## Report to New Mexico Soil and Water Conservation Districts

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## December 2021

Nov to Dec (Refer to Item	Adopt Open Meetings Act Resolution to cover upcoming
# 4)	calendar year (cc: NMDA)
December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Agreed Upon Procedure Report (AUP) Report or Certification
	forms due to the New Mexico State Auditor Office.
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December	Review mileage and per diem policy. (See Item #1)
January	Conduct district board mid-year budget review
January	Ensure the proper bonding policy is in place
January 31st	2 <sup>nd</sup> quarterly budget report is due to DFA-LGD (cc: SWCC
	region commissioner and NMDA)
January 31st	WQ&C grant 2nd quarter report due to SWCC

COVID containment efforts in New Mexico have included restrictions on the size of social gatherings. As a result, it is possible that an event scheduled for the near future has been – or will be – postponed, canceled, or hosted online instead of in person. Because of the fluid nature of things in response to COVID, NMDA strongly recommends that you check with the host organization for the events contained in this report that the events have not changed in terms of their date or the manner in which they are to be hosted. We have included event websites to make this a simple step for you.

# 1. NMDA seeks Agricultural Workforce Development (AWD) applications from ag businesses wanting to hire interns

The New Mexico Department of Agriculture's (NMDA) Agricultural Workforce Development Program (AWD) offers incentives to the state's agricultural businesses to hire interns. The AWD Program is intended to provide hands-on educational opportunities for students aspiring to careers in agriculture, as well as young or beginning farmers and ranchers.

The AWD Program is the result of the <u>Agricultural Workforce Development Program Act</u>, which was signed into law in 2019.

An "agricultural business" means a business of a food or agricultural nature, including agricultural production or processing. Primary areas of focus for these internships include: agribusiness, agronomy, crop production, farm and ranch management, food safety, fruit and vegetable production, maintenance and repair of machinery, equipment, marketing and sales, and natural resources and conservation.

NMDA will reimburse qualified agricultural businesses up to 50 percent of the actual cost of hiring a qualified intern, <u>not to exceed \$7,500 per internship</u>. An agricultural business may request funding to hire as many as three interns per year. Each intern must be provided with at least one hundred thirty (130) hours of work experience, not exceeding one (1) year in duration per intern.

For internships that will occur in the remainder of FY 2021 (between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022), the period for agricultural businesses to apply is from July 29, 2021 to December 7, 2021 **or until funds are fully awarded**. NMDA will award funding to agricultural businesses based on **a**) their compliance with program requirements; **b**) funding availability; **c**) first-come, first-serve basis.

# To avoid submitting an incomplete application, agricultural business operators should follow these steps:

- 1. Find an intern(s) interested in the internship opportunity with your agriculture business. It is preferred that interns are New Mexico residents, but it is not a requirement.
- 2. Complete and submit the application form located at: <a href="https://www.nmda.nmsu.edu/agricultural-workforce-development-program">https://www.nmda.nmsu.edu/agricultural-workforce-development-program</a> Please note:
  - NMDA will **not** match agricultural businesses with potential interns.
  - Agricultural businesses must identify an intern prior to applying for funding.
  - Interns must be 18 years or older by the start of the internship.
  - Immediate family members of the agriculture business are <u>not</u> eligible to participate.
  - Participating agricultural businesses must pay minimum wage (or higher) to each intern, as well as carry worker's compensation insurance for each intern.

#### 2. Current Pandemic Restrictions in Effect until at least December 10

Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham announced that the state of New Mexico has re-implemented a statewide requirement that facemasks be worn in all public indoor spaces, with only limited exceptions, and regardless of vaccination status, to stem the state's rising tide of COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations.

### FACEMASKS INDOORS

Under a public health order issued by Acting Health Secretary David R. Scrase, M.D., the reimplemented mask requirement applies to all individuals aged 2 and older in all indoor public settings – except when eating or drinking.

The indoor mask requirement will remain in effect until at least December 10. The governor, acting upon the counsel and analysis of the state Medical Advisory Team and state health officials, may decide to extend or lift the requirement as necessary.

Please see the attached current Public Health Order for more information and guidance.

