



**STATE-TRIBAL COLLABORATION ACT
2016 AGENCY REPORT
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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) continues to maintain a proactive government to government working relationship with state tribal entities, addressing the tribes' specific needs and concerns related to transportation, in coordination with the NMDOT's District Offices and various Divisions. In addition, the NMDOT established the Tribal Coordinating Committee (TCC) last year as part of the Department's work on updating its long range transportation plan, the 2040 Long Range Multimodal Transportation Plan (2040 Plan). The NMDOT intends to maintain the presence of the TCC, and other statewide committees convened to develop the 2040 Plan, to ensure continued involvement of tribal entities in implementation of the plan.

The 2040 Plan contains a unified vision, goals, policies and actions developed through a robust and transparent public involvement process. The 2040 Plan was developed to meet Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) regulatory requirements to establish a data-driven, performance-based strategic framework that will guide decision-making at all levels within NMDOT and New Mexico's Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) and Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPO). The Plan will be updated to comply with regulatory requirements in the current transportation authorization, passed in 2015, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act). The 2040 Plan meets the requirements of the federal law (23 USC 135) for each state to develop a long range plan that is based on a wide and diverse stakeholder input which addresses multiple modes of transportation; is statewide in scope; and has a 20-year minimum horizon.

Tom Church, NMDOT Cabinet Secretary, continues to improve government to government working relationships with tribal governments and their representatives in the process of addressing specific concerns and common interests, including his participation in the 2016 State/Tribal Leaders Summit. The current Departmental administration has continued the commitment to the principle of partnership with tribal governments by recognizing, respecting and supporting the unique sovereign status of the tribes and pueblos of New Mexico.

II. AGENCY OVERVIEW / BACKGROUND

The NMDOT's vision, articulated in the new NMTP is *"A safe and sustainable multimodal transportation system that supports a robust economy, fosters healthy communities and protects New Mexico's environment and unique cultural heritage."* The Department's goals are as follow:

1. Operate with Transparency and Accountability
2. Improve Safety and Public Health for All System Users
3. Preserve and Maintain Our Transportation Assets for the Long Term
4. Provide Multimodal Access and Connectivity for Community Prosperity
5. Respect New Mexico's Cultures, Environment, History and Quality of Life

III. AGENCY EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT POLICY

Former NMDOT Cabinet Secretary, Gary Giron formally signed and adopted the State-Tribal Consultation, Collaboration and Communication Policy on December 18, 2009, since that time:

- NMDOT has continued its commitment to the principle of partnership with tribal governments. NMDOT recognizes respects and supports the unique sovereign status of the tribes and pueblos in New Mexico. NMDOT strives to be a national leader in developing government-to-government relations on all matters of transportation in a consultative manner that is respectful of each tribe's culture and traditions.
- In accordance with the provisions of the State Tribal Collaboration Act (STCA) on partnership with tribal governments, NMDOT has, with the assistance of its Tribal Liaison, Ron D. Shutiva, pro-actively consulted with the tribal entities in addressing their transportation needs.

IV. CURRENT AND PLANNED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR AMERICAN INDIANS/ALASKA NATIVES

A. The following is a listing of current programs and services the NMDOT provides to tribal entities as part of the statewide transportation planning program:

Statewide Planning Bureau

The Statewide Planning Bureau oversees compliance with federal and state planning regulations for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and, for the non-metropolitan consultation process, through working with Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs). The Bureau is charged with developing the statewide long range multimodal transportation plan – the 2040 Plan, the Department's Public Involvement Plan (PIP) and the New Mexico Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). The Bureau programs discretionary federal funds, including the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), Recreational Trails Program (RTP), and Congestion, Mitigation and Air Quality - Flexible (CMAQ-Flex). The Bureau houses the Bicycle/Pedestrian/Equestrian (BPE) and TAP Coordinators, and the Scenic Byways Program. The Bureau provides coordination and technical assistance and training to local and tribal governments for local project implementation. The Bureau further develops agreements and monitors funding for local lead projects.

