

# **Integrating Renewable Energy Resources**

**Key Points and Effects on Cooperatives**

**Presentation to**

**Interim Water & Natural Resources Committee**

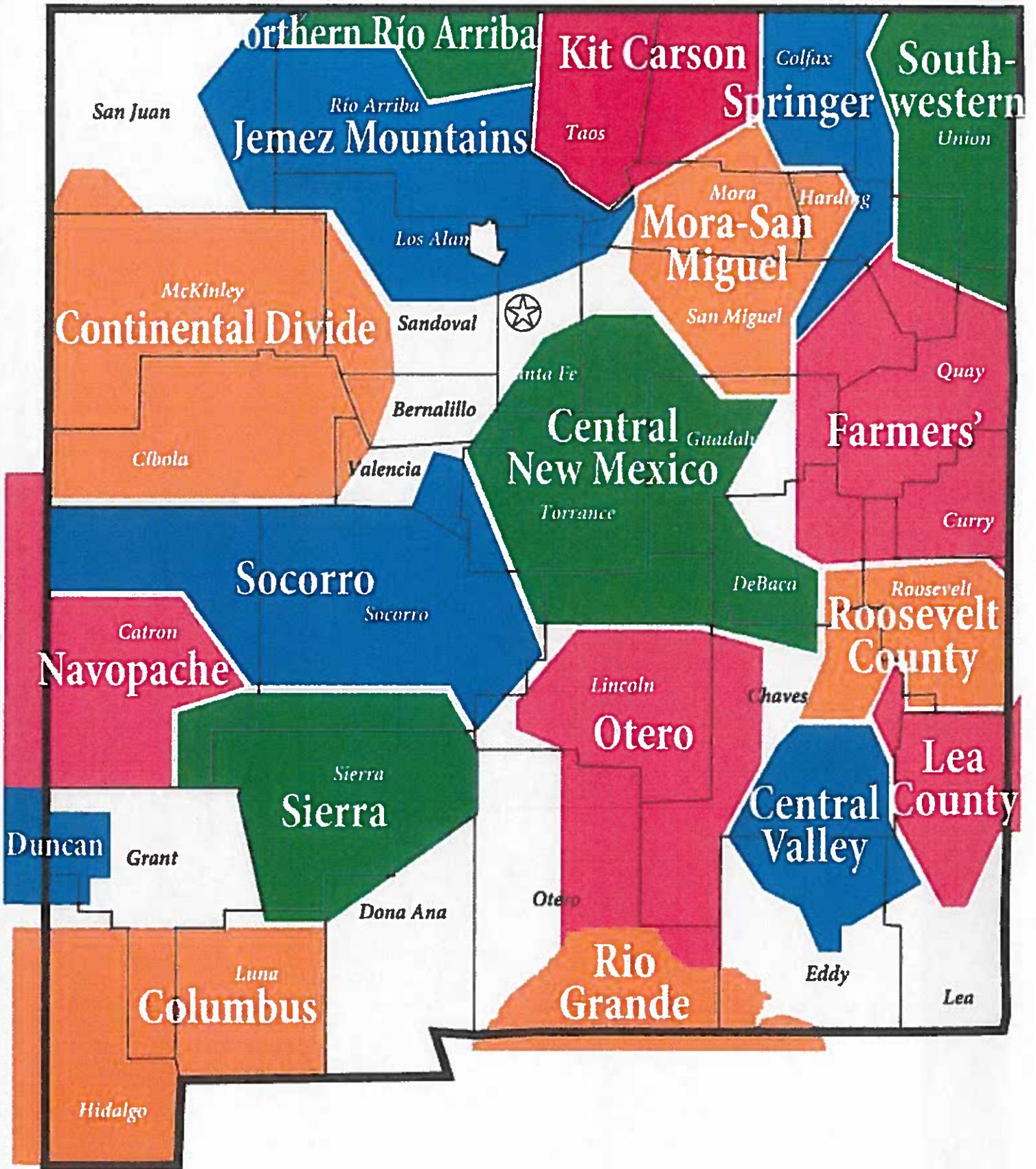
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# New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperatives



## **Integration of Renewable Energy Generation into the Electric Cooperative System**

### **Reliability and Affordability**

Integrating renewable energy generation into the rural electric cooperative system should maintain or enhance the reliability and affordability of the existing operations and service.

