ken Ladner, Mayor, Silver City
—Brett Kasten, Chairman, Grant County Commission
—Linda Pecotte, Grant County Prospectors

9:15 a.m. (1) Salt Cedar Eradication and the Salt Cedar Beetle
—Carol Sutherland, Extension Entomologist, New Mexico State University (NMSU); State Entomologist, New Mexico Department of Agriculture
—Nyleen Troxel Stowe, Director of Special Projects, Socorro Soil and Water Conservation District
—Will Kolbenschlag, Range Technician, Socorro Soil and Water Conservation District
—Speaker TBA, Carlsbad Soil and Water Conservation District

10:30 a.m. (2) Regional and State Water Plan Progress
—Lucia Sanchez, Water Planning Program Manager, Interstate Stream Commission (ISC)
—Priscilla Lucero, Executive Director, Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments

12:00 noon Lunch

1:15 p.m. (3) Southwest New Mexico Ground Water Hydrogeology Update; Statewide Water Assessment and Water Budget
—Stacy Timmons, Hydrogeologist and Aquifer Mapping Program Manager, New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology
—Sam Fernald, Director, Water Resources Research Institute, NMSU
2:30 p.m.  (4)  Proposed Transfer of Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park to the Department of Game and Fish
—Nora L. Barraza, Mayor, Town of Mesilla
—Alexa Sandoval, Director, Department of Game and Fish
—Ken McQueen, Secretary, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD)
—Matthias Sayer, Deputy Secretary, EMNRD
—Kevin Bixby, Executive Director, Southwest Environmental Center

4:15 p.m.  (5)  Carlsbad Brine Well Collapse Remediation and Implementation of Legislation
—Ken McQueen, Secretary, EMNRD

5:15 p.m.  Recess

Wednesday, September 6

9:00 a.m.  (6)  Arizona Water Settlements Act Implementation, Budget and Issues: New Mexico Central Arizona Project (CAP) Entity Plans; Southwest Region Water Project Alternatives
—Kim Abeyta-Martinez, Program Manager, ISC
—Ali Effati, Gila Basin Manager, ISC
—Anthony Gutierrez, Executive Director, New Mexico CAP Entity
—Priscilla Lucero, Executive Director, Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments
—Harry Browne, Grant County Commissioner, District 5

12:00 noon  Adjourn