# 3. Dec. 6: Deadline to submit ballot for Farm Service Agency county committee elections

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) mailed ballots last month for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) county and urban county committee elections to all eligible agricultural producers and private landowners across the country. Elections are occurring in certain Local Administrative Areas (LAA) for these committee members who make important decisions about how federal farm programs are administered locally. To be counted, producers and landowners must return ballots to their local FSA county office or be postmarked by Dec. 6, 2021.

# 4. NMDA Operations Training

NMDA will be providing a SWCD Operations Training January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The training will be held on zoom, and will begin at 8:30 a.m. This training is an entire day of presentations from state agencies SWCDs are required to report to regularly. There will be time slots allotted for questions for each agency.

Presentations will be given by the following:

- · DFA
- Secretary of State
- NM Attorney General's Office
- Office of the State Auditor

There will also be time allotted for NMDA to review the Healthy Soil Program requirements with SWCDs.

An agenda will be sent out to all SWCDs the beginning of December.

Please RSVP to kmechenbier@nmda.nmsu.edu by <u>December 27<sup>th</sup></u> if you wish to attend. There is no fee to attend. Please contact your specialist with any questions. We hope to see you there!!

## 5. Reminder: Point System Worksheet is back to Pre-Pandemic

This is a friendly reminder that the Soil and Water Conservation Commission voted to revert back to all items on the point system worksheet. The past couple of years have only required items 1-5, during the pandemic, when many places were closed. With most places having reopened, items 1-9 must be completed for full funding. Otherwise, funding will be based upon how active the district is. The worksheet requires 100 points to be accrued for full funding.

Please contact your SWCD specialist if you have any questions.

## 6. Open Meetings Act Resolution Reminder

With the pandemic continuing nationwide, districts are being advised to include both the virtual/conference call meeting information and the physical meeting information. If there are questions pertaining to the Open Meetings Act Resolution, please contact your Specialist.

When preparing to publish the Open Meetings Resolution, remember that the state sets a limit on advertising rates that can be charged to governmental entities for required advertisements. Title 1, Chapter 4, part 4 of the New Mexico Administrative Code states: "...the newspaper publisher is entitled to receive no more than:

- A. \$.63 cents (\$.63) for each column line of eight point or smaller type for the first insertion
- B. \$.49 cents (\$.49) per line of each subsequent insertion
- C. All emblems, display headings, rule work and necessary blank spaces shall be calculated as solid type and shall be counted and paid for as such."

The New Mexico Attorney General (NMAG) continues to have Open Meetings Act (OMA) guidance related to conduct of public meetings during the period of social distancing, which can be found at: <a href="https://www.nmag.gov/">https://www.nmag.gov/</a>.

# 7. NM Healthy Soil Working Group offering scholarships

NM Healthy Soil Working Group is offering scholarships for online or in-person courses to further your understanding of soil health and regenerative agriculture. Applications are accepted and awarded on a rolling basis until funds are depleted. More information is available at <a href="https://www.nmhealthysoil.org/2021/11/15/were-offering-scholarships/">https://www.nmhealthysoil.org/2021/11/15/were-offering-scholarships/</a>.

# 8. EMNRD gives notice of proposed rulemaking to establish a Prescribed Burn Manager Certification Program

**Purpose of Rule.** EMNRD proposes the rule to create the prescribed burn manager certification program for private landowners and private landowners' agents, contractors, or legally authorized designees who conduct prescribed burns as directed by NMSA 1978, Section 68-5-7. The rule establishes two types of prescribed burn manager certifications: certified pile burn managers and certified broadcast burn managers, and the requirements for certification of pile burn managers and broadcast burn managers. It also establishes the

training requirements for both types of certifications, the application process, the requirements for renewal, and a committee to evaluate applications.

The full text of the proposed rule is available from Wendy Mason at <a href="wendy.mason@state.nm.us">wendy.mason@state.nm.us</a> or (505) 690-8210 or can be viewed on the EMNRD, Forestry Division's website at <a href="https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/sfd/public-meetings/">https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/sfd/public-meetings/</a> or at the Forestry Division's offices in Santa Fe, Chama, Cimarron, Las Vegas, Rio Rancho, Socorro, Capitan, and Silver City.

