

News Brief

September 09, 2021

NMC 84th Annual Conference—CANCELLED NMC Board of Directors held an emergency meeting Saturday, September 4th and determined that it is in the best interest of the organization and the safety of our members to cancel the upcoming NMC 84th Annual Conference. This was an incredibly difficult decision, but based on increased concerns from the growing COVID-19 cases and deaths throughout the state, our leadership feels strongly that this is the best course of action to keep everyone safe. NMC will issue full refunds for any registration payments received. We are working with affiliate chairs and presenters to determine if they would still like to meet virtually. All NM EDGE courses have been switched to live on-line programming, and may include additional courses. Lea County and NMC staff put in a great deal of work to plan and prepare for this event, but recognized that the situation has changed significantly since the Board of Directors approved a hybrid approach in June. NMC Past President and Commissioner Rebecca Long and the Lea County planning committee were incredibly gracious about this last minute change and supported the decision to cancel the conference. We are grateful for their efforts and look forward to returning to Lea County at a later date.

NM DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION New Mexico Technical TECHNOLOGY Assistance

FEDERAL FUNDING AND STAKEHOLDER WEBINARS

Technical Program

G-Day New Mexico Communities

NM DoIT has partnered with CTC Technology & Energy (CTC) to execute an Economic Development Administration grant to provide technical assistance for entities seeking to expand broadband infrastructure and services in response to the critical need for internet access. Please register with the links:

- SESSION ONE Wed. Sept. 15 Federal Broadband Funding Opportunities Webinar 11AM-12:30PM Highlights of current federal funding opportunities for broadband
- SESSION TWO Thurs. Sept. 16 <u>Technical</u> <u>Assistance Program Webinar for Stakeholders</u> 2PM-3PM Share information on new legislation and technical support needs

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- The California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018, effective January 1, 2020, requires sites to notify you what personal information they're collecting about you and what they might do with it
- Website cookies are small text files that store on your computer to identify you
- Some cookies are used to make a site's features work; others measure how popular a site's offerings are or help the site/advertisers make money
- "First-party" cookies support the site's features and functions; "Third-party" cookies collect data on behalf of another site
- Last year, approximately only 1% to 5% of web users were telling sites not to sell their data
- Even if you don't agree with the cookie pop-up, closing it is considered consent
- Apple's Safari and Mozilla's Firefox block tracking cookies by default, and Microsoft's Edge browser is automatically set to block some of them; Google's Chrome browser will stop supporting third-party cookies by 2023

Radio LIVE from the State Fair Tune in Thursday, September 16 from 8:00 AM



-9:00 AM to hear radio host Grant County Assessor Raul Turrieta live from Gathering of Counties. Stream at GMCR.org.

Heads up, counties. If you have a booth, you may be on the radio, LIVE!

Gathering of Counties Booth Registration Link https://statefair.exponm.com/p/things-to-do/ mainstreet/application-sept-16



NM Outdoor Economic Conference

Scholarships available for **COMPLIMENTARY REGISTRATION AND LODGING** for the nights of Sept. 29 and 30. Limited to 2/county. Take advantage of this incredible offer now! **Sept. 29** -Oct. 1 in Farmington, will feature panel discussions with top national experts, the Wild and Scenic Film Festival, an outdoor expo, evening receptions, and more! Contact russhbs@yahoo.com or call 505.640.8283.



Hurry, It's Not Too Late!

With the cancellation of the NMC Conference, all classes are now being presented live and online



NM EDGE Class Roadmap

REMEMBERING 9.11.01

Sept. 11 anniversary highlights importance of county veteran suicide prevention efforts. Read more

Wed Sep 15 SLLC Supreme Court Preview 11AM-12:15PM

For interim legislative committee hearings: https://www.nmlegis.gov/Calendar/

Link to NMC Meetings Annual Calendar Link to NMC Loss Prevention Trainings RSVP All trainings open to county elected officials & employees

Wed Sep 15–16 Postponed: OSHA 10 Hr Outreach 8AM–4PM

De Baca County

Gathering of Counties, NM State Fair—Booth Thu Sep 16 setup 6AM-8:30AM; ends 3PM, vaccination

proof required & masks

Tue, Thu in Sep NM EDGE classes 9/14, 9/16, 9/23, 9/28, 9/30 Live online; in-person 9/20-9/21

NMC 84th Annual Conference, Lea County Tue Sep 21-23

(Hobbs) hybrid in-person and virtual Legislative Initiatives Review 10AM-Noon

Wed Sep 29 Thu Oct 7-8 NMC Board of Directors legislative meeting

2PM & Board meeting 8:30AM Bernalillo

County, Albuquerque

Mon Oct 25-26 Virtual Infrastructure Finance Conference **Thu Oct 28–29** Virtual Wildland Urban Fire Summit (WUFS) Thu Nov 4-5 NMCIA Retreat and Board meeting location

NMC Executive Committee meeting 2PM Nov

NMC Office Date **TBD**

NMC /NMML Joint Legislative meeting 9AM Nov

Santa Fe County Date TBD

Advisory Council meeting 11 AM TBD Tue Nov 30 NMCIA Board meeting 8:30 AM NMC Santa Wed Dec 8

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