Vacant, Bureau Chief

Government to Government Unit

The Statewide Planning Bureau's Government to Government (GTG) Unit includes: the Planning Liaisons to the State's MPOs and RTPOs; Tribal Liaison; Active Transportation Programs; and the Safety Program including the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

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MPO/RTPO Oversight

The GTG Unit includes Planning Liaisons who oversee the State's 5 MPOs and 7 RTPOs. Tribal entities participate in the statewide transportation planning program through membership in the appropriate MPO and/or RTPO for their area.

Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)

Section 112 of the Federal Highway Act of 1973 and subsequent federal transportation legislation require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) conduct comprehensive transportation planning for metropolitan areas with populations of 50,000 or more. Federal law requires MPOs to develop Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) and long-range transportation plans. New Mexico has five MPOs:

- Farmington (FMPO)
- Santa Fe (SFMPO)
- Albuquerque area (Mid Region, MRMPO)
- Las Cruces (Mesilla Valley, MVMPO)
- El Paso MPO (EPMPO) spans the New Mexico/Texas border to cover the City of Sunland Park in New Mexico; as such, NMDOT coordinates with EPMPO for activities in this region.

Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs)

Regional Transportation Planning Organizations are state-designated entities that orchestrate rural transportation planning. New Mexico has seven RTPOs:

- Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)
- Northern Pueblos Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NPRTPO)
- Northeast Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NERTPO)
- Mid-Region Regional Transportation Planning Organization (MRRTPO)
- South Central Regional Transportation Planning Organization (SCRTPO)
- Southeast Regional Transportation Planning Organization (SERTPO)
- Southwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (SWRTPO)

Each RTPO is comprised of a Policy Committee and a Technical Committee, which sometimes overlap. The RTPO Policy Committee members represent the governmental entities that comprise the RTPO and are authorized to make decisions on their behalf. Technical Committee members are professional staffs who provide technical expertise to the transportation planning process. The tribal entities are provided the opportunity and are active participants as members of MPO and RTPO Policy and Technical Committees within their respective areas.

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RELATED LINKS

- [Planning Procedures Manual](#)
- [MPO/RTPO and Public Involvement Plan \(PIP\)](#)

Native American Tribal Liaison Program

The purpose of the NMDOT Native American Tribal Liaison position is to maintain the government-to-government relations outlined in the [New Mexico State Tribal Relations Act](#) and to assure compliance with the federal tribal coordination requirements. Since the position was created in 2004, the NMDOT has increased its participation and partnership with tribal governments by completing Memoranda of Agreements (MOAs) and Joint Powers Agreements (JPAs) with all of the pueblos and tribal nations in the State. In addition, New Mexico is one of a small number of states that actively support, promote and encourage tribal participation and involvement in the MPO and RTPO statewide transportation planning processes. The NMDOT Tribal Liaison is proactive in conducting outreach, mediating misunderstandings between tribal entities and the NMDOT and building close relationships based on experience and accountability.

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RELATED LINKS

- [Tribal Lands Map](#)
- [Tribal Leader Contact List](#)

Active Transportation Programs

NMDOT's Active Transportation Programs team, part of the Government to Government Unit, includes the Bicycle, Pedestrian Equestrian (BPE) program, Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), Recreational Trails Program (RTP), and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality-Flexible (CMAQ-F) program. These programs are all focused, in at least one capacity, on enhancing the opportunities for New Mexicans to either walk or ride a bicycle for their transportation needs.

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Bicycle, Pedestrian and Equestrian Program

The BPE program serves a general role within NMDOT and the BPE Coordinator serves as resource for NMDOT staff on BPE-related issues, including design recommendations, safety, and educational campaigns. The BPE Coordinator also responds to public inquiries regarding the bicycling environment in New Mexico.

