

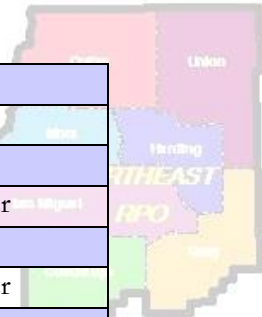
Meeting Minutes  
 Northeast Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NERTPO)  
 Hosted by Mora County  
 Gertrudis Catholic Parish Hall  
 1 Church Plz  
 Mora, NM 87732  
 February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
 10:00 a.m.



**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	Chuck Howe V-Chair	Village of Angel Fire	Voting Member
Present	Sam Blea	Town of Springer	Alternate
Present	Larry Moore	Quay County	Voting Member
Present	Landon Newton	Colfax County	Voting Member
Present	Angela Peinado	Village of Pecos	Alternate
Present	Clay Kiesling	Union County	Voting Member
Present	Shawn Jeffrey	Village of Cimarron	Voting Member
Present	Renee Ledoux	Village of Cimarron	Alternate
Present	Arnold Lopez	San Miguel County	Voting Member
Present	Monica Abeyta	Guadalupe County	Voting Member
Absent	Ralph Lopez	City of Tucumcari	Alternate
Absent	Ferron Lucero	Town of Clayton	Voting Member
Absent	Mary Berglund	Village of Eagle Nest	Alternate
Absent	Angie Gonzales	Union County	Alternate
Absent	Daniel Gurule	City of Las Vegas	Voting Member
Absent	Vicki Strand	City of Tucumcari	Voting Member
Absent	Jennifer Baca	Harding County	Voting Member
Absent	Matthew Baca	Village of Roy	Alternate
Absent	Robert Thompson	Colfax County	Alternate
Absent	Jason Phillips	City of Raton	Alternate
Absent	Scott Berry	City of Raton	Voting Member
Absent	Tony Naranjo	Town of Clayton	Alternate
Absent	Ken Flores	Guadalupe County	Alternate
Absent	Vanita Menapace	Village of Mosquero	Voting Member
Absent	Richard Primrose	Quay County	Alternate
Absent	Donna Sue Milson	Village of Roy	Voting Member
Absent	Vacant	City of Santa Rosa	Alternate
Absent	Vacant	San Miguel County	Alternate
Absent	Anita Allen	Village of House	Voting Member
Absent	Cynthia Lee	Village of San Jon	Voting Member
Absent	Vacant	City of Las Vegas	Alternate
Absent	Paula Garcia	Mora County	Voting Member
Absent	George Trujillo	Mora County	Alternate
Absent	Pedro Laumbach	Harding County	Alternate

Absent	Connie Cook	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
- 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)
- Bradley Fischer - NMDOT North Region Design
- Gabriel Lucero - NMDOT Traffic Engineer
- Tim Hagaman - NMEDD

**Guests**

- Sarah Arias - TOS Clerk
- Frank Maestas - Mora County
- TB Romero - San Miguel County
- Ramona Quintana - Village of Pecos
- Rumaldo Pino III - Mora County
- Richard Runyon - Dennis Engineering
- Carmella Manzari - NMFA

**I. Call to Order**

The Meeting was called to order at 10:09 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 Mora County. Chairman Cordova asked Commissioner Frank Maestas from Mora County to say a few words. Commissioner Maestas welcomed everyone to Mora County and offered assistance in any way Mora County can help. Commissioner Maestas also mentioned that they are happy to be a part of NERTPO and are happy to be more involved in NERTPO Meetings and activities.

## IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda: VC Chuck Howe – Village of Angel Fire

Second: Arnold Lopez – San Miguel County

No opposition was voiced.

Motion carried.

