

Revised: November 13, 2017

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
FIFTH MEETING IN 2017
of the
WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**November 13-14, 2017
State Capitol, Room 322
Santa Fe**

Monday, November 13

- 8:30 a.m. **Call to Order and Welcome**
—Senator Joseph Cervantes, Chair, Water and Natural Resources
Committee
- 8:45 a.m. (1) **Rural Electric Cooperative Rates for Retail Customers Who Consume
the Majority of Electricity from a Local Distribution Cooperative**
—Julie Moore, Senior Director, State Government Affairs, Occidental
Petroleum Corporation
—Melissa A. Trevino, Energy Manager, Occidental Energy Ventures LLC
—Anthony "T.J." Trujillo, Attorney, Gallagher and Kennedy
—Brad Nebergall, Senior Vice President of Energy Management, Tri-State
Generation and Transmission Association
—Keven Groenewold, Chief Executive Officer, New Mexico Rural Electric
Cooperative Association
—Brian Hobbs, General Counsel, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative
—Gary Rinker, General Manager, Southwestern Electric Cooperative
- 10:15 a.m. (2) **Changing the Renewable Portfolio Standard**
—Theresa Cardenas, New Mexico Outreach Consultant, Union of
Concerned Scientists (UCS)
—Julie McNamara, Energy Analyst, UCS
—Tom Solomon, 350 New Mexico
—Patrick O'Connell, Director of Planning and Resources, Public Service
Company of New Mexico (PNM)
- 11:45 a.m. **Working Lunch**
- (3) **Natural Gas Venting and Flaring; Report on Senate Memorial 102
(2017) and Responses**
—Ken McQueen, Secretary of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources
—Jon Goldstein, Director, Regulatory and Legislative Affairs,
Environmental Defense Fund
—James Jimenez, New Mexico Voices for Children
—Ryan Flynn, Executive Director, New Mexico Oil and Gas Association

- 1:45 p.m. (4) [Distributed Solar Energy Financing Issues](#)
—Rachel Hillier, Executive Director, Renewable Energy Industry Association
—Kent R. Williams, Vice President, Asset Management, Vivint Solar
—Regina Wheeler, Chief Executive Officer, Positive Energy Solar
—Athena Christodoulou, President, New Mexico Solar Energy Association
- 3:00 p.m. (5) [Follow-Up Report from the New Mexico Central Arizona Project \(NM CAP\) Entity](#)
—Anthony Gutierrez, Executive Director, NM CAP Entity
- 4:15 p.m. (6) [Required Reports from the Interstate Stream Commission and State Engineer](#)
—Office of the State Engineer
—Interstate Stream Commission
- 5:00 p.m. **Recess**

Tuesday, November 14

- 9:00 a.m. (7) [Texas v. New Mexico and Colorado, No. 141, Original; Status and Litigation Update](#) [Executive Session—Closed to the Public]
—Tania Maestas, Office of the Attorney General
—Office of the State Engineer
- 10:30 a.m. (8) [Lower Rio Grande Water Users and Elephant Butte Irrigation District \(EBID\); Negotiations on Water Management in the Lower Rio Grande and Related Issues](#)
—Alvin Jones, Attorney, Southern Rio Grande Diversified Crop Farmers Association
—John Utton, Attorney, New Mexico State University, PNM and Camino Real Regional Utility Authority
—Jay Stein, Attorney, City of Las Cruces
—Tessa Davidson, Attorney, New Mexico Pecan Growers Association
—Samantha Barncastle, Attorney, EBID
- 12:00 noon (9) [Energy Redevelopment Bonding Act Proposal](#)
—Gerard Ortiz, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Economic Development, PNM
—Sayuri Yamada, Director of Governmental Affairs, PNM
—Noah Long, Legal Director, Western Energy, Natural Resources Defense Council
- 1:00 p.m. **Adjourn**