

Tune in Thur. Feb. 17, 9AM

Live streaming on
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Host Grant County Assessor Raul Turrieta with legislative session wrap-up from NMC Government Relations Brian Moore

Seven Day Countdown of Leg Session

NMC Board Support:

- HB 173 – Rural Infrastructure Crisis Response Act
- HB 199 – Notice of Recording of Liens
- HB 194/SB 207 – Liquor Tax Distribution: County Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment
- SB 144 – Acts of Intimidation Against Election Clerks and Agents
- SB 147 – Ambulance Grants for Local Public Ambulance Services

Exec. Committee Support: SB186 Requiring payments Instead of Taxes to Political Subdivisions; HB 196 LE Protection Fund a Non-reverting Fund; HB 219 Increasing Salary Caps Applicable to Elected County Officials

Oppose: SJR 7 CA: Authorization for Essential Services, Disaster Relief, & Community Well Being [NMC Tracking](#)

56% of Americans Can't Cover a \$1,000 Emergency Expense with Savings

Most Americans are still struggling to build solid savings accounts with only 44% of Americans able to cover a \$1,000 emergency expense. ~CNN Is the **TrueConnect** loan benefit program right for you? Poll your county employees to find out:

- 1) Has the covid pandemic caused you to feel more financially secure, less financially secure, or about the same?
- 2) In the last 2 years, have you experienced any financial shocks that cost you more than \$1000 – like a car repair, broken appliance, or uninsured medical expense? Yes or No.
- 3) In times of financial need, which of these credit products have you used to help make ends meet? Check all that apply.
 - a. Bank or credit union loan,
 - b. Home equity loan.
 - c. Retirement loan.
 - d. Payday, pawn shop, or car title loan.
 - e. Borrowed from friends or family.
- 4) If your County offered a voluntary small loan benefit where you could borrow up to \$3,000 and pay it off in 12 months through payroll deduction, would you consider using it?

Contact Susan Mayes, smayes@nmcounties.org, to implement in your county.

I Got Summoned for Jury Duty... Now What?

It sounds intimidating because you don't know what to expect until your

group & juror # is scheduled to appear. This is the procedure for 1st district court:

- Complete online juror forms
- On call for 2 1/2 months; check online/call every Friday after 5PM for possible jury selection the following week
- Allowed up to 10 excusals or a postponement per the judge's decision
- Meals not provided; dress recommendations and restrictions apply
- Court reimburses for jury service at \$10.50/hour; mileage reimbursed if roundtrip is over 40 miles; payments may take 6 weeks to receive
- Court does not compensate employees of public schools, local government, or the State of NM

When you are summoned to appear, the judge and the attorneys ask potential jurors questions to determine their suitability to serve on the jury, a process known as 'voir dire.' The prosecution has the burden of proof; the defendant is innocent until proven guilty. The effect of your decision will be felt by the parties for the rest of their lives, and this is why you must take the process seriously.

A DAY WITHOUT NEW MEXICO COUNTIES IS A DAY WITHOUT HELP FOR THE UNHOUSED



#33StrongNMCounties Video #2 link to share: https://fb.watch/aTUosXQg5_/

Apply Now! 2022-2023 Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant Program for Rural Communities

- CWPP updates up to \$20,000/project
- Education & outreach activities up to \$15,000/project
- Hazardous fuels reductions projects up to \$75,000/project

March 7, 2022 deadline to BLM for required signature

March 31, 2022, 5PM deadline to NMC Aelysea Webb, a webb@nmcounties.org

Control/Click on photo for complete program packet and applications

NEW MEXICO PRESCRIBED FIRE COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 25, 2022

10am - 2pm

SILVER CITY, NEW MEXICO

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

AARON LARKIN: AARON@EMBERALLIANCE.ORG

OR

COLLIN HAFFEY: VICE.CHAIR@NMRXFIRECOUNCIL.ORG

• KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JOSH HALL "WHERE THERE'S FIRE, THERE'S SMOKE (MANAGEMENT)"

• JOIN US THIS SPRING AS WE SHARE WHAT'S NEW IN PRESCRIBED FIRE!

• SWERI & PRESCRIBED FIRE UPDATE

• COLLABORATIVE BURNING PANEL & DISCUSSION

• NM PRESCRIBED FIRE ACT

• PRESCRIBED FIRE COUNCIL UPDATES



NACo: Group of Senators Release Draft Election Reform Legislation

The Electoral Count Modernization Act would specifically reform the Electoral Count Act of 1887 and clarify Congress' role in tallying electoral votes and certifying presidential elections. [Read more](#)

Link to NMC Meetings [Annual Calendar](#)

All trainings open to county elected officials & employees

Thu Feb 10 Online Harassment Prevention Training 2PM -3:30PM Register: <https://www.anymeeting.com/AccountManager/RegEv.aspx?PIID=E155D784884E3A>

Sat Feb 12-16 NACo Legislative Conference D.C. in-person/virtual

Wed Feb 16-17 Verbal De-escalation Training 8AM-5PM Register: ccom@nmcounties.org

Thu Feb 17 Legislative Session ends Noon

Mon Feb 21-25 First Line Supervisor 40-Hour Training 8AM-4:30PM Register: ccom@nmcounties.org

Tue & Thu Mar NM EDGE Classes Live Online, Mar. 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, 31

Wed Mar 23 Legislative Regional meeting 10AM

Doña Ana County

Thu Mar 24 Legislative Regional meeting 10AM

Chaves County

Tue Mar 29 Legislative Regional meeting 10AM

San Miguel County

Wed Mar 30 Legislative Regional meeting 10AM

Bernalillo County

Thu Mar 31 Legislative Regional meeting 10AM

San Juan County

Wed Apr 6 NMC Executive Committee Budget meeting

10AM Santa Fe County

Wed Apr 20 Advisory Council meeting 11AM Bernalillo County

Fri May 6 NMC Board of Directors meeting 8:30AM San Miguel county

Wed May 11 NMCIA Board of Directors meeting 8:30AM TBD

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NM EDGE wants your INPUT! Request your class for March Honing Your NM EDGE

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