**Public Hearing and Comment.** EMNRD will hold a virtual public hearing on the proposed rule at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 14, 2021. The public may join the hearing virtually through WebEx using one of the following:

Join from the meeting link:

 $\underline{https://nmemnrd.webex.com/nmemnrd/onstage/g.php?MTID=e90f2adab0e8e3b104283196d0}\\ \underline{e5c5f8b}$ 

### 9. Chief Procurement Officer Recertification Reminder

**Statement from State Purchasing - March 19, 2020:** "Due to COVID-19 rescheduling of NM EDGE CPO classes, re-certifying CPO students will be given a 90-day waiver from the State Purchasing Agent upon request if their certification expires before completion of the next available class."

**TO RECERTIFY:** Recertification is required (per statute 13/1-95.2D) every 2 years (based on the month of initial certification).

### Two Options for completing initial recertification classes:

- NMPPA Conference Recertification Track (included in the cost of conference attendance) when available.
- NM EDGE Recertification Classes (2 classes) offered quarterly (February, April, July and October) via Zoom Live On-Line platform.

For more information, please visit: <a href="https://nmedge.nmsu.edu/nm-public-purchasing-cla.html">https://nmedge.nmsu.edu/nm-public-purchasing-cla.html</a>

# 10. NRCS Announces Conservation Funding Opportunities for 2022

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is announcing fiscal year 2022 assistance opportunities for agricultural producers and private landowners for key programs, such as the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP), Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP), and Agricultural Management Assistance (AMA) program. While USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) accepts applications for these programs year-round, producers and landowners should apply by state-specific, ranking dates to be considered for this year's funding.

More information is available at the link below.

 $\underline{\text{https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/newsroom/releases/?cid=NRCSEP} RD1838440$ 

#### 11. NM Wetlands Roundtable this Fall

The Draft Agendas are attached. For some of the presentations we have the topic but not the exact title as of yet. However, almost all speaker slots are filled. The final date is **December 7, 2021** for our Northern Wetlands Roundtable from 9 am to 4 pm.

We will be offering a practice for using WEBEX on December 6 so if you would like to practice using WEBEX as a presenter or an attendee, please let us know and we will schedule a time on that day. On the Roundtable days, you will be able to get on line starting at 8:15 am so that not everyone is trying to get on at the same time and you can use the CHAT to connect to each other as well.

Please remember to sign in your name, affiliation and email in the CHAT.

We will be sending out the WEBEX link and the Final Agendas when it gets closer to the meeting time and a separate WEBEX link for the practice sessions.

If you have **announcements** for the Intro Presentation, please send those to us as soon as you can. I will also be reading these announcements at the beginning of the Roundtable from 9 to 9:15 and we will let the Intro Presentation with announcements scroll during the lunch break.

We look forward to your participation and hearing from you again at the New Mexico Wetlands Roundtables.

To listen to the webinar, contact Maryann McGraw with the NM Environment Department, at 505-490-3135 or <a href="maryann.mcgraw@state.nm.us">mcgraw@state.nm.us</a>.

# 12. NRCS Program Ranking Dates

While USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service accepts program applications year-round, many states have upcoming ranking dates for the current funding cycle. Apply before the ranking date to be considered for EQIP, CSP and AMA funding in this cycle or your application will automatically be deferred to the next funding cycle. Find the ranking dates in your state at <a href="https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/staterankingdates">https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/staterankingdates</a>.

For New Mexico, dates are as follows:

- ACEP, Jan. 7, 2022
- CSP, Jan. 7, 2022
- CSP, GCI, Oct. 15, 2021
- EQIP, Jan. 7, 2022

## 13. USDA Introduces New Insurance Policy for Farmers who Sell Locally

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is rolling out a new insurance option specifically for agricultural producers with small farms who sell locally. The new Micro Farm policy simplifies record keeping and covers post-production costs like washing and value-added products.

USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) created this new policy based on research directed by the 2018 Farm Bill, and it includes feedback from producers who grow for their local communities. The policy will be available beginning with the 2022 crop year.