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RELATED LINKS:

- [State Bicycle Guideline map](#)
- [Bicycle Safety Brochure \(English\)](#)
- [Bicycle Safety Brochure \(Spanish\)](#)
- [Equestrian Safety Brochure](#)
- [Pedestrian Safety Brochure \(English\)](#)
- [Pedestrian Safety Brochure \(Spanish\)](#)

Transportation Alternatives Program

The New Mexico Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a Federal-Aid funding program which authorizes community-based projects that expand travel choices and improve the transportation experience for all users by integrating modes and improving the cultural, historic, and environmental aspects of our transportation infrastructure. TAP was a new funding program in MAP-21, and was renewed by Congress in the current FAST Act (referenced as the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Set Aside). TAP funds can generally be used for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure and activities, in addition to other projects, as outlined in the [NMDOT Active Transportation and Recreational Programs Guide](#). Each state's department of transportation administers the program using its own competitive process, in accordance with the law. Approximately every two years, NMDOT coordinates with the state's seven RTPOs and

five MPOs on soliciting TAP applications.

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Recreational Trails Program

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) provides federal funding to eligible entities within New Mexico to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized uses. These Federal transportation funds benefit recreationists who enjoy hiking, bicycling, in-line skating, equestrianism, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, off-road motorcycling, all-terrain vehicle riding, and off-road four-wheel driving. NMDOT is pleased to provide access to funding for quality, diverse recreational trail projects that will improve New Mexicans' quality of life all across the state.

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RELATED LINKS

- [NMDOT Active Transportation and Recreational Programs Guide](#)
- [Tribal/Local Public Agency \(TLPA\) Handbook](#)
- [Project Feasibility Form \(PFF\)](#)
- [Project Identification Form \(PIF\)](#)

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality-Flexible Program

The Congestion Mitigation Air Quality-Flexible Program is a federal funding program that aims to increase air quality by reducing congestion and providing for alternative transportation options, such as bicycling, walking or taking transit. The CMAQ-F Coordinator is responsible for programming the projects in the STIP in coordination with the NMDOT District offices, or other recipients. The Coordinator reviews projects for eligibility, and once obligated, is responsible for federal reporting requirements associated with this funding source.

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Safety Program

The Safety Program consists of the federally required Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and the federally-funded Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) as authorized in MAP-21 and the FAST Act. The SHSP is a statewide coordinated safety plan that provides a comprehensive framework for reducing highway fatalities and incapacitating injuries on all public roads. The HSIP provides funding for safety projects that meet the strategies identified in the SHSP and help the state achieve safety performance measures. Both the SHSP and HSIP require a data-driven, strategic approach that focuses on performance. Approximately \$22 million is available to the NMDOT per federal fiscal year for the HSIP. Eligible entities include NMDOT Districts,

and Tribal and Local Public Agencies (T/LPAs). Application information is distributed by the NMDOT through the MPOs and RTPOs.

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Scenic Byways

Due to MAP-21, the current transportation authorization bill, no new grants are being made under the Scenic Byways Program. NMDOT administers outstanding contracts remaining from SAFETEA-LU and encourages project sponsors to look to state sources of funding for continued sustenance of their programs. In addition, a few eligibilities under Scenic Byways have been rolled into the Transportation Alternatives Program.

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RELATED LINKS

- [Scenic Byways map](#)
- [More Scenic Byways Information](#)

Local Technical Assistance Program

The New Mexico Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) provides local and tribal agencies with a variety of adaptable tools — training events, technology transfer resources, and personalized on-site heavy equipment training to improve their transportation operations. NMLTAP conducts training based on local or tribal needs; Worker/Work Place Safety, Workforce Development, Highway Safety, and Infrastructure Management. LTAP also provides national trainings from the National Highway Institute.

LTAPs nationwide are an important partner of the FHWA “Every Day Counts” (EDC) initiative, designed to identify and deploy innovation aimed at shortening project delivery, enhancing the safety of our roadways, and protecting the environment. [Click here for more information.](#)

The State of New Mexico, under the EDC initiative, established a State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) to bring together stakeholders that represent all market forces to work together and lead innovation in our state transportation program. The NMDOT Tribal Liaison serves on the Council to represent the tribal entities within our state.

