

Revised: October 20, 2021

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

**October 21-22, 2021
State Capitol, Senate Chambers
Santa Fe**

Thursday, October 21

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to Order and Introductions**
—Senator Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics, Chair, Water and Natural Resources
Committee (WNRC)
- 9:15 a.m. (1) **Community Solar Rulemaking Update**
—Joseph M. Maestas, Commissioner, District 3, Public Regulation
Commission (PRC)
—Cynthia B. Hall, Commissioner, District 1, PRC
—John Reynolds, Director, Utility Division, PRC
—Arthur O'Donnell, United States Department of Energy Fellow, PRC
- 10:00 a.m. (2) **Discussion of Proposed Revisions to the Sustainable Building Tax
Credit**
—Robin Ribble-Harder, Portfolio Manager, New Mexico Residential
Programs, ICF International
—Amanda Hatherly, Director, New Mexico EnergySmart Academy, Santa
Fe Community College
—Steve Hale, Program Director, Build Green New Mexico
- 10:45 a.m. (3) **Technology to End Flaring**
—Anna Pierini, Business Development Manager, Crusoe Energy Systems,
Inc.
—Vincent Whisker, Technical Business Development Manager, Crusoe
Energy Systems, Inc.
- 11:30 a.m. (4) **Update on New Mexico Agriculture**
—Tiffany Rivera, Director of Government Affairs, New Mexico Farm and
Livestock Bureau
—Debbie Hughes, Executive Director, New Mexico Association of
Conservation Districts
—Charles Marquez, Lobbyist, New Mexico Chile Association

- 12:15 p.m. **Approval of Minutes**
- 12:20 p.m. **Public Comment***
- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:15 p.m. (5) **Confinement of Egg-Laying Hens**
—Jerry Wilkins, Morning Fresh Farms
—Glenn Hickman, Hickman's Family Farms
—Jessica Johnson, Chief Government Affairs Officer, Animal Protection Voters
- 2:00 p.m. (6) **Agriculture in the Classroom**
—Tiffany Rivera, Director of Government Affairs, New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau
—Traci Curry, Director, New Mexico Agriculture in the Classroom
- 2:45 p.m. (7) **Report on the New Mexico Unit Fund**
—Ali Effati, Colorado River Basin Bureau Chief, Interstate Stream Commission (ISC)
—Marquita Russel, Chief Executive Officer, New Mexico Finance Authority (invited)
—Priscilla Lucero, Executive Director, Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments; Member, Water Trust Board
—Hannah Riseley-White, Deputy Director, ISC
—Jennifer Baca, Program Manager, ISC
- 4:00 p.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION (Closed Meeting): Update on *Texas v. New Mexico***
—Cholla Khoury, Director, Consumer and Environmental Protection Division, Office of the Attorney General

5:00 p.m. **Recess**

Friday, October 22

- 9:00 a.m. **Reconvene**
—Senator Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics, Chair, WNRC
- 9:15 a.m. (8) **The Work of the Natural Resources Trustee**
—Maggie Hart Stebbins, Natural Resources Trustee, Office of Natural Resources Trustee
- 10:00 a.m. (9) **Department of Game and Fish Budget and Staffing Needs**
—Michael Sloane, Director, Department of Game and Fish

- 10:45 a.m. (10) [Public Regulation Commission Budget and Staffing Needs](#)
—Wayne Propst, Chief of Staff, PRC
—Renada Peery-Galon, Director, Administrative Services Division, PRC
- 11:30 a.m. (11) [Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department Budget and Staffing Needs](#)
—Sarah Cottrell Propst, Secretary, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. (12) [Department of Environment Budget and Staffing Needs](#)
—Stephanie Stringer, Deputy Secretary, Operations, Department of Environment
- 1:45 p.m. (13) [Office of the State Engineer \(OSE\) Budget and Staffing Needs](#)
—John R. D'Antonio, Jr., P.E., State Engineer, OSE
—Jeff Primm, Program Support Director, OSE
- 2:30 p.m. (14) [Report on Funding Support for the New Mexico State University Agricultural Experiment Station and its Statewide Science Centers](#)
—Senator Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics, Chair, WNRC
- 2:45 p.m. (15) [Consideration of Legislation for Endorsement](#)
—WNRC Members
- 4:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

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