## V. Approval of Minutes (January 23rd, 2019- NCMEDD)

Motion to approve the minutes as presented: VC Chuck Howe – Village of Angel Fire

Second: Landon Newton – Colfax County

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 with a very heavy heart that D-4 Employee Marcus Gutierrez passed away and thanked Mr. Gutierrez for his commitment to NMDOT and D-4, advising he will be greatly missed by his co-workers, his family and those who knew him.

Mr. Trujillo announced that Mr. Mike Sandoval has been confirmed by the NM State Legislature as the NMDOT Secretary.

Mr. Trujillo also advised that up to \$60 Million may be available for projects and the goal now is to identify the top 3 projects. Also, current projects are ongoing with the priorities taking place. Mr. Trujillo gave a run down of snow plow operations during the snow storms, Mr. Trujillo sent out a special “Thank You” to the snow plow operators for their hard work and risking their lives.

There was a Question and Answer with Mr. Trujillo regarding specific questions from Board Members. Mr. Trujillo advised that he is available for any questions or guidance that the board may need.

## VII. Presentation: Local Government Road Fund (Mr. John Herrera – NMDOT District IV LGRF Coordinator)

LGRF Coordinator Mr. John Herrera gave a slideshow presentation regarding “LGRF”. Mr. Herrera gave handouts along with the slideshow presentation. Once the presentation was over Mr. Herrera had a question and answer period with members of the board and also advised that if requested he will send the presentation via e-mail. The LGRF presentation will also be put on the RTPONM.ORG Website.



**VIII. Presentation: Special Permitting** (Mr. Gabriel Lucero – NMDOT District IV)

Mr. Gabriel Lucero from NMDOT D-4 gave a slideshow presentation regarding “Special Permitting”. Mr. Lucero gave handouts along with the slideshow presentation. Once the presentation was over Mr. Lucero had a question and answer period with members of the board, Mr. Lucero also advised that he will send a copy of the presentation via e-mail if requested. The Special Permitting presentation will also be available on the RTPONM.ORG Website.

**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 and there may be an announcement soon regarding the next NCNMEDD Executive Director. Mr. Salazar reminded everyone that “Transportation Day” at the New Mexico State Legislature will be on Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019, everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Mr. Salazar also gave an update regarding the yearly Quality Assurance Review (QAR) that NCNMEDD will have with NMDOT. The QAR is currently set for middle March with Mr. Joseph Moriarty, liaison from NMDOT.

Mr. Salazar turned the floor over to NMDOT Joseph Moriarty for a couple of updates. Mr. Moriarty advised that the TAP Application scoring committee will be meeting in March and then a Notice of Award should be sent by end of March or early April. Mr. Moriarty also gave an update regarding the Long Range Regional Transportation Plan, this is to assess the needs and identifying projects. Mr. Moriarty was available to answer questions from the board.

Mr. Soule gave an update regarding the current legislative session to all members and how it directly affects the RTPO. Mr. Soule advised of the upcoming 2020 Census Training that he will be attending in Las Cruces. Mr. Soule also gave an updated regarding the National Consortium Placemakers Training which touched on topics such

as Main Street Programs. There will also be a CDBG Application Workshop coming up on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Albuquerque and Mr. Soule will be attending this workshop. Mr. Soule also advised that he is currently working with LTAP to hold future trainings for the NERTPO Membership, the possibility of topics include Grant Writing.



Mr. Tim Hagaman from New Mexico Economic Development Department also spoke about upcoming CDBG Trainings and encouraged the various Northeast Communities 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> at 1:30 PM. The meeting will be held at NCNMEDD in Santa Fe.

## **XI. New Business:**

No New Business to update.

### **Meeting Locations:**

- ❖ **March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 City of Raton**
- ❖ **April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Harding County (Roy, NM)**
- ❖ **May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 Village of Angel Fire**
- ❖ **June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Town of Springer**
- ❖ **July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 San Miguel County**
- ❖ **August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Village of Eagle Nest**

## **XII. Adjournment**

With there being no further business to discuss Chairman Cordova called for adjournment. Meeting Adjourned at approximately 11:51 A.M.