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RELATED LINKS

- [Safety Edge](#)
- [Safety Edge Flyer](#)
- [Safety Edge Resources](#)
- [Libraries](#)
- [NMLTAP On-site Training](#)
- [Training](#)
- [Training Partners](#)
- [Resources](#)
- [Organizations](#)
- [Forms](#)

Data Management

The Data Management Bureau provides planning and engineering data to NMDOT staff, FHWA, government, businesses, and the public. The Data Management Bureau oversees:

- **Traffic Data Reporting** which processes all traffic count data, reports monthly to FHWA, provides traffic forecasts to Project Development Engineers (PDEs).
- **Traffic Data Collection** that collects short term traffic counts and maintains permanent count network of 120 sites.
- **Weigh-In Motion** which maintains 16 sites, plans for new sites and upgrades.
- **Roadway Inventory Program** maintains road inventory database, produces HPMS report.

Posted Routes - Legal Description

- [Business Loops](#)
- [FL Routes](#)
- [Frontage Routes](#)
- [Interstate](#)
- [NM Routes](#)
- [US Routes](#)

Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) listings for the Interstate, NM, and US Routes are listed. Please reference the Cover Page for the TIMS Database Listings for interpretation and use of the data. Call 827-5529, 827-5553, or 827-5545 for questions and inquires on any other routes.

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RELATED LINKS

- [2014 ATR Graphs](#)
- [2013 ATR Graphs](#)
- [2012 ATR Graphs](#)
- [2013 Annual Reports](#)
- [2012 Annual Reports](#)
- [2011 Annual Reports](#)
- [ATR and AWAC Map](#)
- [ATR Map Site Reference](#)
- [Cover Page for TIMS Database Listings](#)
- [2014 State Traffic Monitoring Standards](#)
- [Interstate AADT Listing](#)
- [NM AADT Listing](#)
- [US AADT Listing](#)

Other NMDOT Programs and Services

New Mexico DOT Research Library

The Library's mission is to provide information, materials and resources that support the mission, programs, and research of the New Mexico Department of Transportation. The Library supports these programs by acquiring, organizing, managing and preserving the information in its own collections, and offering supportive reference services to the employees of NMDOT, local agencies, federal agencies, US independent nations, contractors and the general public.

North/Central/South Regional Design – Provides assistance with project design and development of Roadway Construction plans.

Drainage Design – Provides assistance for design of erosion protection structures and permitting for EPA Clean Water Act.

Bridge Design – Provides assistance with structural design services.

Pavement Design – Provides assistance with recommendations for pavement and material designs.

Survey and Lands Engineering – Provides assistance with conducting field surveying and acquiring Right of Way verification.

Transit and Rail – Conducts and participates in transit and rail planning activities, administers Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant funds for all rural and small urban transit grants, provides technical assistance and coordination efforts to public and private non-profit transit operators and provides services in all areas of railway operations and concerns.

Traffic Safety – Provides DWI programs-enforcement, media and prevention; Occupant protection-seatbelt enforcement, and car seat clinics; Driver education-teens, driver safety and DWI school; Pedestrian programs; Traffic records-accident records and fatal accidents data; Publications-newsletters, brochures, and Outreach materials.

Aviation – Coordinates a corporation with all public and private agencies and organizations, state, local and federal, to encourage the advancement in aviation in this state; and the division supports and encourages air services to the smaller communities within the State through the Air Service Assistance Program.

B. The following is an abbreviated listing of the past year's highlights involving tribal liaison activities and tribal transportation projects:

I. SIGNIFICANT NMDOT, FHWA AND OTHER STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY PLANNING INITIATIVES AFFECTING TRIBES

County Road 55/Johnson Road improvements - The Twin Lakes Navajo Chapter had acquired capital outlay funding and Tribal Infrastructure Fund (TIF) funding for the County Road 55/Johnson Road Improvements, scope of work is to Chip Seal a 5.6 miles length of dirt road, this is a joint venture with McKinley County to complete the project.

