

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

**August 16-17, 2012  
Ralph Edwards Auditorium  
Truth or Consequences Civic Center  
Truth or Consequences**

**Thursday, August 16**

- 10:00 a.m.     **Call to Order**
- 10:05 a.m.     **Welcoming Remarks**  
—John Mulcahy, Mayor, Truth or Consequences
- 11:00 a.m.     **The Copper Flat Project: Copper Mining and Economic Development in  
Sierra County**  
—Ann Carpenter, Project Director, Copper Flat Mine
- 12:00 noon    **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.     **Updates on the MainStreet Program**  
—Linda DeMarino, President, Truth or Consequences MainStreet  
—Mark Lake, Director, Tucumcari MainStreet; Chair, New Mexico Coalition of  
MainStreet Communities (NMCMSC)  
—Amy Barnhart, Director, Carlsbad MainStreet; Treasurer, NMCMSC  
—Cynthia Spray, Director, Taos Arts and Cultural District; Secretary, NMCMSC
- 2:00 p.m.     **Development of Pecan Industry and Its Economic Impact**  
—Dr. Richard Heerema, Extension Pecan Specialist, Cooperative Extension  
Service, New Mexico State University (NMSU)  
—Brad Lewis, Research Entomologist, Agricultural Experiment Station, NMSU  
—David Lucero, Director, Marketing and Development Division, New Mexico  
Department of Agriculture
- 3:00 p.m.     **The Economic Impact of NMSU**  
—Dr. Jim Peach, Regents Professor, Department of Economics and International  
Business, NMSU
- 4:00 p.m.     **Capital Outlay Reform White Paper**  
—Hubert Quintana, Executive Director, Southeastern New Mexico Development  
District

5:00 p.m.     **Recess**

**Friday, August 17**

9:00 a.m.     **Call to Order**

9:05 a.m.     **Update on Spaceport America and Tour**  
—Christine Anderson, Executive Director, Spaceport Authority

12:00 noon    **Adjourn**