The new policy is offered through Whole-Farm Revenue Protection (WFRP) and it has distinct provisions that can provide more access to the program, including:

- No expense or individual commodity reporting needed, simplifying the recordkeeping requirements for producers
- Revenue from post-production costs, such as washing and packaging commodities and value-added products, are considered allowable revenue

The Micro Farm policy is available to producers who have a farm operation that earns an average allowable revenue of \$100,000 or less, or for carryover insureds, an average allowable revenue of \$125,000 or less. RMA's research showed that 85% of producers who sell locally reported they made less than \$75,000 in gross sales. See the full report.

The Micro Farm policy builds on other RMA efforts to better serve specialty and organic crop growers. This includes WFRP, which provides coverage for producers with larger operations that may not be eligible for Micro Farm. RMA recently made <u>improvements to WFRP</u> as part of a broader set of <u>new policies and expanded policies</u> to assist specialty crop and organic producers.

The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation approved the Micro Farm policy in late September, and additional details will be provided later this fall.

Crop insurance is sold and delivered solely through private crop insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA Service Centers and online at the <a href="RMA Agent Locator">RMA Agent Locator</a>. Learn more about crop insurance and the modern farm safety net at <a href="rma.usda.gov">rma.usda.gov</a>.

# 14. USDA Expands Assistance to Cover Feed Transportation Costs for Drought-Impacted Ranchers

In response to the severe drought conditions in the West and Great Plains, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced today its plans to help cover the cost of transporting feed for livestock that rely on grazing. USDA is updating the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees and Farm-raised Fish Program (ELAP) to immediately cover feed transportation costs for drought impacted ranchers. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) will provide more details and tools to help ranchers get ready to apply at their local USDA Service Center later this month at fsa.usda.gov/elap.

For more information, please visit: <a href="https://www.fsa.usda.gov/news-room/news-releases/2021/usda-expands-assistance-to-cover-feed-transportation-costs-for-drought-impacted-ranchers?utm\_campaign=elap&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=govdelivery</a>

# 15. USDA Offers Online Tool for Drought-Stricken Ranchers to Estimate Compensation for Feed Transportation Costs

An online tool is now available to help ranchers document and estimate payments to cover feed transportation costs caused by drought, which are now covered by the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-raised Fish Program (ELAP). The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) updated the program this year to include feed transportation costs as well as lowered the threshold for when assistance for water hauling expenses is available. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) will begin taking applications this fall.

### 16. WSARE Conference

The WSARE Conference will be held Dec. 9, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., via Zoom. There will be six informative presentations on various sustainable agricultural topics such as: irrigation efficiency in pecans; healthy soils; organic production and beneficial insects; how to start a vegetable garden; and how farms can participate within their communities.

For more information, visit: https://rsvp.nmsu.edu/rsvp/sustainable2021

#### 17. Joint Stockmen's Convention

The Joint Stockmen's Convention will be held Dec. 14-16 at the Hotel Albuquerque. *More details forthcoming!* For more information, contact Craig Gifford at 575-646-6482.

# 18. NM Water Dialogue's 2022 Annual Meeting

The meeting will be held virtually from January 12-13. The title of the meeting is "An Unprecedented Water Crisis: A Time to Act." More information coming soon. For the most up-to-date information, visit: nmwaterdialogue.org.

#### 19. NM Cotton Grower's Conference

The NM Cotton Growers Conference will be held Jan. 26, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Ruidoso Convention Center. *More details forthcoming!* For more information, contact John Idowu at 575-646-2571.

# 20. Senate Bill 345 – SWCD Supervisor Stipends Reduced

SB 345 cuts the stipend that SWCD supervisors receive down from \$95 per meeting to \$45 per meeting. Here is the language:

(1) forty-five dollars (\$45.00) if the officer physically attends the board or committee meeting for less than four hours or the officer attends a virtual meeting of any duration during a single calendar day; or

(2)ninety-five dollars (\$95.00) if the officer physically attends the board or committee meeting for four hours or more during a single calendar day.

Since almost all of the SWCD meetings are less than 4 hours, supervisors can only get \$45 per meeting.

