

**MINUTES
of the
FIRST MEETING
of the
ECONOMIC AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

**May 14, 2026
State Capitol, Room 322
Santa Fe**

The first meeting of the Economic and Rural Development and Policy Committee was called to order by Representative Doreen Y. Gallegos, chair, on Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 1:37 p.m. in Room 322 of the State Capitol in Santa Fe.

Present

Rep. Doreen Y. Gallegos, Chair
Sen. Angel M. Charley, Vice Chair
Rep. Janelle Anyanonu
Rep. Gail Armstrong
Sen. Jay C. Block
Sen. Pat Boone
Sen. Crystal Brantley
Rep. Nicole Chavez
Rep. Martha Garcia
Rep. Joshua N. Hernandez
Sen. Antonio Maestas
Rep. Alan T. Martinez
Sen. Micaelita Debbie O'Malley
Sen. Shannon D. Pinto
Rep. Patricia Roybal Caballero
Rep. Linda Serrato
Sen. Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics

Advisory Members

Rep. Catherine J. Cullen
Sen. Natalie Figueroa
Sen. David M. Gallegos
Rep. Jenifer Jones
Rep. Charlotte Little
Rep. Tara L. Lujan
Rep. Rod Montoya
Rep. Mark B. Murphy

Absent

Rep. Marian Matthews
Rep. Sarah Silva
Rep. Martin R. Zamora

Sen. Heather Berghmans
Rep. Meredith A. Dixon
Rep. Anita Gonzales
Sen. Steve D. Lanier
Rep. Raymundo Lara
Rep. Stefani Lord
Rep. Patricia A. Lundstrom
Rep. Jimmy G. Mason
Sen. Joshua A. Sanchez
Sen. William E. Sharer
Sen. Nicole Tobiassen
Sen. James G. Townsend

Staff

Lisa Rivera Morrison, Staff Attorney, Legislative Council Service (LCS)

Erin Bond, Researcher, LCS

Marisa Garcia-Hart, Administrative Assistant, LCS

Guests

The guest list is in the meeting file.

Handouts

Handouts and other written testimony are in the meeting file and posted on the legislature's website.

References to Webcast

The time reference noted next to each agenda item in this document is cross-referenced to the webcast of the committee meeting, which can be found at www.nmlegis.gov, under the "Webcast" tab. The presentations made and committee discussions for agenda items can be found on the recorded webcast for this meeting.

Thursday, May 14**Introductions of Committee and Staff (1:38 p.m.)**

Committee members and staff introduced themselves.

2026 Proposed Work Plan, Meeting Schedule and Locations (1:46 p.m.)

Representative Gallegos discussed the creation of the work plan and meeting schedule. Committee members discussed and suggested changes to the proposed work plan and meeting schedule for the 2026 interim.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m.