NM 68 - US 64 Alignment Study, Public Information Meeting, April 28, 2016, Taos City Council Chambers, Taos. The meeting covered proposed corridor improvements, which Taos Pueblo members and Town of Taos community members had expressed concerns about the impact to areas outside of the project corridor (La Posta Road to Camino de la Placita). The group misunderstood the study and alternative presented and had interpreted it as a definite plan. However, after much discussion consensus was reached on the following: three lanes with center turning lane; safe places for walking and bike lanes; landscaping; art work added to the project; establishing a gateway to the town of Taos; and the future need to reintroduce a Truck Bypass.

Tribal Planners Roundtable, March 11, 2016, Pueblo of Isleta - The Tribal Liaison participated in the Tribal Planners Roundtable, and presented on establishing a Tribal Transportation Safety Committee to organize a Tribal Safety Summit in 2017.

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Project Working Group- FHWA invited the Tribal Liaison to participate on a tribal transportation planning study to identify the efficiencies, functions and features of successful tribal transportation planning. A final review of the guidebook resulting from the study is under review and once approved, will be provided to tribal governments seeking to improve the efficiency and productivity of their tribal transportation planning programs.

NMDOT Central Region Design/GO ROW, meeting Ref. FW: 6100221 – I-40/Exit 96 Project, Pueblo of Acoma – The Tribal Liaison attended this meeting on January 25, 2016, held at the Acoma Tribal Council Chambers. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss NMDOT's offer and request of acquiring right of way (ROW) required for the construction of I-40/Exit 96 Project, from the Pueblo. The request is to acquire two ROW takes containing approximately 9.5674 acres and six Temporary Construction Permits containing approximately 0.3037 acres. NMDOT made an offer of \$35,750.00 representing just compensation as determined by an appraisal prepared by a qualified

appraiser. The Pueblo reviewed the request and offer and is proposing, an exchange of land. Further discussions will be held to reach a mutual agreement.

NMDOT - Impaired Driving Assessment Strategic Highway Safety Planning, March 2, 2016, Hotel Santa Fe, Santa Fe. - NMDOT State of New Mexico Traffic Safety Division in cooperation with the National Highway Safety Administration (NHTSA) is performing an assessment of the impaired driving program in our State. In recognition of the key role the NMDOT Tribal Liaison has with the tribal entities, the Liaison participated in the assessment and was interviewed by a team of trained experts. The goal of the assessment was to provide an overview of the current program status; identify strengths and weaknesses and provide recommendations for improvements.

Pueblo de Cochiti - SP85 Bridge Project Update meeting, April 5, 2016, Cochiti Pueblo. The pueblo hosted the session to provide status updates for the SP 85 Bridge Project, which included funding update; project agreement status update; project schedule; transfer agreement status update from Central Federal Lands Highway Division (CFLHD)/NMDOT; and discussion on the phased project approach vs. advance construction. A field visit of the project site followed the discussion. The session was well attended by representatives from NMDOT District 3; NMDOT State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Unit; Mid Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MRMPO); South West Region Bureau of Indian Affairs-Department of Transportation (SWRBIA-DOT); Congressional Tribal Liaisons from Udall's and Heinrich's offices; and members of the Cochiti Tribal Council and Administration.

Cerrillos Road/2nd Street Bus Pullout Project Meeting, April 27, 2016, Santa Fe Indian School (SFIS), - Tribal Liaison coordinated and attended this meeting, the purpose of which was to review the 60% design plans. The project is scheduled for construction in 2017. The meeting was attended by the SFIS administrative staff, NMDOT staff from ROW & District 5, Representative of Indian Health Service (IHS) and the City of Santa Fe. Staff of both SFIS and IHS expressed concerns about the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of 2nd Street and Cerrillos Road. City of Santa Fe representative agreed to check timing of the signal lights to adjust for proper pedestrian crossing time. Another concern was for proper turning lanes at that intersection; this concern will be addressed in a bigger project in the near future, however, some adjustments are going to be made with this Bus Pullout project. The project design and plans will need to be shared with the Board of Trustee of SFIS for the approval of the ROW needed for the project.

