

STAFF REPORTS

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This past quarter things have picked up at a significant pace. Interim Legislative Committees have been meeting on a very regular basis as they begin to prepare for the upcoming 30-day session which commences on January 18, 2021.

Since the last report this is a list of activities:

Attended the Mayor's Energy Summit in Carlsbad

Attended meetings of the Legislative Finance Committee budget hearings

Attended the Legislative Science and Technology Committee hearing on carbon capture utilization and sequestration.

Attended the NM Transportation Commission meeting in Hobbs, over \$187 million has been appropriated for projects in SE New Mexico. US Highway 285, US 82, NM, NM 31 and NM 128 are among the major projects.

Attended the Revenue and Stabilization Committee to hear presentations on new gross receipts reporting requirements as it relates to destination sourcing. Signification change on how oil and gas service companies report.

The special session of the Legislature to tackle redistricting is tentatively set to begin Monday, Dec. 6th. It is rumored the Governor may ask the Legislature to consider other issues. One topic rumored is clean fuel standards which was proposed during the last session. I do not see her issuing her proclamation before Monday (December 6 which while that will occur before this board meeting, it was after this report was required for submission).

Once the Governor issues the proclamation, she or the legislature may not raise funds for their campaigns.