



New Mexico Environment Department

Overview of NMED Tribal Collaboration
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NMED Mission

The mission of the NMED: to protect and restore the environment and to foster a healthy and prosperous New Mexico for present and future generations. We implement our mission guided by four tenets:

Science

Innovation

Collaboration

Compliance



State Tribal Collaboration Act

- Agencies mandated to develop policies to promote
 - ▣ Effective communication and collaboration with tribes
 - ▣ Positive government-to-government relations
 - ▣ Cultural competency in providing effective services
- NMED's policy addresses
 - ▣ When expanded/diverse public outreach is needed
 - ▣ If Limited English Proficiency services are necessary, and how to provide such services
 - ▣ Use of an interactive mapping tool to identify tribal lands (checkerboard and exterior boundaries)
 - ▣ Proper contact information for Tribes, Nations and Pueblos
- NMED gives courtesy notifications to officials with Tribes, Nations and Pueblos to ensure notice for those most interested in and potentially affected by NMED activities



Tribal Communication & Outreach

- ❑ Acoma Pueblo
- ❑ Cochiti Pueblo
- ❑ Isleta Pueblo
- ❑ Jemez Pueblo
- ❑ Laguna Pueblo
- ❑ Mescalero Apache
- ❑ Nambe Pueblo
- ❑ Navajo Nation
- ❑ Picuris Pueblo
- ❑ Pojoaque Pueblo
- ❑ Santa Ana Pueblo
- ❑ Santa Clara Pueblo
- ❑ San Felipe Pueblo
- ❑ Santo Domingo Pueblo
- ❑ Taos Pueblo
- ❑ Tesuque Pueblo
- ❑ Ute Mountain Ute Tribe
- ❑ Zuni Pueblo



Technical & Financial Assistance

- ❑ Water Quality Monitoring Support
- ❑ Training for
 - ▣ Wastewater Utility Operators
 - ▣ Solid Waste System Operators
- ❑ River Stewardship Program Projects
- ❑ Brownfields Program Projects
- ❑ Recycling and Illegal Dumping Projects
- ❑ Radon Testing Kits



Collaboration & Consultation

- Water Infrastructure Projects
 - ▣ Prioritization
 - ▣ Funding Implementation
 - ▣ Cultural Preservation Reviews
- Water Quality Monitoring
- Uranium Mine and Mill Cleanup Planning
- Waste Reduction and Recycling
- Leaking Petroleum Storage Tanks Cleanup



NMED Funding Programs

- ❑ River Stewardship Program
- ❑ Clean Water State Revolving Fund
- ❑ Drinking Water State Revolving Fund
- ❑ Recycling and Illegal Dumping (RAID) Fund
- ❑ Brownfield Programs



NMED Legislative Priorities

- ❑ Budget
- ❑ Water Quality Act Update
- ❑ PFAS Consumer and Environmental Protection Bill
- ❑ Hazardous Waste Act Amendment
- ❑ Solid Waste Act Modernization & Extended Producer Responsibility
- ❑ Permit fee fund flexibility

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