

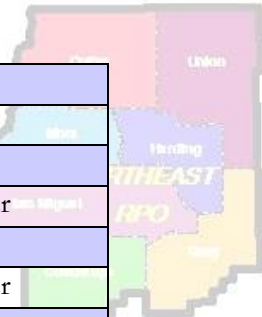
Meeting Minutes  
 Northeast Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NERTPO)  
 Hosted by NCNMEDD  
 Santa Fe Business Incubator (NCNMEDD Office)  
 3900 Paseo Del Sol  
 Santa Fe, NM 87507  
 January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019  
 10:00 a.m.



**Meeting Attendees**

Present/Absent	Name	Entity	Voting/Alternate
Present	Rick Tafoya	Village of Angel Fire	Alternate
Present	Richard Cordova-Chair	Village of Eagle Nest	Voting Member
Present	Ralph Lopez	City of Tucumcari	Alternate
Present	Chuck Howe V-Chair	Village of Angel Fire	Voting Member
Present	Ferron Lucero	Town of Clayton	Voting Member
Present	Mary Berglund	Village of Eagle Nest	Alternate
Present	Sam Blea	Town of Springer	Alternate
Present	Angie Gonzales	Union County	Alternate
Present	Daniel Gurule	City of Las Vegas	Voting Member
Present	Larry Moore	Quay County	Voting Member
Present	Vicki Strand	City of Tucumcari	Voting Member
Present	Landon Newton	Colfax County	Voting Member
Present	Jennifer Baca	Harding County	Voting Member
Present	Matthew Baca	Village of Roy	Alternate
Present	Angela Peinado	Village of Pecos	Alternate
Absent	Robert Thompson	Colfax County	Alternate
Absent	Walter Hall	Union County	Voting Member
Absent	Jason Phillips	City of Raton	Alternate
Absent	Scott Berry	City of Raton	Voting Member
Absent	Ernest Sanchez	Town of Clayton	Alternate
Absent	Ken Flores	Guadalupe County	Alternate
Absent	Shawn Jeffrey	Village of Cimarron	Voting Member
Absent	Renee Ledoux	Village of Cimarron	Alternate
Absent	Arnold Lopez	San Miguel County	Alternate
Absent	Vanita Menapace	Village of Mosquero	Voting Member
Absent	Richard Primrose	Quay County	Alternate
Absent	Monica Abeyta	Guadalupe County	Voting Member
Absent	Donna Sue Milson	Village of Roy	Voting Member
Absent	Adam Gallegos	City of Santa Rosa	Alternate
Absent	Morris Madrid	San Miguel County	Voting Member
Absent	Anita Allen	Village of House	Voting Member
Absent	Cynthia Lee	Village of San Jon	Voting Member
Absent	None	City of Las Vegas	Alternate
Absent	Paula Garcia	Mora County	Voting Member
Absent	George Trujillo	Mora County	Alternate
Absent	James Maestas	Harding County	Alternate

Absent	Connie Clark	Village of Mosquero	Alternate
Absent	Sherwin W. Martin	Village of House	Alternate
Absent	Wade Lane	Village of San Jon	Alternate
Absent	Lee Dixon	Village of Des Moines	Voting Member
Absent	Scott Warner	Village of Des Moines	Alternate
Absent	Telesfor Benavidez	Village of Pecos	Voting Member
Absent	Diane Brown	Village of Folsom	Voting Member
Absent	Mike Schoonover	Village of Folsom	Alternate
Absent	Mignon Saddoris	Village of Grenville	Voting Member
Absent	Lynn Wiseman	Village of Grenville	Alternate
Absent	Larry Wallin	Village of Logan	Voting Member
Absent	Russell Feerer	Village of Logan	Alternate
Absent	Joseph Romero	City of Santa Rosa	Voting Member
Absent	Boe Lopez	Town of Springer	Voting Member
Absent	Don Flynn	Village of Maxwell	Voting Member
Absent	Joanna Taylor	Village of Maxwell	Alternate
Absent	Laudente Quintana	Village of Wagon Mound	Voting Member
Absent	Nora Sanchez	Village of Wagon Mound	Alternate



**New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) and Planners**

John Herrera – Local Government Road Fund (LGRF) Coordinator for District IV  
 David Trujillo - D-4 Engineer  
 Joseph Moriarty - Planning Liaison  
 Yvonne Aragon - Public Information Officer  
 Dennis T. Salazar – NERTPO Planner/Program Manager for the North Central New Mexico Economic Development District (NCNMEDD)  
 Vincent M. Soule – NERTPO Planner/Program Manager for the Eastern Plains Council of Governments (EPCOG)  
 Eric Ghahate - NCNMEDD Community Development Director  
 Sky Tallman NMDOT

**Guests**

Sandra Garcia - Village of Angel Fire  
 Clay Kiesling - Union County  
 Ramona Quintana - Village of Pecos  
 Sarah Arias - Town of Springer  
 Mark Martinez - City of Tucumcari  
 Brian Moore - NM Counties-Government Relations

**I. Call to Order**

The Meeting was called to order at 10:12 AM by Mayor of Eagle Nest, Chairman Richard Cordova.

