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Food & Agriculture
POLICY COUNCIL

NM Food & Agriculture Policy Council
"in person" meeting at the **NM State Capitol** (Roundhouse)
Tuesday, November 17th, 2026, 9:30am, room 315
PLEASE ARRIVE by 9:30am to sign in and settle in!

TENTATIVE AGENDA

The purpose of our meeting is to provide an overview of things to consider and anticipate as we come into New Mexico's 2027 legislative session with a new Governor and additional state resources. This will be an opportunity to learn about the NM legislative process in "real time."

Brief overview of agenda *(may be adjusted due to presenters' schedules)*:

- 9:45am: Welcome and introduction of the NM Food & Agriculture Policy Council (NMFAPC)
Lawrence Gallegos, Chair, Johannes Lencer, Vice Chair, Helga Garcia-Garcia, Past Chair, Eugene Pickett, Governance Committee

- 9:55am: Brief overview of the legislative process and what's on the horizon for 2027
Pam Roy, Facilitator and Introductions

- 10:05am: NM Food & Agriculture Policy Council current priorities for 2027 and the potentials
Lawrence Gallegos, Chair, Johannes Lencer, Vice Chair, Helga Garcia-Garcia, Past Chair, Eugene Pickett, Governance Committee

- 10:15am:

Legislative Finance Committee Members will join us as they can to share their priorities and perspectives. *They will join us when they can - we'll adjust our agenda accordingly*

- Representative Tara Lujan *(District 48, D-Santa Fe)* Sponsor
- Representative Nathan Small, Chair, Legislative Finance Committee *(District 36, D-Doña Ana)*
- Representative Rebecca Dow *(District 38, R-Dona Ana, Sierra & Socorro)*
- *Senator Pat Woods (District 7, R-Curry, Harding Quay & Union)*
- Representative Jack Chatfield *(District 67, R-Colfax, Curry, Harding, Quay, San Miguel & Union)*

- 11:00am:
    - Office of the Governor Legislative Priorities
      Kendal Chavez, Deputy Secretary, Early Childhood Education & Care Department and Office of the Governor
    - Q & A and additional 2027 legislative priorities from attendees *(time permitting)*

- 11:15am:
    - New Mexico Food Charter 2026 Report Card – Brief Overview
      Cathy Day, Executive Director, Farm to Table

- 11:25am:
    - 2027 Legislative session and Food & Farms Day at the Capitol *(February 4th)*

    - Upcoming Opportunities to participate in collective advocacy!

Two options for participants:

- 11:35am, room 322: Sit in on a hearing of the Legislative Finance Committee to hear a presentation and discussions, Agenda: ALFCageNov16.26.pdf *(optional - leave when you want)*

- 11:35 - 12:30pm: “Capitol Walk Through" to learn how the process works and about the people who do the work *(optional)*

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