



Susana Martinez
Governor

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New Transportation Commissioner from Southeast New Mexico

Santa Fe – The New Mexico Transportation Commission is once again complete.

Since April, there has been a vacant spot on the six member commission which decides the department's policy. That all changed on October 18 when Governor Susana Martinez announced that she had appointed Robert Wallach to the position of District 2 (Southeast New Mexico) Commissioner.

"I love the state and want to help out where I can and that's the main reason I'm doing this," Wallach said.

The 56 year-old is a lifelong New Mexican. Wallach lived in Eunice and now resides in Hobbs. He owns and runs Wallach Concrete Inc., which is a family-owned concrete business started by his grandfather 60 years ago. The company has nine plants throughout Southeast New Mexico and West Texas.

"It's important for someone from our industry to be represented because of the transportation requirements we have. We deal with a lot of heavy equipment and need highways that can handle that load," Wallach said. He also owns a ranch and an energy compression business.

The new commissioner was asked to submit his name for the position and said he appreciated Governor Martinez's confidence in him by naming him to the post.

Wallach's job keeps him busy, but that hasn't gotten in the way with his service to his community. He was a member of the Hobbs City Commission and has served on numerous civic organizations over the years. He's been married for 35 years and has three grown children and two grandchildren.

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