Laguna Pueblo Tribal Council Meeting, January 8, 2016, Laguna Tribal Council Chambers – At the request of the Pueblo, NMDOT presented on the NM 6 Reconstruction and Bridge replacement project, which is a part of Governor Susana Martinez's Capital Outlay Program, to the tribal council. The focus of the presentation was the NMDOT's proposal for mitigation of ROW impacts to the pueblo. Two aspects of the project will have direct impacts on tribal lands in order to design new horizontal curves to meet Federal standards to bring the road to full capacity. NMDOT's proposal is to conduct all field survey necessary to complete the task and prepare all ROW maps to record all land exchanges. This overall land exchange will be equitable based on an agreed upon third party appraisal by both parties. NMDOT is also committed to completing a re-statement of the NM 6 easement for the total project using monumentation upon project completion. In addition, NMDOT will provide paved turnouts and driveways to existing ROW for egress onto NM 6.

2016 State-Tribal Leaders Summit, June 16-17, 2016, Isleta Casino & Resort - The first day of the summit consisted of a day-long Executive Networking Session, where tribal leaders and their staff had an opportunity to meet with individual State Agencies to network, identify and raise any individual state-tribal issues related with that particular agency. NMDOT met with 12 different tribal groups throughout the day and will coordinate follow up sessions with the tribes and NMDOT's respective Districts and Bureaus. Day two was the actual Summit, attended by Governor Susana Martinez and tribal Leaders for the purpose of addressing the following four topics: Water Rights & Natural Resources, Education, Economic Development, and Health. Governor Martinez had provided opening remarks and had to leave to greet President Obama and the first family at Carlsbad Cravens, therefore, Lt. Gov. John Sanchez was the official State representative to facilitate the state's responses to the presentations and he expressed a commitment to hold quarterly follow-up sessions with appropriate state agency and tribes relative to each area of concern.

II. SIGNIFICANT TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS UNDERWAY WITH NMDOT TRIBAL LIAISON ASSISTANCE

- **Navajo Nation** Intersection of US 64/N 5031CN 5101120
- **Navajo Nation** Shiprock Educational Corridor CN-5100821
- **Laguna Pueblo** IRR inventory update and Bicycle and Pedestrian Route Project coordination with MRRTPO
- **Navajo Nation** Beclabito Chapter CN-5101170 US 64
- **Navajo DOT** and NMDOT District 5/NDOT's HSIP Project continued efforts
- **Zia Pueblo** US 550 – Milepost 17.8 Arroyo Ojito Bridge #7383 Erosion Mitigation Work
- **Zia Pueblo** Tribal Long-Range Transportation/Tribal Safety Plans
- **Zuni Pueblo** Road Easement on NM 53/Road Maintenance
- **Santa Clara Pueblo** NM 30 Phase I Project
- **Santo Domingo Pueblo** TAP Project
- **Isleta Pueblo** Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) 8 Application
- **Isleta Pueblo** Project A 300081/A 300082 Right of Way realignment

III. OTHER TRIBAL OUTREACH PROVIDED BY TRIBAL LIAISON

- **Ohkay Owingeh** – assisted with FY2017 5311 Public rural Transportation
- **Zia Pueblo**- reviewed plans for tribe's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Building
- **Jemez Pueblo** – provided Interim Planning Director resource assistance for Tribal Long Range Transportation Plan (TLRTP) and Tribal Transportation Improvement Program (TTIP)
- **Acoma Pueblo** NMDOT/LTAP - Flagger Certification training preparation for tribe's EDC Initiative - Construction Manager/General Contractor Projects.
- **Cochiti Pueblo** - Coordinated meetings with MRMPO
- **Ohkay Owingeh** – assisted with "Grant of Easement for Right-of-Way"
- **San Felipe Pueblo** – facilitated roadside cleanup Exit 252/NMDOT District 3

