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TENTATIVE AGENDA
Legislative Finance Committee
Mesquero/Tucumcari, New Mexico
May 13 - 15, 2025

Tuesday, May 13

Meeting Location
Mosquero Municipal Schools
43 McNeil Ave.
Mosquero, NM 87733

- 9:30 -- Welcoming Remarks -- Johnna Bruhn, Superintendent, Mosquero Municipal Schools; Michael Lewis or Designee, Harding County Commission; Victoria Villarreal, Manager, Harding County
- 9:45 -- Education in Microdistricts -- Johnna Bruhn, Superintendent, Mosquero Municipal Schools; Edward Fluhman, Superintendent, Roy Municipal Schools
- Educational Outcomes
 - Education Programming and Impact of Scale and Transportation
 - Finances
 - Capital Outlay
- 11:30 -- Tour of Mosquero Municipal Schools
- 12:00 -- Lunch
- 1:00 -- Federal Budget Reconciliation -- Charles Sallee, Director, Legislative Finance Committee
- Medicaid Finance Primer
- 2:30 -- Soil and Water Conservation Projects in Rural New Mexico and 2025 Wildfires Status and Outlook -- Debbie Hughes, Executive Director, New Mexico Association of Conservation Districts; Lindsey Quam, Deputy Director, Forestry Division, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
- 4:00 -- Adjourn

Wednesday, May 14

Meeting Location
T-4 Ranch
5859 Quay Rd. Bk
Tucumcari, NM 88401

- 9:00 -- Ranching in New Mexico: Tour of T-4 Ranch Headquarters -- Phil Bidegain, Owner, T-4 Ranch
- New Mexico Department of Agriculture - Status of Beef Cattle Ranching in New Mexico
 - Update From the Livestock Board
- 11:00 -- Lunch
- 12:00 -- Depart for Mesalands

Meeting Location
Mesalands Community College
911 S. 10th St.
Tucumcari, NM 88401

- 1:00 -- Capital Outlay Spotlight: Selected Higher Education Projects -- Rhea Serna, Analyst, Legislative Finance Committee
- 2:15 -- Status of Eastern New Mexico Water Utility Authority Ute Lake Pipeline Project and Other Water Trust Board Projects -- Michael Morris, Chairman, Eastern New Mexico Water Utility Authority; Marquita Russell, Chief Executive Officer, New Mexico Finance Authority

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3:30 -- Update from Mesalands Community College and Tour -- Allen Moss, President, Mesalands Community College

5:00 -- Adjourn

Thursday, May 15

8:00 -- Capital Outlay Quarterly Report -- Cally Carswell, Analyst, Legislative Finance Committee

9:30 -- Research to Practice in Rural New Mexico: Modern Role for Agriculture Research and Cooperative Extension -- Valerio Ferme, President, New Mexico State University; Jon Boren, Director, Cooperative Extension Service; Jay Lillywhite, Director, Agricultural Experiment Station

- Roles and Recent Activities
- Budget
- Implementation Status of LFC Program Evaluation Recommendations

11:00 -- Miscellaneous Committee Business

Action Items

- 1) Approval of LFC April Meeting Minutes
- 2) Approval of LFC Contracts

Review of Monthly Financial Reports & Information Items

- 3) LFC FY25 Budget Status
- 4) LFC FY26 Operating Budget
- 5) BAR Report
- 6) Full Time Employees by Agency
- 7) Program Evaluation: Health Care Affordability Fund
- 8) Correspondence
- 9) LFC Program Evaluation Status Report
- 10) Cash Balance Report

11:30 -- Adjourn

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