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NMDOT Seeks Comments on State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) is giving the public an opportunity to comment on the third amendment to the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) that will serve as a four-year plan for the state's federal aid highway program. The NMDOT has posted the 2012-2015 STIP amendment to the internet asking for public comment until June 21, 2012. In addition, NMDOT will be soliciting final public comment in conjunction with the State Transportation Commission meeting in Las Vegas, on Thursday, June 21, 2012.

The STIP contains proposed road, and bridge projects, and is required under the federal legislation. Projects on the list are on federal and state highways (roads with I, US or NM designations).

The STIP is developed by the NMDOT, working in cooperation with state, local and tribal transportation agencies and regional planning organizations. Projects included in the STIP are funded with a combination of federal, state, and/or local funds. The document is posted on the NMDOT website at <http://dot.state.nm.us/>. The NMDOT STIP Coordinator will take comments via email, at Rebecca.Maes@state.nm.us.

During the State Transportation Commission meeting there will be an allotted time to discuss and comment on the STIP. The meetings are an opportunity for residents of local communities to discuss the proposed list of transportation projects with NMDOT engineers, planners, and the state transportation commission. A sign-in sheet will be available for anyone who wishes to comment.

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