

Meeting Minutes
 Northeast Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NERTPO)
 Hosted by the Village of Roy/Harding County
 Harding County Community Building
 557 Wagon Mound Highway
 Roy, NM 87743
 September 27th, 2017
 10:00 a.m.



Meeting Attendees

Present/Absent	Name	Entity	Voting/Alternate
Present	Landon Newton	Colfax County	Voting Member
Present	Rick Tafoya	Village of Angel Fire	Alternate
Present	Robert E. Aragon	Harding County	Voting Member
Present	James Maestas	Harding County	Alternate
Present	Vanita Menapace	Village of Mosquero	Voting Member
Present	Donna Sue Milson	Village of Roy	Voting Member
Present	Anita Allen	Village of House	Voting Member
Present	Larry Moore	Quay County	Voting Member
Present	Cynthia Lee	Village of San Jon	Voting Member
Present	Vicki Strand	City of Tucumcari	Voting Member
Present	Ralph Lopez	City of Tucumcari	Alternate
Present	Walter Hall	Union County	Voting Member
Present	Angie Gonzales	Union County	Alternate
Present	Timothy P. Dodge	City of Santa Rosa	Voting Member
Present	Danica Gonzales	City of Santa Rosa	Alternate
Present	Ken Flores	Guadalupe County	Voting Member
Present	Monica Abeyta	Guadalupe County	Alternate
Present	Richard Cordova	Village of Eagle Nest	Voting Member
Present	Mary Berglund	Village of Eagle Nest	Alternate
Absent	Les Montoya	San Miguel County	Voting Member
Absent	Morris Madrid	San Miguel County	Alternate
Absent	Andrew Jiron	City of Las Vegas	Voting Member
Absent	Matt Griego	City of Las Vegas	Alternate
Absent	Paula Garcia	Mora County	Voting Member
Absent	George Trujillo	Mora County	Alternate
Absent	Robert Thompson	Colfax County	Alternate
Absent	Scott Berry	City of Raton	Voting Member
Absent	Jason Phillips	City of Raton	Alternate
Absent	Mindy Cahill	Village of Cimarron	Voting Member
Absent	Anita LeDoux	Village of Cimarron	Alternate
Absent	Chuck Howe	Village of Angel Fire	Voting Member
Absent	Connie Clark	Village of Mosquero	Alternate

Absent	Dorothy Hazen	Village of Roy	Alternate
Absent	Cathy Ray	Village of House	Alternate
Absent	Richard Primrose	Quay County	Alternate
Absent	Wade Lane	Village of San Jon	Alternate
Absent	Ferron Lucero	Town of Clayton	Voting Member
Absent	Tony Naranjo	Town of Clayton	Alternate
Absent	Lee Dixon	Village of Des Moines	Voting Member
Absent	Scott Warner	Village of Des Moines	Alternate
Absent	None	Village of Pecos	Voting Member
Absent	None	Village of Pecos	Alternate
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	Shawn Jeffrey	Town of Springer	Voting Member
Absent	Sam Blea	Town of Springer	Alternate
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



NM Department of Transportation (NMDOT) and Planners

- David Trujillo – NMDOT District IV Engineer
- John Herrera – NMDOT Local Government Road Fund (LGRF) Coordinator (District IV)
- Dennis T. Salazar – NERTPO Planner of Northcentral Economic Development District (NCNMEDD)
- Vincent M. Soule – NERTPO Planner of Eastern Plains Council of Governments (EPCOG)
- Eric Ghahate – Community Development Director of NCNMEDD

Guests

- Daniel Gurule – City of Las Vegas
- Richard Runyan – Dennis Engineering Co.
- Tim Hagaman – NM Economic Development Department (NMEDD)
- Mary Libby Campbell – Harding County Main Street

I. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 10:08 AM by 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 Chairman Richard Cordova.



III. Welcome

Chairman Richard Cordova welcomed everyone to the Village of Roy and Harding County.

Individual introductions were conducted by all in attendance.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda: Donna Sue Milson – Village of Roy

Second: Landon Newton – Colfax County

No opposition was voiced.

Motion Carried.

V. Approval of Minutes (August 23rd, 2017 – Springer, NM)

Motion to approve the minutes: Landon Newton – Colfax County

Second: Vicki Strand – City of Tucumcari

No opposition was voiced.

Motion Carried.