## 21. NACD Annual Meeting

The 2022 Annual Meeting is scheduled to be held next Feb. 12-16, 2022 in Orlando, Florida. Please visit their website for the most up-to-date information.

https://www.nacdnet.org/news-and-events/annual-meeting/

### 22. Records Management and Recording of Meetings during the Pandemic

Records Management Division provided some recommendations and guidance as to how long a recording of a district meeting needs to be held on file. The response by the Records Management Division was given:

Our recommendation for the recordings of the meetings, once the audio has been transcribed, the recording becomes non-records and can be destroyed at any time. The transcribed document shall become the official record and retained permanently.

For more information, or if you have questions, please contact Records Management Division at (505) 476-7921, or email Tanya Vigil at Tanya. Vigil@state.nm.us.

# 23. Electronic Meeting Options for SWCDs

Due to various state directives related to the COVID-19 situation, SWCDs that need to address time sensitive or emergency issues must meet electronically (teleconference and/or video conference). Your NMDA Soil and Water Conservation Specialist can help you get these platforms up and running for your SWCD. Here are a few options that have been the most successful:

- **Zoom** This is a computer-based platform that allows participants the option to either connect through the internet with video and voice, or call in like a conference call using only voice.
  - While there is a free version, it does have a time limit of 40 minutes. This has caused problems for some SWCDs because the SWCD meetings typically last longer than 40 minutes.
  - o The Pro Package is \$14.99 per month, and includes unlimited time, and up to 100 participants per meeting. It also includes cloud storage, the option to record the

meeting, screen sharing, and other features. This should be sufficient for most SWCDs.

- O This is the link to the Zoom website https://nmsu.zoom.us/pricing
- **Webex** is a similar video/phone conferencing option to Zoom, offering both free and prepaid plans.
  - Webex's free plan, allows up to 100 participants in each meeting, there is not a time limit on meetings, and it also does not limit the number of meetings one can hold.
  - Webex allows both video conferencing and phone calls into the conference number. Which assists those who either do not have internet or internet that does not support video conferencing.
  - Currently Webex is offering a promotion that allows a free first month when you sign up for a paid monthly plan, and four months free when an annual plan is purchased. Use code wecare2020 to access this offer.

Other options available with the paid Webex plans include cloud storage, the option to record the meeting, screen sharing, and other features. Paid plans start at \$13.50 per month. To view what each plan includes, prices and frequently asked questions, visit: https://www.webex.com/pricing/index.html

## 24. Guidance from NMDA to SWCDs during COVID-19 Pandemic

The memo is informational and provides additional guidance to the New Mexico Soil and Water Conservation Commission (SWCC) and the New Mexico Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs) during the time of the response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The most up to date orders issued by the Governor through the New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH) can be found here:

https://cv.nmhealth.org/public-health-orders-and-executive-orders/

In addition to the information on the NMDOH website, the New Mexico Attorney General (NMAG) has also issued Open Meetings Act (OMA) guidance related to conduct of public meetings during the period of social distancing, which can be found at: <a href="https://www.nmag.gov/">https://www.nmag.gov/</a>

#### In part the NMAG states:

The Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Division (OGD) advises all public entities subject to OMA to first and foremost follow the guidelines of the Department of Health and other health officials to ensure the health and safety of both members of the entity and the public. Accordingly, the most prudent thing to do to ensure compliance with OMA would be to postpone /cancel a public meeting. If, however, a board or commission has a time-sensitive matter to attend to, it may proceed with a virtual meeting, provided it's notice of meeting contains detailed information (password, phone number, etc.) about how members of the public may attend and listen via telephone, live streaming or other similar technologies.

More specifically, if a public body decides to proceed with a virtual meeting, it should:

- At the start of the meeting, the chair should announce the names of those members of the public body participating remotely.
- All members of the public body participating remotely must identify themselves whenever they speak and must be clearly audible to the other members of the public body and to the public.
- Members of the public should be afforded remote access, via live stream or other similar technology, if possible, or call-in number for listening by phone.
- Chair should suspend discussion if the audio or video is interrupted.
- All votes of the public body must be by roll call vote.