- **Sandia Pueblo** – facilitated maintenance agreement along I25 and NM 313/NMDOT District 3
- **Jicarilla Apache Nation** –continued coordination with Jicarilla Apache Nation and NMDOT District 5 regarding speed study requested on US 64, snow removal and increased development pressures on NM 537, and pavement conditions on US 64
- **Laguna Pueblo** - abandonment of frontage road north side I 40 @ 66 Casino
- **Nambe Tribal Council** – received recognition as a resource for working with NMDOT and NPRTPPO
- **Navajo Nation Coordination** – facilitated Global Lighting Agreements for NMDOT Project – Navajo Nation
- **Navajo Nation Northern Agency** – attended Regional Transportation meetings
- **Sanostee Chapter** – assisted with Capital Outlay Project
- **Navajo Eastern Agency** – attended Regional Transportation meetings
- **Navajo Nation DOT** – attended Local Government Road Fund Orientation/Work Session
- **Navajo Nation Gaming Commission** – assisted with Safety issues at the Casino property entrance
- **Shiprock Navajo Chapter/Navajo Nation DOT** – worked on Shiprock Streetlight System
- **Isleta Pueblo** – **obtained** Letter of Support for Isleta Pueblo from Secretary Church's office, Ref. Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant application for the NM 314, NM 45 & NM 317 Roadway Improvements
- **Laguna Pueblo** – assisted Pueblo and Central Region Design on Laguna's Bike and Pedestrian projects, CNs 6100762 & RT60001, requests for extensions and requirements for the additional monies
- **San Felipe and Santa Ana Pueblos** – assisted with Road Signage on NM 313 to determine the proper land boundaries coordination with the pueblos, NMDOT District 3 and the BIA
- **San Ildefonso Pueblo** – continued efforts to complete tribe's SRTS Project/TAP project with North Region Design Center and NMDOT District 5
- **Santa Ana Pueblo** - coordinated with US 550 Safety and Operations Corridor Study, ongoing coordination on US 550 redesign project between the pueblo and NMDOT District 3
- **Santa Clara Pueblo** – organized presentation on North Region Design Center's Bridge Rehabilitation program
- **Pojoaque Pueblo** – organized presentation on North Region Design Center's Bridge Rehabilitation program
- **San Ildefonso Pueblo** - organized presentation on North Region Design Center's Bridge Rehabilitation program
- **Tesuque Pueblo** - organized presentation on North Region Design Center's Bridge Rehabilitation program
- **Santa Clara Pueblo** – assisted with North Region Design Center's NM 30 Phase I – Project Grant of Easement for ROW from the BIA

IV. IN-HOUSE ASSISTANCE AND COORDINATION

- NMDOT Environment Division on ROW issues involving tribal lands
- NMDOT District 2, Local Government Project Specialist and Construction Admin-Ops Manager, introductory meeting, January 29, 2016, with Mescalero Apache Nation President Danny Breuninger
- Assisted NMDOT Deputy Secretary Loren Hatch with scheduling a meeting, January 15, 2016, with Santa Clara Pueblo Governor's office on the ROW issues and Private Driveway Access on NM 369 within the tribal boundaries
- Alaska Regional Models of Cooperation Virtual Peer Exchange Workshop, March 9-10, 2016, co-presentation NMDOT Peer Presentation: Transportation Planning Cooperation with Tribal Governments and Small Communities in New Mexico
- NMDOT-TRAC Project Santa Fe Indian School, NMDOT Research Bureau
- California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans') Native American Liaison Branch, Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) policies
- Research Bureau / TRB Representative – Tribal Transportation issues

C. Tribal participation in State Transportation planning:

The NMDOT Tribal Liaison, Ron D. Shutiva, continues to encourage tribal involvement in the MPO and RTPO planning processes in order to take advantage of opportunities for involvement in the development of MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIPs) and RTPO Regional Transportation Improvement Program Recommendations (RTIPRs) that feed into the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Mr. Shutiva continues to provide assistance in developing procedures and mutual protocols concerning safety, environmental and emergency response measures, and adherence to cultural values. Mr. Shutiva continues to provide technical assistance regarding planning activities and requirements by acting as an intermediary between the tribes, the Bureau of Indian Affairs – Southwest Region Department of Transportation (BIA-SWRDOT), Tribal Technical Assistance Program and other NMDOT divisions and district offices. The Tribal Liaison continues to meet with tribal officials to coordinate tribal and NMDOT communication involving the implementation of local transportation projects.

