

STAFF REPORTS

NEW MEXICO GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS,
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It has been a busy quarter as folks are beginning to have in-person meetings in New Mexico. The NM Legislative Interim committees have started and these meetings are being held around the State in-person but with webcasting as well. Here are a few activities we've participated in this quarter:

State Land Office Oil & Gas Advisory Committee meeting regarding the proposed Cultural Properties Rule.

Water and Natural Resources Interim Committee organizational meeting.

Legislative Finance Committee in May and in June. June meeting included an Oil & Gas update from economists and OCD Director Adrian Sandoval. Director Sandoval was grilled regarding the Methane Rule as well as other rules coming that will impact industry. Vice Chair Sen. George Munoz asked the Chair, Rep. Patty Lundstrom to have NMED present at a future meeting and discuss the economic impact of their upcoming rules.

Attended a presentation in Carlsbad regarding an upcoming hydrogen project in the Carlsbad area (WIPP).

Attended Mayor Janway's lunch launching the opening of the Permian Basin Counseling and Guidance Center opening in Carlsbad. This was made possible by a PSP grant to bring mental health services to Eddy and Lea Counties.

Participated in several zoom meetings with a sub-committee of the Regulatory Practices Committee regarding NMED Ozone Precursor Rule.