

Revised: November 10, 2008

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
SIXTH MEETING
of the
ECONOMIC AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**November 11-12, 2008
Room 307, State Capitol
Santa Fe**

Tuesday, November 11

- 10:00 a.m. **Approval of Minutes for August and September**
- 10:00 a.m. **Work Force Shortages in New Mexico**
—Art Hull, Association of Commerce and Industry (ACI)
—Mark Lautman, Work Force Shortage Policy Committee, ACI
—Beverlee McClure, President and Chief Executive Officer, ACI
- 11:00 a.m. **State Preparations to Avoid Work Force Shortages**
—Melissa Lomax, Bureau Chief, Career, Technical and Work Force Education,
Public Education Department
—Carol Ann Sanchez, Assistant Secretary, Economic Development Department
—Jackie Ingle, Learning Coordinator, Workforce Solutions Department
- 12:00 noon **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. **Chile Industry Update**
—Dr. Stephanie Walker, New Mexico State University, New Mexico Department
of Agriculture
—Dino Cervantes, Vice President, New Mexico Chile Association
—Charlie Marquez, Lobbyist, New Mexico Chile Association
- 2:00 p.m. **New Mexico Food Gap Task Force**
—Pam Roy, Member, New Mexican Food Gap Task Force
—Craig Mapel, New Mexico Department of Agriculture
- 2:30 p.m. **New and Additional Missions at White Sands Missile Range and Influx of
Persons**
—Col. Gary Giebel, Garrison Commander, White Sands Missile Range
- 3:30 p.m. **Spaceport Legislative Priorities**
—Steve Dandeene, Executive Director, Spaceport America

Wednesday, November 12

- 9:00 a.m. **Small Business Assistance Program**
—Mariann Johnston, Manager, Small Business Assistance Program,
 Los Alamos National Laboratory
—Jackie Kerby Moore, Manager, Technology and Economic Development,
 Sandia National Laboratories
—Don Bustos, Santa Cruz Farms
- 10:00 a.m. **Consumer Protection Legislation**
—Eric Vasquez, Senior Policy Analyst, Office of Lt. Gov. Diane Denish
- 11:00 a.m. **State Auditor's Task Force on Rural Accountability**
—Hector Balderas, State Auditor
—Evan Blackstone, General Counsel, Office of the State Auditor
- 12:00 noon **New Mexico Mainstreet Coalition**
—Elmo Baca, Legislative Advocate
- 12:30 p.m. **University of New Mexico: Business Essentials for Community
 Entrepreneurs**
—Amy Wohlert, Dean, Anderson School of Management
—Alistair Preston, Director of Extended Programs
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- 1:30 p.m. **Consideration of Committee Endorsements**
- 2:30 p.m. **Adjourn**