D. Technical Planning Assistance:

NMDOT's goal for Fiscal Year 2017 pertaining to collaboration with tribal entities is to continue providing technical planning assistance to adequately address the specific unmet needs and concerns of each individual tribe. The Department's Native American Transportation Outreach Program will continue to serve as a liaison between the tribes; the BIA's Regional Department of Transportation Offices; Tribal Technical Assistance Program and NMDOT Divisions and District Offices to ensure tribal participation in all pertinent planning activities and the sharing of data and other information to adequately coordinate services. The Native American Tribal Liaison will continue to meet with tribal officials on a regular basis to coordinate tribal and NMDOT communications regarding the implementation of local transportation-related projects, along with meeting any new requirements established in the FAST Act. The Tribal Liaison will reactivate our Tribal Coordinating Committee (TCC), which was established for the 2040 Plan, to assist

in developing a plan, and setting milestones for organizing a Tribal Safety Summit in FF2017, along with implementation of the New Mexico Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP).

V. TRAINING AND EMPLOYEE NOTIFICATION

A. STCA Training Certification

The training component of the STCA was developed by the State Personnel Office (SPO) and Indian Affairs Department (IAD). Key NMDOT staffs have completed the training; however with the change of staffing, a new training schedule will enable new staff members of NMDOT administration and Districts to receive a certification.

The NMDOT will implement the following to meet its responsibilities under the State-Tribal Collaboration Act:

1. Allocate time during NMDOT's monthly New Employee Orientation for the Department's Tribal Liaison to address employees regarding the provisions of the State-Tribal Collaboration Act;
2. Continue to track current "Diversity Communication in the Workplace" training classes in the Department's training database; and
3. Develop additional training curriculums as needed in lieu of the classes that would ordinarily be provided by SPO, unless such training again becomes available.

In addition, NMDOT will continue to direct its Tribal Liaison to consult with the SPO as needed and appropriate, regarding the training program that the SPO had formerly implemented so successfully.

B. Employee Notification about the STCA

When the new training schedules become available, the NMDOT Training Bureau will prepare a notification list identifying all new NMDOT employees that must complete the training as required by the provisions of the STCA. Act.

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Glossary of Terms and Acronyms

- **(2040 Plan)** 2040 Long Range Multimodal Transportation Plan
- **(AADT)** Annual Average Daily Traffic
- **(ARRA)** American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
- **(BPE)** Bicycle Pedestrian Equestrian
- **(BR)** Bridge Program
- **(CMAQ Flex)** Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Flexible funds
- **(CMAQ)** Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program
- **(FAST)** Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act
- **(HSIP)** Highway Safety Improvement Program
- **(IM)** Interstate Maintenance Program
- **(IRRP)** Indian Reservation Roads Program
- **(LRTP)** Long Range Multimodal Transportation Plan
- **(LTAP)** Local Technical Assistance Program
- **(MAP 21)** Moving Ahead for Progress into the 21st Century
- **(MPO)** Metropolitan Planning Organization
- **(NHS)** National Highway System
- **(PIF)** Project Identification Form
- **(PLH)** Public Lands Highways Program
- **(RTP)** Recreational Trails Program
- **(RTPO)** Regional Transportation Planning Organization
- **(SAFETEA-LU)** Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users
- **(SRTS)** Safe Routes to School
- **(STIP)** State Transportation Improvement Program
- **(STP)** Surface Transportation Program
- **(STP-E)** Surface Transportation Program-Enhancement
- **(TAP)** Transportation Alternatives Program
- **(TIGER)** Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery
- **(TLPTP)** Tribal Long Range Transportation Plan
- **(TPS)** Safety Programs
- **(TPTG)** Transportation Program Technical Group
- **(TTAP)** Tribal Technical Assistance Program
- **(TTIP)** Tribal Transportation Improvement Program
- **(TTP)** Tribal Transportation Program