NMDA has provided all of the above information to SWCDs through its monthly report to SWCDs as well as through individual contact to each district. However, since this is a rapidly evolving situation, it bears repeating.

You are advised to conduct public meetings in a manner consistent with the public health orders and in compliance with the NMAG guidelines. This means that the meeting must be conducted in a manner that the public has access to participate through a conference call line allowing many interested publics to attend at once. All members of the public must be able to attend and must be allowed to participate in the meeting no matter which technology is chosen. It is advised that no one gather for the meeting in observance of the order to stay socially distant. If meetings are conducted via teleconference or web-based conference service, there would be no need to gather.

In addition to compliance with the social distancing order, it is also important to respect that individuals with underlying health conditions (potentially members of the SWCD board, employees, or the public) may not want to gather whether the gathering complies with the not more than five individuals in a room even with the appropriate six feet of distance. Therefore, NMDA strongly urges you to conduct any meetings in strict accordance with the orders and guidelines issued by the State of New Mexico. The only current weapon the country has to curb the COVID-19 pandemic and assist the state with the response so that the medical community does not fall into a disaster is to observe the stay at home/social distancing order. Please consider this information and the guidelines as you decide to hold a public meeting. If you have questions, please contact NMDA staff at 575-646-2642 or call your specific SWCD specialist.

# 25. Rolling Quorums

NMDA would like to remind all SWCD and Watershed District boards to be careful when emailing and conference calls during this time of limited interaction. A rolling quorum needs to be avoided. The definition and examples are stated below, directly from the Attorney General's Open Meetings Act Compliance Guide.

Rolling Quorums (Open Meetings Act Compliance Guide 2015 page 7): The Act's requirement for open, public meetings applies to any discussion of public business among a quorum of a public body's members. Usually, a quorum of a public body's members meets together to discuss public business or take action. However, a quorum may

exist for purposes of the Act even when the members are not physically present together at the same time and place. For example, if three members of a five-member board discuss public business in a series of telephone or email conversations, the discussion is a meeting of a quorum. This is sometimes referred to as a "rolling" or "walking" quorum. The use of a rolling quorum to discuss public business or take action violates the Act because it constitutes a meeting of a quorum of the public body's members outside of a properly noticed, public meeting.

### 26. Assistance Programs posted on NMDA's Website

NMDA has compiled a list of all state and federal assistance programs available during the COVID 19 Pandemic. Please look over these assistance programs and feel free to pass along any of this information that might be beneficial to individuals or groups within your SWCD.

Please visit: http://www.nmda.nmsu.edu/assistance-programs/

### 27. PPE for SWCDs

SWCD's can request personal protective equipment (PPE) from the state EOC warehouse through a county emergency manager. SWCDs would need to fill out a 213-resource request form, the local emergency managers should be able to help with that.

Alternatively, PPE can be purchased through various websites, see below websites. NMDA recommends checking some of these websites frequently as the PPE comes in and out of stock.

https://health.suttersmill.com/

 $\underline{https://www.northerntool.com/shop/tools/NTESearch?storeId=6970\&ipp=48\&Ntt=face+mask}$ 

https://www.northernsafety.com/Product/353566/NSI-3Ply-Disposable-Mask

https://midsci.com/products/210/Apparel/

# 28. Meeting and Comments on National Forests in NM

All five of the National Forests in New Mexico are in various stages of completing their Forest Plan Revisions. For updates, please visit the National Forests' websites below for meeting times and comment opportunities.

- Cibola NF: <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/cibola/landmanagement/planning/?cid=FSBDEV3\_065">http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/cibola/landmanagement/planning/?cid=FSBDEV3\_065</a>
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- Santa Fe NF: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/santafe/landmanagement/planning/?cid=stelprd379144 2
- Gila NF: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/gila/home/?cid=STELPRD3828671
- Lincoln NF: <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/lincoln/home/?cid=stelprd3814307">http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/lincoln/home/?cid=stelprd3814307</a>

NMDA encourages all SWCDs to stay active in the Forest Plan Revision process for all five national forests. We also encourage SWCDs to provide information as requested to make sure that SWCD information is included in the process.