

Revised: October 6, 2017

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

**October 12-13, 2017  
Ballroom B, Fidel Center  
New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology  
Socorro**

**Thursday, October 12**

- 10:00 a.m.           **Call to Order and Welcome**  
—Senator Joseph Cervantes, Chair, Water and Natural Resources  
                                  Committee (WNRC)  
—Representative Gail Armstrong, Member, WNRC  
—Stephen G. Wells, President, New Mexico Institute of Mining and  
                                  Technology (NMIMT)
- 10:30 a.m.       (1)   **[Watershed Restoration Program Update and Response to House  
Memorial 99 and Senate Memorial 124 \(2017 Regular Session\)](#)**  
—Brent Racher, President, New Mexico Forest Industry Association  
—Laura McCarthy, Director, Conservation Programs, The Nature  
                                  Conservancy  
—Other Speakers, TBA
- 12:00 noon           **Lunch**
- 1:15 p.m.       (2)   **[Oil and Gas Research at NMIMT](#)**  
—Dr. Nelia Dunbar, Director and State Geologist, New Mexico Bureau of  
                                  Geology and Mineral Resources, NMIMT  
—Ron Broadhead, Senior Principal Petroleum Geologist, New Mexico  
                                  Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources, NMIMT  
—Robert Balch, Director, Petroleum Recovery Research Center, NMIMT
- 2:30 p.m.       (3)   **[Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District Overview; Middle Rio  
Grande Levee Projects; Endangered Species Act Collaborative  
Compliance Efforts; Cooperative Management of the Middle Rio  
Grande for Water Deliveries](#)**  
—Mike A. Hamman, Chief Executive Officer/Chief Engineer, Middle Rio  
                                  Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD)  
—John Kelly, Chair, Board of Directors, MRGCD  
—Glen Duggins, Vice Chair, Board of Directors, MRGCD  
—Interstate Stream Commission

4:30 p.m.           **Tour of New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources,  
NMIMT**

5:30 p.m.           **Recess**

**Friday, October 13**

9:00 a.m.       (4) **State Land Office Issues: Implementation of State Trust Lands  
Restoration and Remediation Fund**  
—Laura Riley, Deputy Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office

10:00 a.m.       (5) **State Land Office Policy on Protection of the Ogallala Aquifer**  
—Laura Riley, Deputy Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office

11:00 a.m.       (6) **Oil and Gas Water Recycling/Reuse Technology**  
—Patrick Padilla, Deputy Director, New Mexico Oil and Gas Association  
—Robert Huizenga, Cimarex Energy  
—Ken Nichols, Devon Energy

12:30 p.m.       **Adjourn**