### **Investments in the Distribution Infrastructure by the Cooperative Membership Must be Recovered**

Current and Future costs need to be recovered in a neutral manner, without placing an undue burden on any customer group. Distribution costs and contractual costs between cooperatives and their suppliers, and any other validated/approved distribution costs should be recovered through fixed charges.

### **Fixed Charges Should Balance the Customer Costs Between Distributed Generation Members and Non-Distributed Generation Members**

The fixed cost of providing service to the Co-op Membership shall minimize any subsidy between Members that choose to install a renewable generator and Members that choose not to install a renewable generator.

## New Mexico Co-op Renewable Energy Resources

Technology	Type	No. of Customers	Capacity (kW)
Solar	Residential	1,387	6,060
Solar	Commercial	54	1,178
Solar	Co-op	10	7,500
Wind	Residential	15	50
Wind	Commercial	4	1,965
Wind	Co-op	5	61,400
Distribution Co-op	Total	1,475	78,153
	<b>G&amp;T Projects</b>		
Solar		2	55,000
		1,477	133,153

## New Mexico Co-op Statistics

<b>Total Assets</b>	\$1,223,974,406
<b>Total Utility Plant</b>	\$1,196,879,769
<b>Net Utility Plant</b>	\$794,316,193
<b>Total Equity</b>	\$514,309,394
<b>RUS Long-Term Debt</b>	\$410,959,289
<b>Other Long-Term Debt</b>	\$187,738,092
<b>Distribution O&amp;M Expense</b>	\$44,072,809
<b>Equity as a % of Assets</b>	42%

<b>Residential Consumers</b>	167,294
<b>Commercial Consumers</b>	35,280
<b>Irrigation Consumers</b>	7,467
<b>Industrials Consumers</b>	92

<b>MWh Purchased</b>	5,834,612
<b>Cost Of Power</b>	\$350,442,251

<b>Residential Mwh Sales</b>	1,231,429
<b>Commercial MWh Sales</b>	1,812,723
<b>Irrigation MWh Sales</b>	600,244
<b>Industrial MWh Sales</b>	1,769,275
<b>Total MWh Sales</b>	5,506,649

<b>Residential Revenues</b>	\$160,471,226
<b>Commercial Revenues</b>	\$174,960,984
<b>Irrigation Revenues</b>	\$53,647,439
<b>Industrial Revenues</b>	\$123,306,455
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$520,711,071

<b>Monthly Residential kWh Usage</b>	613
<b>Miles of Line</b>	45,464
<b>Consumers Per Mile Of Line</b>	4.64
<b>Full Time Employees</b>	801

## Residential Customer Charge

<b>Customer Charge</b>	<b>\$/Month</b>
Lea County	\$14.00
Jemez Mountains	\$14.00
Kit Carson	\$14.50
Socorro	\$15.00
Central New Mexico	\$15.75
Otero County	\$16.00
Southwestern	\$17.00
Continental Divide	\$17.00
Farmers'	\$17.50
Northern Rio Arriba	\$20.00
Mora San Miguel	\$20.00
Columbus	\$20.00
Central Valley	\$20.00
Roosevelt County	\$22.00
Sierra	\$25.00
Springer	\$25.60
<b>Avg. Customer Charge</b>	<b>\$18.33</b>

## New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperative Member Incomes

Income	Co-op	State	U.S.
Average Household	\$54,671	\$62,814	\$74,877
Household per Capita	\$21,589	\$24,039	\$28,202

### Co-op vs. State

	\$ Diff	% Diff
Average Household	(\$8,143)	-13.0%
Household per Capita	(\$2,450)	-10.2%

### Co-op vs. U.S.

	\$ Diff	% Diff
Average Household	(\$20,206)	-27.0%
Household per Capita	(\$6,613)	-23.4%