

Revised: August 28, 2017

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

**August 31-September 1, 2017
Cimarron High School
165 N. Collison Avenue
Cimarron**

Thursday, August 31

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to Order and Introductions**
—Senator Benny Shendo, Jr., Chair
- 9:15 a.m. (1) **Welcome**
—Matthew Gonzales, Village Administrator, Village of Cimarron
- 9:30 a.m. (2) **Tourism and Ranching: Economic Development in Cimarron**
—Mark Anderson, Director of Program, High Adventure Department,
 Philmont Scout Ranch and Training Center
- 10:00 a.m. (3) **Supporting In-State Industries with Government Procurement**
—Tim Keller, State Auditor, Office of the State Auditor
—Sarita Nair, Chief Government Accountability Officer and General
 Counsel, Office of the State Auditor
- 11:00 a.m. (4) **Deploying Broadband in Rural New Mexico**
—Paul Briesch, Jr., Vice President, Baca Valley Telephone Company
- 11:45 a.m. (5) **Colfax County Aquifer Mapping and Its Importance to Economic
Development**
—Bill Sauble, Chair, Colfax County Commission
—Kate Zeigler, Ph.D., Zeigler Geologic Consulting
- 12:30 p.m. **Approval of Minutes**
- 12:35 p.m. **Lunch**

- 1:30 p.m. (6) [Health Care Development in Colfax County](#)
—Kaycee Sandoval, Business Operations Manager, South Central Colfax
County Special Hospital District
—Nate Lay, Chief of Medical Services, Philmont Scout Ranch and Training
Center
- 2:30 p.m. (7) [Rural Health Care Access and Health Care As a Job Recruitment Tool](#)
—Jason Espinoza, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), New
Mexico Association of Commerce and Industry
—Jeff Dye, President and CEO, New Mexico Hospital Association
—Dan Weeks, Policy and Government Relations, New Mexico Hospital
Association
—Mike Wallace, Director of Special Projects, DaVita Medical Group
- 3:30 p.m. (8) [Health Insurance and Provider Access in Rural Markets](#)
—Paige Duhamel, Esq., Health Care Policy Manager, Office of
Superintendent of Insurance
- 4:30 p.m. **Public Comment**
- 4:45 p.m. **Recess**

Friday, September 1

- 9:00 a.m. **Reconvene — Introductions**
—Senator Benny Shendo, Jr., Chair
- 9:05 a.m. (9) [Transforming New Mexico's Energy Future](#)
—TBD, Public Service Company of New Mexico
- 10:00 a.m. (10) [Opportunities and Barriers: Developing Wind Infrastructure](#)
—Sarah Cottrell Propst, Executive Director, Interwest Energy Alliance
—Keith Sparks, Director of Development, Clean Line Energy
—Jill Felice, Landowner, Village of Corona (invited)
—Bernarr Treat, Manager for State Government Affairs, Xcel Energy
—Mike McLeod, Community Relations Manager, Xcel Energy
- 11:15 a.m. (11) [Moving New Mexico Toward 100% Clean Renewable Energy](#)
—Tom Solomon, Co-Coordinator, 350 New Mexico
- 12:00 noon **Public Comment**
- 12:15 p.m. **Adjourn**