## II. Pledge of Allegiance/New Mexico State Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance and the salute to the New Mexico State Flag was led by Vice Chairman Chuck Howe.



## III. Welcome

Chairman Cordova welcomed everyone to our NERTPO meeting which was hosted by NCNMEDD. Chairman Cordova asked NCNMEDD Community Development Director Eric Ghahate to say a few words. Mr. Ghahate welcomed everyone to Santa Fe and to NCNMEDD.

## IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda: Landon Newton – Colfax County  
Second: Vicki Strand – City of Tucumcari  
No opposition was voiced.  
Motion carried.

## V. Approval of Minutes (November 28th, 2018- Town of Clayton)

Motion to approve the minutes as presented: VC Chuck Howe – Village of Angel Fire  
Second: Sam Blea – Town of Springer  
No opposition was voiced.  
Motion carried.

## VI. Discussion: NMDOT District IV Updates: (John Herrera, NMDOT)

Mr. David Trujillo gave an update regarding the happenings around District-4. Mr. Trujillo announced that Governor Lujan-Grisham named Michael Sandoval as the new Cabinet Secretary for NMDOT (pending Legislature approval). Mr. Trujillo updated the Board on the snow removal and road treatment as we have dealt with recent snow storms, many challenges with blowing snow. Mr. Trujillo gave an update on construction activity, most projects on suspension due to the winter weather. Mr. Trujillo opened up the floor to members of the board if they had any questions or comments regarding their specific communities. Colfax County Commissioner Landon Newton thanked Mr. Trujillo and his staff for being very responsive, Mayor/Chair Cordova and Vice-Chair Howe echoed the same sentiments.

Mr. John Herrera gave a brief update, advising everyone that disbursements need to be turned in as soon as possible and he will be in contact regarding the fully executed amendments. Mr. Herrera was available to answer questions from the board.

Mr. Joseph Moriarty announced that although the Federal Government is shut down the FHWA is still open for business and not affecting state RTPO Funding at this time. Due to the Government shutdown no new obligations in pipeline. The situation is being monitored as time passes.

**VII. Presentation: New Mexico Counties (Brian Moore – Government Relations)**

Mr. Brian Moore from New Mexico Counties-Government Relations gave a presentation regarding the current happenings regarding the NM Counties and updates at the NM State Legislature. Mr. Moore opened the floor for questions from the Board Members and those in attendance. Chairman Cordova thanked Mr. Moore for the presentation and the thorough updates.



**VIII. Presentation: New Mexico Municipal League (Mr. William F. Fulginiti – Executive Director)**

Due to some last-minute commitments with the NM State Legislature Mr. Fulginiti was unable to make the meeting and present.

**IX. Discussion: Project Status Update (Local Government Members)**

Chairman Cordova called on the NERTPO Membership to give updates regarding their respective communities on an individual basis. Chairman Cordova called on Members around the room to give a brief update regarding their respective communities.

**X. NERTPO Planners/Program Managers Report: (Vincent M. Soule and Dennis T. Salazar)**

Vincent M. Soule and Dennis T. Salazar gave respective updates about what is going on at EPCOG and NCNMEDD.

Mr. Salazar let the Board know that Mr. Thomas Garcia is still currently the Interim Executive Director at NCNMEDD but Interviews will be held in the near future for the permanent ED of NCNMEDD.

Mr. Salazar also advised that he and Planner Vincent Soule are open to ideas/suggestions from the Board as to how we can be more effective in communication as we are beginning a new year.

Eric Ghahate advised the Board that as we are concluding the TAP/RTP Process the next step is the Committee meeting in March to go over all the TAP/RTP Application process and hoping a decision may be made around early April. Updates will be given as the process rolls along.

Mr. Soule gave an update regarding the current legislative session to all members and how it directly affects the RTPO. Mr. Soule also let the Board know that “Transportation Day” at the Legislature will be on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. Soule and Mr. Salazar also advised that our Quarterly RTPO Meeting for RTPO entities across the state is being planned for March 6<sup>th</sup> tentatively. The plan is for the meeting to be held at NCNMEDD in Santa Fe.

**XI. New Business:**

No New Business to update.



**Meeting Locations:**

- ❖ February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Town of Mora
- ❖ March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 City of Raton
- ❖ April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Harding County (Roy, NM)

**XII. Adjournment**

With there being no further business to discuss Chairman Cordova called for adjournment. Meeting Adjourned at approximately 11:31 A.M.