VI. NMDOT District Four Update/ NMDOT Staff (Mr. David Trujillo-District Four Engineer and Staff)

Mr. David Trujillo, NMDOT District IV Engineer, gave the following update:

- ❖ Winter operations are currently being prepped
- ❖ Winter coordination meetings will be held
- ❖ District IV Maintenance Supervisor meeting was held last month
- ❖ Finishing summer activities
 - A little behind on mowing, but will be finished – rain and moisture has been a slight issue
- ❖ Pothole patching is ongoing
 - Moisture is an issue with this as well, but the job is being done very well considering the issues
- ❖ Construction on the South Raton Interchange project is still ongoing
 - Moving close to completion
- ❖ Bridge rehabilitation project ongoing
 - Colfax and Mora County
 - Substantial completion
- ❖ I-25 South of Raton Project
 - Has been completed by contractors
 - Final parts are coming in
- ❖ Raton Pass Project that let last month
 - Very large project
 - Be awarded in the next couple of months
 - Numbers are good

- ❖ Fencing is still ongoing in the district
- ❖ Las Vegas area has been busy the past summer
- ❖ NM 434 work is ongoing
- ❖ NM 518 pavement rehab project is ongoing
- ❖ Tucumcari project office is going to be pretty busy this year
- ❖ US 54 bridge work to be done
- ❖ NM 209 paperwork to be finalized
- ❖ NM 469 rehab projects to be done
- ❖ District budget is still flat
 - Making do with what can be done
 - Winter operations take a significant portion of the budget



Mr. Trujillo stood for any questions. Chairman Cordova commended District IV for the work they do on a limited budget. The Chairman stated that the New Mexico Municipal League (NMML) is going to sponsor bills that would leverage more revenue for the district to utilize. Mr. Trujillo was asked on “Bobcat Pass” near Red River, NM. There is some effort put towards it; drivers need to drive the speed limit to help out with the area.

NM 39 is on the STIP.

NM 434: second and third phase are going towards final design. It should be starting in the next couple of months.

John Herrera, LGRF Coordinator, stated that FY 18 agreements were sent out June 23rd. It takes 30-45 days to fully execute. Send back agreements ASAP. Commission just approved match waivers. If you need time extensions, now is the time to do it. Stay on CPMS. Mr. Herrera is typically out on the field Monday through Thursdays and will best be contacted via email. No questions were posed for Mr. Herrera.

VII. Discussion/Action: NERTPO Scheduling (NERTPO Members)

NERTPO members were presented with the NERTPO schedule that was planned out for 2017, 2018, and 2019. First order of business and discussion was to include January in the meeting schedule. This was agreed upon. John Herrera, LGRF Coordinator, also suggested a standing item to the subject of the February meeting.

The option of having a January meeting included in the schedule was posed to the board.

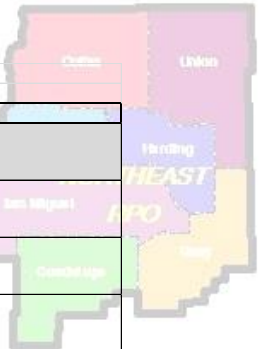
Motion to include a January meeting: Vicki Strand – City of Tucumcari

Second: Larry Moore – Quay County

No opposition was voiced.

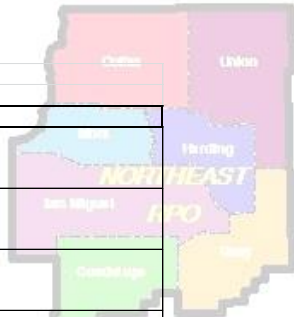
Motion carried.

The following schedule is the current schedule for NERTPO as discussed and agreed upon for September 27th, 2017:



Year:		2017			
Month	Day	Main Topic	Entity Volunteer	Location	Comments
January	OFF	OFF	OFF		OFF
February	15	Title VI, MVD	Village of Angel Fire	Angel Fire Community Center 15 CS Ranch Road Angel Fire, NM 87701	
March	22	NM FUNDIT	Colfax County	Pappas' Sweet Shop 121 S. 2nd St. Raton, NM 88740	
April	26	LGRF, Asset Management, Trails	Village of Eagle Nest	Eagle Nest Community Center 151 Willow Creek Dr. Eagle Nest, NM 87718	
May	18	Asphalt Pavement	City of Las Vegas	Highlands University Student Union Building Room 322 1005 Diamond St. Las Vegas, NM 87701	Meeting started at noon so others may attend the Transportation Commission Meeting held at NMDOT D4 offices.
June	27	ADA, NM Rail Plan	Village of Angel Fire	H2 Uptown Restaurant 48 North Angel Fire Road Angel Fire, NM 87701	
July	26	NERTPO Plan, STIP Amendment	City of Santa Rosa	Blue Hole Convention Center 1085 Blue Hole Road Santa Rosa, NM 88435	Moved to the Tuesday of the typical week of meeting so planners may attend a conference in Denver, CO.
August	23	Election of Officers, Resolutions, Planning 101	Town of Springer	Springer Rodeo Pavilion 61 Airport Road Springer, NM 87747	
September	27	RTIPR Rating & Ranking Process	Harding County/Village of Roy	Harding County Community Building 557 Wagon Mound Highway Roy, NM 87743	
October	18	Legislative Prioritization Workshop	San Miguel County/City of Las Vegas	TBA	
November	8	Transit Rating & Ranking	City of Tucumcari	Railroad Historical Museum 416 S. Adam St. Tucumcari, NM 88401	Meeting is day before Thanksgiving. November 23 is Thanksgiving. Date change to 8 to encourage attendance?
December	OFF	OFF	OFF		OFF

Year:		2018			
Month	Day	Main Topic	Entity Volunteer		Comments
January	24	Legislative Planning/Topics	NCNMEDD		
February	28	LGRF Workshop, Traffic Permit and Special Events Process Workshop			
March	28	Legislative Updates			
April	25	RTIPR Call for Projects			Establish deadlines for initial submissions and final submissions.
May	23	ICIP & Planning Workshop			
June	27	Open Meetings Act Resolution, RWP, PPP			
July	25	Inception to Completion mini Workshop			
August	22	Election of Officers and Amendments			
September	26	RTIPR Rating & Ranking			
October	24	Legislative Prioritization Workshop			Possibility NMIFC will begin on this day. Move to 17?
November	21	Transit Rating & Ranking			Regular meeting date is day before Thanksgiving (November 22 is Thanksgiving). Move to 14?
December	OFF	OFF	OFF		OFF



Year:		2019			
Month	Day	Main Topic	Entity Volunteer	Comments	
January	23	Legislative Planning/Topics	NCNMEDD		
February	27	LGRF Workshop, Traffic Permit and Special Events Process Workshop			
March	27	Legislative Updates			
April	24	RTIPR Call for Projects		Establish deadlines for initial submissions and final submissions.	
May	22	ICIP & Planning Workshop			
June	26	Open Meetings Act Resolution, RWP, PPP			
July	24	Inception to Completion mini Workshop			
August	28	Election of Officers and Amendments			
September	25	RTIPR Rating & Ranking			
October	23	Legislative Prioritization Workshop		Possibility NMIFC will begin on this day. Move to 16?	
November	27	Transit Rating & Ranking		Regular meeting date is day before Thanksgiving (November 28 is Thanksgiving). Move to 20?	
December	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	

Chairman Cordova stated that dates after November of this year will be decided on in the next meeting. Therefore, the schedule is up to amendments in the future. The schedule may be accessed online at www.rtponm.org/north-east.

VIII. Discussion/Action: NERTPO Rating and Ranking RTIPR (NERTPO Planners & NMDOT)

Planners spoke to the membership about the current process of the NERTPO RTIPR. The importance of the RTIPR was discussed with the membership. The RTIPR as it currently is was overviewed. The process was based off of an older process and the RTIPR has not been used for years with NERTPO. NMDOT District IV Engineer, David Trujillo, did state the District does approve of the RTIPR and would like to assist in the process especially with building the STIP. The membership agreed to the importance of the RTIPR. Planners brought up the criteria that may be used for the rating and ranking process. More discussion with the NERTPO board was held in regards to the unique situations of each entity. Chairman Cordova suggested an email response be given to the planners to collect possible criteria per suggestions of the members. The planners agreed to this. A deadline was set for members to give suggestions by October 11th, 2017. This would give planners a week to collect and present the suggestions to the board. It was emphasized that this is a major process, but one that can add value to the organization as a regional planning organization.



IX. Discussion: Project Status update (Local Government Members)

Colfax County is taking on TIGER 8 grant sponsorship for Southwest Chief. All other local governments reported that all projects, CDBG or otherwise, are ongoing and progressing as needed. Environmental reviews have been submitted and documents for projects are good.

X. Update from the NERTPO Planners/Program Managers

Planners thanked the members for the members' efforts put into the meetings and with the planning process.

Planners went over the updated made to www.rtponm.org website in regards to NERTPO and how anyone may sign-up for NERTPO emails at <http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/52FCha1dxUcW78Oe6d> by accessing the form through the website. Planners also went over the website resources and information that is available on the website under www.rtponm.org/north-east.

It was stated that the process is a time consuming process and is not complete. More is to be added to the website and development of other digital means of communication (central email, social media, etc.) will need to be done. The process will most likely have a bumpy start, as most tend to, but bumps should be worked out quickly.

CDBG Workshop was stated to be on the 24th at Albuquerque. NM Infrastructure and Finance Conference (NMIFC) will be October 25th to the 27th in Santa Fe, NM. The White House has backed off the \$1 trillion investment into infrastructure via Private—Public Partnerships (P3s). P3s were found to not be sustainable, and therefore a new method is needed. A bipartisan agreement may be underway; that is still to be decided. Continuing Resolutions (CRs) are expected for the next FFY from Congress.

Planners stood for any questions. None were asked of the planners.

XI. New Business

A. General Comments and Announcements from NERTPO Members and Public

B. Suggested agenda Items for upcoming meetings

- RTIPR Survey Question Results by NERTPO Planners.

C. Meeting Locations:

- ❖ **October 18th, 2017: San Miguel County**
- ❖ **November 8th, 2017: City of Tucumcari**
- ❖ **December 2017: Cancelled for Holidays**
- ❖ **January 24th, 2018: TBD**

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Richard Cordova – Village of Eagle Nest

Second: Larry Moore – Quay County

With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:34 AM.

